

EXPERIENCE HISTORIC COASTAL CALIFORNIA AT CRYSTAL COVE WITH PELICAN HILL'S EXCLUSIVE BEACH EXPERIENCE





Old California is alive and thriving in one of the most beautiful ocean-front nature preserves remaining in Southern California – and it's adjacent to The Resort at Pelican Hill[®]. Along an undeveloped and unspoiled coast, sea birds frolic across 3.5 miles of sandy beach strewn with washed-up driftwood, and quaint, historic cottages take visitors back to a California lifestyle that time has passed by.

The 2,791-acre Crystal Cove State Park and beach invites visitors to stroll along wild stretches of sea shore, explore tide pools, photograph dramatic rock formations and gaze at 80-foot bluffs lapped by the surf. Pelican Hill guests may walk, jog and cycle on miles of multi-use paths that meander through coastal hills and canyons. Swimming, surfing and kayaking are also popular activities in Crystal Cove's calm coastal waters. At the ocean's edge, visitors also enjoy a locals' favorite, The Beachcomber Café, and Crystal Cove's 46 beach cottages, which have been the setting for many Hollywood films.

Historic District

Truly setting it apart from other preserves at the ocean's edge, Crystal Cove's defining feature is a historic district of 46 beach cottages originally built during the 1920s to 1950s. The community of cottages was placed on the National Register of Historic Places for its unique architectural vernacular in 1979, the same year the Irvine Company sold the land to the State of California. California State Parks is currently restoring the Historic District and many of the cottages have already been returned to their original look.

While the beach cottages eventually became popular sets for the filmmakers, Hollywood had already discovered Crystal Cove before any homes were built. The first of the 16 films shot here over the years was the original Treasure Island in 1918, while the last was Beaches in 1988. In between, the cameras rolled for such films as The Sea Wolf in 1920, a remake of Treasure Island in 1934 and The Creator in 1985.

An Exclusive Beach Experience

As part of a partnership with Crystal Cove and The Beachcomber, Pelican Hill® guests can spend a leisurely sunny day on the pristine three-and-a-half mile beach within the stunning seaside nature preserve, complete with personal lounge chairs and umbrellas set up in the sand and special amenities and services. Welcome to the ultimate California outing at the sea: "The Pelican Hill Beach Experience."

Pelican Hill Bungalow and Villa guests enjoy a host of special amenities and services including:

- Round-trip coach service to the beach available daily;
- Complimentary beach bags with towels and bottled water;
- Beach attendants set up complimentary beach chairs and umbrellas on the sand;
- And food and beverage service on the sand, provided by The Beachcomber Café.

Crystal Cove is home to a famous eatery, The Beachcomber Café, located right on the sand with an outdoor tropical-style bar called The Bootlegger. Pelican Hill guests can enjoy a nostalgic breakfast or lunch of California cuisine, featuring everything from organic salads and fish tacos to a Kobe beef burger.