





The Resort at Pelican Hill

THE ITALIAN RIVIERA REBORN

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Situated on 504 acres overlooking idyllic protected coastline, an enchanted piece of the Italian Renaissance has been reborn. Exemplifying the vision and values of one of Italy's most influential architects, Andrea Palladio, The Resort at Pelican Hill nestles into the hillside and is one with the landscape. Elegant corniced columns, striking multi-story rotundas, lavish courtyards with flowing fountains, and archways that frame the Pacific Ocean and Catalina Island in the distance set the stage for a timeless escape.

Located in Southern California, between chic Newport Beach and art-centric Laguna Beach, Pelican Hill is just 15 minutes away from John Wayne airport, yet when you step through the striking entryway you'll feel worlds away. A massive domed ceiling supported by pillars reminiscent of ancient Greece gracefully lead past a hand-carved Italian limestone fireplace and age-old tapestries to the centerpiece balcony highlighting expansive views of the immense property and infinite cobalt ocean.

Established as one of the world's finest resorts with Five-Star and Five-Diamond ratings, Pelican Hill offers two styles of accommodations with unparalleled service. Adjacent to the main property, you can vacation in one of the 204 bungalows and guest suites. With luxurious appointments like deep soaking marble tubs, Bose sound systems and private terraces with ocean views, these mini residences offer an intimate ambiance. Ranging in size from 847 to 2,486 square feet, the bungalows provide a lavish and luxurious stay close to all of the other amenities.

For the more discerning guest, Pelican Hill offers a "resort within the resort." With a higher level of privacy, service and indulgence, these two, three, and four bedroom Villas ranging up to 3,581 square feet provide your own ocean home experience complete with a personal butler. In addition to what the bungalows offer, the Villas provide a gourmet kitchen, wine cabinets, wood beam alder ceilings, limestone fireplaces, and a private garage. Villa guests have the exclusive privilege to the Villa Clubhouse

complete with a private dining area, impressive pool, and cabanas with views of the Pacific.

Are all these views making you hungry? Pelican Hill offers a number of dining experiences from Northern Italian to American fare to please every palate and mood. Their signature restaurant, Andrea Ristorante rivals the nation's top Italian restaurants with its Tuscan culinary traditions led by masterful head chef Marco Criscuolo. Here, diners can indulge in handmade pasta from the temperature controlled pasta room, 100-year old aged balsamic vinegar and an impressive wine list.

At the Coliseum Pool & Grill guests can enjoy a more relaxed setting and fresh seasonal fare sourced from the local Irvine Ranch. This family-friendly dining experience overlooks the property's infamous round pool, which is the largest in the world and features 1.1 million hand-cut glass mosaic tiles. With a large selection of seafood dishes, salads and smoothies, diners can enjoy an array of California inspired cuisine in a fun social atmosphere.

If you're looking for something a little more sport centered, the Pelican Grill located within the resort's golf club, offers huge flat screen TVs so you can keep up on the score of your favorite team. The Grill offers dining al fresco on the terrace where you can catch one of the best views of the sunset at the resort. Or if you prefer to be inside, you can watch the masterful culinary team preparing an array of locally sourced foods including seafood and steak dishes in their open display kitchen.

For the golf enthusiast, Pelican Hill offers one of the nation's premier golf clubs. With 36 holes designed by renowned golf architect Tom Fazio, a luxurious clubhouse, masterfully appointed practice facility, and some of the world's best golf instructors, players will be dazzled. The sweeping views of California's Riviera, Tuscan inspired property and of course the Pacific Ocean provides the complete experience to your stay.

