

You'll quickly be able to tell which side is higher and which is lower.

- Give the slope you feel a rating from 1 to 5, with 1 being relatively flat and 5 being severe. The pressure you feel under each foot is your determining factor. If there's more pressure under your right foot, for example, the green for your putt slopes left to right.
- If you've given the slope a 2, hold two fingers in front of your face and align them against the high side of the cup (the left if you felt more pressure under your right foot). If you've given the slope a 4, hold up

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four fingers, etc. Aim your putter at the outside edge of your fingers, and that's your read. For faster greens, hold your fingers closer to your face; on slower greens, use more arm extension.

Since our eyes often play tricks on us for reasons such as depth perception, this method of putting is virtually foolproof because you're "feeling" the break instead of guessing the line based on what you think you see. If you're struggling on the greens, AimPoint Express could be the ticket for putting you on the right path. **SG**

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