



ABOUT THE INN AT NEWPORT RANCH

"Come stay with us and be a modern-day pioneer." -- Will Jackson, owner

Located three and a half hours north of San Francisco and twenty miles north of the historic town of Mendocino, the newly constructed **Inn at Newport Ranch** is part of a 2,000-acre coastal cattle ranch on the site of the former town of Newport and its lumber chute. With more than a mile of oceanfront, three miles of ridge tops, panoramic coastal views and 20 miles of world class hiking and riding trails through redwoods and along the coast, the ranch is a unique private domain for those enjoying the North Coast's many recreational opportunities and delights, and is an ideal destination for vacations, small conferences, retreats, family reunions, weddings, and special events.

The Inn was designed by renowned architects Dave Sellers and Jim Sanford of Warren, Vermont. The work of both architects focuses on designing and building in harmony with nature, with a special emphasis on custom craftsmanship. The structures have a number of unique architectural features, including a 20-foot-wide walk-in stone fireplace, a building supported by 24 individual redwood trees, from base to cathedral-like ceiling, and a hot tub on top of a water tower that presents commanding views of the surrounding landscape. The hallway in the Main Inn is paneled with redwood boards up to five feet wide, and the living room flooring is 30-inch old growth redwood planks. Some of these boards were milled on the ranch from logs left behind by the old loggers. The use of these natural and local materials honors the bounty of the area, and helps to connect our guests to the landscape.

The architects and owners have created an Inn which celebrates the bounty and beauty of the North Coast. The architecture, while bold, is intimate. The 20-foot-wide walk-in fireplace incorporates stones which weigh several tons and were placed, with the help of a crane, before the walls or roof were built. The exposed rugged beams are connected seamlessly and held in place by wooden pegs and hidden lugs. The structural elements of one of the Inn buildings consists of 24 redwood trees, some of which start in the lower level of the conference room and go up through the first and second floors into the roof beams and cathedral ceiling. These branchless trees, with their bark still on, are almost three feet in diameter and 25 feet tall, and add an enchanted quality to the rooms.

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An architectural feature of the early north coast towns was their water towers, which provided constant water pressure and fire protection. While not necessary today, many of these towers remain as nostalgic icons of the past and, because of their charm, some have been remodeled into guest cottages and stores. The water tower at the Inn at Newport Ranch has a caterer's kitchen below and a hot tub on top, and watching the sun go down from this vantage point is quite special.

Each room has features that incorporate unique architectural elements:

- Paneling and a mantel piece from the original ranch house
- Headboards from single burls and redwood slabs
- Fireplaces with single stone mantels
- A stained-glass entry door depicting a local scene
- Wood floors from antique stadium seats and old beams
- Twenty-foot-long single stone steps and pavers
- Single board doors
- Door knobs, handles and coat hooks made from tree branches, bones and kitchen implements
- A barbeque where all the tables and chairs are single stones
- A dining table for 10 people from a single redwood slab
- A 32-foot banquet table which seats up to 34 people made from a single redwood slab cut into five sections which when used together appear as one board
- Numerous tables made from burls & single boards w/ tree trunks & branches for bases
- A hand carving of the Newport Lumber Chute
- Lamps made from trees
- A bar sink carved into a rock table
- 7 one-ton stone columns set in a 2-acre arc showing the Equinox, Winter solstice and Summer solstice from the western steps of the wrap around porch
- Four Basalt columns at the front gate entrance weighing several tons each
- The wrap around porch provides panoramic views of the Pacific Ocean on the west side and the ranch land and coastal hills on the east side

The four guest rooms and three suites are furnished to provide the ultimate in comfort, and can accommodate up to 18 overnight guests. The rooms are set with various themes and appointments. All rooms will have luxury bath amenities, robes, a hair dryer and an MP3 station.

In the Redwood House, each suite has an LCD flat screen TV, a DVD player, an outdoor terrace or deck, and either an outdoor private hot tub or a private sauna. Each suite also has a small kitchen and an outdoor grill. The Newport Suite is ADA (handicap) accessible as are the common areas of the Main Inn.

The Main Inn guest rooms are small and more intimate. The access to the main living space & guest kitchen are available to all guests, as is the 6-person rooftop hot tub.

Barb's place is the most private room, and has its own small terrace with a seating area and a view of the ocean.

In each building, there is a recreation room with a 60-inch flat screen TV, and computer access is available in Main Inn rec room. The entire property has wireless Internet and telephone service (in the Main Inn) for guest use (calls within the USA are complimentary).

The owner's ocean front vacation home – Sea Drum – is available for rental and can accommodate up to 10 overnights guests. Sea Drum is adjacent to the main property. It has four bedrooms (all with private baths), one of which has two bunks and a double bed. Each room has a private bath. Sea Drum is available for guests when the owner is not in residence.

During their stay, guests will be offered an array of dining options. A complimentary made-to-order breakfast as well as an evening Fireside Happy Hour (which includes complimentary hors d'oeuvres, 1 cocktail, glass of wine or beer per guest, and soft beverages) are offered daily for all guests, and lunch and dinner service are available for an extra charge.

The culinary culture at the Inn at Newport Ranch has been deemed “North Coast seasonally-inspired ranch cuisine.” The Inn sources and serves local ingredients and libations as much as possible, serves only the finest local meats and seafood, and grows many of its own vegetables, herbs, greens and flowers.

Barbecue and picnic sites such as Council Bluff are scattered throughout the property, if our guests would like to enjoy a meal al fresco – next to the ocean, by a stream or on a magical hilltop with a 50-mile panoramic view.

The Inn at Newport Ranch offers horseback riding through a nearby stable, as well as hiking trails, whale watching, and guided ATV adventure safaris along the dramatic coast and ridgetops and through the redwood forests.

The ranch has been under the same family ownership since 1986, and the new Inn is the culmination of the family's dream to share this magnificent property with others.

Open year-round. Rates per night for double occupancy are:

Main Inn

- *Low Season:* Dec - Apr (\$350 - \$450)
- *High Season:* May – Nov (\$375 to \$495)

Redwood House

- *Low Season:* Dec - Apr (\$650 to \$750)
- *High Season:* May – Nov (\$675 to \$775)

Barb's Place

- *Low Season:* Dec - Apr (\$350 to \$375)
- *High Season:* May – Nov (\$375 to \$400)

Sea Drum

- *Low Season:* Dec - Apr (\$1,500)
- *High Season:* May – Nov (\$2,000)

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A stay at the Inn at Newport Ranch includes a made-to-order breakfast, an evening happy hour, access to nearly all of our 2000 acres of majestic coastline and rugged forest, and on-site concierge services.

For more information or to make reservations call 707.962.4818 or visit the website at www.theinnatnewportranch.com.

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