



Festa dell'Autunno

Indulge in the flavors and traditions of Italy during Festa dell'Autunno at the Resort at Pelican Hill in Newport Beach.

Newport Beach's only five-star resort, the Resort at Pelican Hill, provides more than just gourmet dining and luxurious accommodations. As the setting for the three-day Festa dell'Autunno, guests can indulge in Italian traditions and cuisine from Oct. 10 through 12 during this annual festival.

At the festival, guests will have the opportunity to embrace Italian culture as if they were actually in Italy. Starting with a multicourse dinner on the evening of Friday, Oct. 10, participants will enjoy the freshest of autumn ingredients paired with Italian wines at the resort's renowned Andrea Ristorante.

The highlight of the festival is the Italian Street Festa that takes place from noon

to 5 p.m. the next day, where adults and children will experience the traditional celebration of the harvest season. Masked performers and stilt walkers will entertain throughout the display of Italian cars, plein air painters, and chalk artists. During the Street Festa, children will be able to learn traditional Italian dancing, create hand-decorated flags and Venetian masks, and learn the art of pizza making.

The weekend comes to an end Sunday morning at the Under the California Sun Jazz Bruch, where guests can dine while overlooking the ocean and drinking endless prosecco mimosas as a jazz trio performs. If you want to skip one of the festival's meals, there are plenty of other resort dining options such as Piccolo, which offers a variety of Asian and Italian food, or the afternoon tea in the resort's Great Room from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Friday through Sunday.



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PELICAN HILL PANORAMIC VIEW

If you're looking to fill your Saturday morning or Sunday afternoon during the festival, there are also two 18-hole golf courses on the resort property designed by golf course architect Tom Fazio. Both courses, Ocean North and Ocean South, offer the guests views of the Pacific as well as a beautiful contrast as the grassy course drops to the deep chasms that meet the ocean. The South Course also has several holes by the ocean's edge. And if children want to learn how to golf, or if you do, there are lessons and clinics for all ages and skill levels, led by *Golf Magazine's* Top 100 teacher Glenn Deck.

The resort is offering a weekend package that includes two adult tickets to Saturday's Italian Street Festa, two adult tickets to Sunday's Under the California Sun Jazz Brunch, and a bungalow stay along Via Capri, starting at \$775.

About the Resort at Pelican Hill

Pelican Hill sits on 504 acres just off the Pacific Ocean with 128 two-, three- and four-bedroom villas with



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Looking for other things to do and explore in Newport Beach? Here are some other local shops and activities.

- Want to experience the SoCal surfing culture? Head to Almond Surfboards & Designs and take a look at some of the quality hand-shaped surfboards. You can also get a one and a half-hour surfing lesson with Surfari Surf School.
- If you want to have a peaceful afternoon off the resort property, visit Roger's Gardens or Sherman Library and Gardens. You can peruse outdoor furniture at Roger's or read a book or a magazine at the library. Both locations provide a horticultural retreat where you'll have plenty of time to stop and smell the roses.
- If you have younger children or you just want to stop by for the day, Disneyland is only 30 minutes away from the Resort at Pelican Hill.
- To do some shopping and ride a giant Ferris wheel or carousel, drive over to the Irvine Spectrum Center. The shopping center has more than 130 shops and restaurants to keep you busy all day.



PELICAN HILL ITALIAN STREET
FESTA FLAG PERFORMER



BUNGALOW GUEST ROOM

panoramic ocean views that have private terraces, one- and two-car garages, flat-screen TVs, a gourmet kitchen that features a Wolf oven and a Sub-Zero refrigerator, a washer and a dryer, and personal staff that includes a butler, among many other amenities. There are also 204 bungalow guest rooms and suites housed with plasma TVs, a granite wet bar, a refrigerator, a deep soaking tub and separate walk-in shower, and much more.

The resort also boasts a five-star spa with treatments lasting from 15 to 80 minutes. These are not only limited to spa treatments but also extend to hair and nail treatments. An outdoor pool, poolside cabanas to lounge in, and a fitness center are also onsite.

Pelican Hill is a little more than a five-hour drive from Phoenix, or if you want to take the more scenic route by driving up the California coast, it's only 45 minutes more. If you prefer to fly, the flight from Phoenix to Long Beach Airport is just an hour and a half, with a 30-minute drive to the resort.

If you're looking for a fun weekend trip or a weeklong stay, the Resort at Pelican Hill has much to offer families, couples, or a group of friends. Don't miss the opportunity to take part in this delightful cultural experience; otherwise you'll have to wait another year!