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# Time TOGETHER

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The Latest Addition  
to Our Growing  
Resort Family

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Reviving a Tradition





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# GREETINGS!

Our annual owner magazine, *Time Together*, has traditionally been a collection of the best of all that vacation ownership has to offer, serving as a summary of a year gone by as well as a look ahead. This year, as with nearly every facet of our lives, the magazine has felt much different. As our team set out to provide the same level of informative and entertaining content you have come to expect from us, there was an undeniable sense of a deeper appreciation for so many things, including for you and your families, as we are well aware of how life has dramatically shifted for so many of us.



We pride ourselves in being your trusted partner in forming vacation traditions with your loved ones and are honored you've chosen us to help you create experiences worth sharing year after year. Behind the scenes at each of our resorts, as well as our home (*currently remote*) office, are deeply committed and caring individuals. We're so fortunate to have an incredible team of Associates who comprise our organization and continually seek out ways to add even more value to your vacations. At the heart of all their actions, and what motivates them to show up and give their best every day, is you. It's the smiles on your faces when we welcome you back year after year, the laughs from your kids while watching them grow up, or simply seeing you enjoy your home away from home that you've entrusted to us.

We've been there to ensure your best vacation experiences since day one of managing your resort. Our 30-plus years as an organization were most certainly put to the test this year in meeting some of the most unexpected challenges any of us have ever faced. To overcome those challenges, we worked directly with your Boards to ensure the health of the HOA as well as to even further enhance the well-being of all our Associates, Owners, and Guests. We also partnered with experts in the fields of cleanliness and top hotel management brands to leverage their expertise, which resulted in our Vacation Well Program. Please see all the ways in which we continue to ensure you vacation safely, beginning on page 4.

My hope in sharing this edition of *Time Together* is that it will provide you with a renewed sense of inspiration for the coming year, one in which we look forward to once again spending time together with the people that enrich our lives. On behalf of the entire Grand Pacific Resorts family, we wish you and your family a safe and happy holiday season and a brighter year ahead.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Nigel Lobo'.

Nigel Lobo, RRP. Chief Operating Officer  
Grand Pacific Resorts



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# *Your Health & Safety* IS OUR TOP PRIORITY

With all the changes that have taken place in our world this year, we promised ourselves at the outset to keep the utmost well-being of our Owners, Guests, and Associates at the forefront of our focus.

With your safety remaining our top concern, we continue to enhance our high level of cleaning standards for the well-being of you and your family as you enjoy time together at one of our resorts.

Read on to learn about the specific safety measures we've implemented across all our properties.



## ROOMS SANITIZED & SEALED

Every guestroom undergoes an enhanced cleaning regimen with a supervisor personally verifying its sanitization. A seal sticker on the entry door indicates the room passed inspection and has not been entered since it was cleaned and sanitized.

All surfaces are disinfected, including couches, chairs, beds, and pillows. Dishes and flatware are sealed in the dishwasher, where they have not been touched since the wash cycle ran. Complimentary hand sanitizer is also available in each room.

To ensure the highest level of safety during the cleaning process, many of our resorts have paused our mid-week cleaning services, unless specifically requested. Instead, we now schedule a cleaning day and time. If you require anything in order to make your stay more enjoyable, our Associates will provide a contactless delivery of your items, placing them in a bag outside your door.



## COMMON AREAS ARE SANITIZED & MODIFIED TO BE SPACIOUS

High-traffic areas like the hot tub, pool, fitness center, and lobby are sanitized at the beginning and end of each day, with frequent scheduled mid-day cleanings. You will notice that we have adjusted furniture to maintain social distancing, and all recreational equipment checked out from the front desk will be disinfected after each use. We also encourage you to use the numerous hand sanitizer stations located throughout the resort.



## GOING CONTACTLESS

We have reduced touch points while still keeping you informed and inspired during your stay with us. Our Guest Directory and local area guides have been removed from rooms and are now available as digital magazines. Your pre-arrival and check-in communications will include links to digital resources.

## FRONT DESK

### Check-in

Our goal is to minimize contact while still delivering exceptional service. You will receive an email and phone call prior to check-in with detailed instructions.

We understand some Guests will want to speak directly with someone at the front desk. We ask that if you do need to come into the lobby during check-in that you limit it to one person and leave luggage in your vehicle.

### Check-out

We will email your check-out folio and answer any questions via text or by calling the front desk.

## ASSOCIATE READINESS

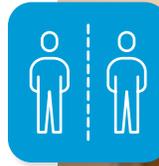
To ensure both our Associate's safety as well as yours, our Associates undergo a health screening process prior to each shift. They are required to use facial coverings as well as practice social distancing guidelines.

Our Housekeeping Associates have also undergone an enhanced training and certification program on a 4-step cleaning process using hospital-grade products and state-of-the-art electrostatic sprayers.

## COURTEOUS CONDUCT

While our spacious accommodations and open natural areas provide for easy social distancing, we are asking all guests to please wear facial coverings and maintain social distance when entering common areas of the resort.

Large gatherings in common areas are not permitted. Should you desire more space to entertain family and friends, we are available to recommend local parks in the area.



## FLEXIBLE CANCELLATIONS

### Rental Guests

As added peace of mind, we offer a full refund on a cancelled reservation up to 7 days from check-in so you can book your trip with ease. As added flexibility, there is no fee to change a reservation up to 7 days from check-in.

### Owners

You may deposit your week with our exclusive exchange network Grand Pacific Exchange (GPX) up to 6 days from check-in by calling (866) 325-6295.

### Exchangers

Please refer to your exchange provider to determine what their cancellation policies are. Policies vary company to company.

## ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATIONS

As our communities continue to move through phases of reopening, we encourage you to support local businesses during your vacation.

Before you travel, please review CDC and State health advisories to confirm eligibility to stay with us. If you are displaying symptoms of COVID-19 or have been in contact with a diagnosed individual, please follow the recommendations of Public Health Officials and stay home.

## FAQS

Find answers to common questions about how we are evolving our response to COVID-19.



[grandpacificresorts.com/vacationwell-faq](https://grandpacificresorts.com/vacationwell-faq)

## RETURN OF THE

# Road Trip



## HOP IN, EVERYONE!

Perhaps you associate the road trips of your youth with hours spent cramped in the car, fighting with your siblings over who got the window seat while asking “are we there yet” no less than a million times.

Regardless of the degree of fondness (or lack thereof) with which you recall these family vacations, the all-American road trip is quickly making a resurgence. With flying currently off the table for many vacationers, huge numbers of travelers are now opting for drivable destinations instead.

With its widely varied and breathtaking scenery coupled with mild weather, California features some of the best stretches of open road. Whether you want to lay on a beach, watch a desert sunrise, or rejuvenate in the mountains, the Golden State really does have it all.

## SAFETY FIRST ALWAYS

It’s important to be smart in order to remain healthy, even while on a road trip in your own car. On top of the established health guidelines such as wearing a mask, washing your hands, and maintaining distance, there are additional steps you can take in order to stay safe on the road.

# 5 ROAD TRIP TIPS:

- 1 PACK MORE** than enough hand sanitizer and wipes, using both often and freely to wipe down your door handles, car keys, and steering wheel.
- 2 WHEN REFUELING** at a gas station, use a paper towel or some other barrier to grab the pump if possible.
- 3 PUBLIC RESTROOMS** are closed in certain areas, so take advantage of the open ones when you can!
- 4 PAY BY CARD** whenever possible, and if not, place your money on the counter rather than hand it directly to the cashier.
- 5 TAKE CARE** of any car maintenance such as oil and tire pressure checks before you head out since roadside services may be limited in some areas.





## ENJOY THE JOURNEY:

As they say, half the fun is getting there.

Although we all have gadgets on hand 24/7, why not revive vintage road trip entertainment as well? After all, a big part of being on the road is bonding with your passengers.

### Check out the following road trip entertainment suggestions, both classic and new:

- Pick a random roadside attraction to visit in each town. An old ghost town? The country's largest thermometer? A prairie dog sanctuary? Yes to all, because why not?
- Play "*I spy*" using the letters of the alphabet. For example, one person has to spot a road sign with the letter "A," then the next person has to spot a "B," and so on. It's harder than it sounds!
- Create your own version of "*Carpool Karaoke*," alternating between everyone's favorite tunes. Film them for some hilarious memories to look back on.
- Play "*20 Questions*" or "*Would You Rather*" then prepare for the brain teasers and laughs that will ensue!
- At stop lights in remote areas, see how many times a person can run around the car before the light turns green again — great for older kids, and please only do so if it's safe.
- Listen to podcasts or books on tape — a fun and educational way to pass the time on particularly long stretches of road! Podcasts the whole family will love: "**Wow in the World**" [🔗 \(npr.org/podcasts/510321/wow-in-the-world\)](https://www.npr.org/podcasts/510321/wow-in-the-world) and "**Storynory**" [🔗 \(storynory.com\)](https://www.storynory.com).

Wherever the open road takes you, we hope it's filled with fun, adventure, and fond memories that will last you and your loved ones a lifetime!



# You Spoke, We Acted

This is usually the section where we showcase how we've put your feedback from our prior issue of *Time Together* into action. Much like the past year took an abrupt and unexpected turn, so did our plans and efforts for it. So instead, we will use this opportunity to spotlight all the ways you've shared with us on how you're Going Green when you go on vacation.



We included **several articles** [e \(issuu.com/grandpacificresorts/docs/timetogether\\_dec2019/50\)](https://issuu.com/grandpacificresorts/docs/timetogether_dec2019/50) around sustainability in our last issue, and with all that has taken place in our world this year, it continues to remain at the forefront of our focus. Read on for the various ways in which Owners are committing to support sustainability, including tips and tricks on how we can all help make the world a cleaner place.



## WATER WISE

We fill up reusable water bottles from the faucet in Lake Tahoe, where the water is great. At Southern California Beach Club, we fill them from the 2nd floor water dispenser.

— Crystal C.



## BAGS & BUYS

We use silicone zip lock bags, which are washable and reusable. We also attempt to buy produce from farmers markets whenever possible.

— Celeste J.



## SMART SIPS

We bought stainless steel straws.

— Gary G.



**Stainless Steel Straws**  
[simplystraws.com/collections/straws](https://simplystraws.com/collections/straws)



## IT'S IN THE BAG

We started buying reusable grocery bags when we travel, which we use at home and are fun reminders of our travels.

— Sandra J.

### Editor's Note:

We love this idea — kind of like a modern-day, eco-friendly postcard!



## GOING GLASS

On a daily basis, we now use glass for all our food storage as a rule.

— PJ S.



## BATH HACKS

I bring all my own toiletries and use my bath towel more than once.

— Tina E.



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## LOOKING AHEAD

I would like to see more on how to best manage long-term, multi-generational ownership, including passing down to heirs that are happy to continue the ownership experience.

— Kerry G.

*You're in luck! This has been an ongoing focus of ours as well. Please see page 39 of this issue and check our website for more info.*

## GPX TUTORIAL

I'm hoping to get more in depth information on a few GPX resorts, including things to do, specifics on how to exchange, etc.

— Bonnie W.

*We hear you and are here for you. The Ownership world can be somewhat confusing to navigate at times, especially when additional perks are available. Please see page 41 of this issue to get some of your questions answered and also visit [GPX.com](http://GPX.com) for more specifics.*

## DANA POINT LOVE

The article about Dana Point was great and enticing. As a new owner at Channel Island Shores, we will be checking it out.

— Barbara K.

*Glad to hear it! Happy exploring and welcome to the Grand Pacific Resorts family!*



### DIGITAL AGE

I'm glad to see the resorts are going digital with a lot of their communications to help save paper. I try to do the same with most of my mail.

— Kevin S.



### LIGHTS OUT

I use far less electricity these days. The lights are off in any room I'm not currently in.

— Ellin H.



### POWDER POWER

I'm now buying powdered detergent in a box rather than as individually packaged pods.

— Jeri B.



### CLEAN UP CREW

I often walk along the beach to pick up any plastic I see laying around.

— Albert O.

# Welcome

## TAHOE SANDS RESORT!

*Grand Pacific Resorts is thrilled to announce the addition of Tahoe Sands Resort to our growing family of managed resorts.*





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LAKE TAHOE

Perched on the sunny side of Tahoe's North Shore and conveniently located in Tahoe Vista, Tahoe Sands spans four acres of pristine lakefront property and features an expansive private beach along with stunning water views. Suites are available as studios or one- and two-bedroom stand-alone cottages either facing the lake or tucked away in the property's wooded area.

Tahoe Sands is ideal for outdoor enthusiasts, offering direct access to a private beach on the lake and located just a few miles from world-class hiking and biking trails as well as many of the major Tahoe area ski resorts.

*We can't wait for you all to experience it!*



[tahoesandsresort.com](http://tahoesandsresort.com)

**BUZZ & MARIA:**

# *At the Peak of Ownership*



No stranger to Ownership, Buzz W. owns at two properties managed by Grand Pacific Resorts: Carlsbad Seapointe Resort and Carlsbad Inn Beach Hotel & Resort.



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[www.grandpacificresorts.com/resorts](http://www.grandpacificresorts.com/resorts)



## CHANGE OF SCENERY

One recent weekend, Buzz and his lovely wife Maria decided to swap their typical sea views for some desert sand through our exchange program **GPX** [@ \(gpxvacations.com\)](https://gpxvacations.com), and the couple embarked on a fun and relaxing weekend in the Palm Springs area.

## DESERT PLAYGROUND

Buzz and Maria enjoy the desert, especially between the months of October and May, when temperatures are on average a pleasant 79 degrees.

When they're not lounging poolside or sipping wine and sampling a charcuterie board on their private patio, they're typically dining at one of the many fantastic outdoor restaurants in the area.

They've also taken the **Palm Springs Aerial Tram** [@ \(pstramway.com\)](https://pstramway.com) and were stunned by the drastic temperature change. It started off at 75 degrees before quickly dropping down to 30 at the top. Not to mention, they arrived right after a giant snow storm so they were freezing! Even though the couple was fascinated by the whole experience, they were grateful to be able to leave

the mountain behind and head back towards the warmth.

Buzz's ultimate exhilarating desert activity? Cruising through nearby Joshua Tree National Park on his motorcycle while the desert flowers are in full bloom during the spring.

## PARTIAL TO TIMESHARE

A self-professed "road warrior" for most of his life, Buzz said he'd much rather stay in timeshare properties.

"After traveling for business for close to 30 years, hotel rooms remind me of work and don't offer all the comforts I want on a vacation," Buzz said. "Timeshare properties feel much more like home, and they provide me and my family with way more relaxing accommodations whenever we go on a trip."

And after owning with Grand Pacific Resorts for the past decade, Buzz feels like he has a good understanding for how to make the most of his Ownership.

His advice for other Owners is to take some time to really learn how Owner benefits work, and leave room for flexibility in your travel schedule, especially as everyone is adapting to these changing times.



## SAFETY FIRST

Buzz has traveled rather extensively, even throughout the pandemic, and he reported feeling perfectly comfortable staying at both of his home resorts and at a partner timeshare property.

“Everywhere I’ve stayed has similar protocols in place like smaller capacities and everything being frequently sanitized, and all guidelines are being followed,” he said.

## LOOKING AHEAD

Buzz purchased his Ownership with his son in mind and the possibility of one day passing it down to him, but he knows that is a conversation he will need to have with his son in the coming years.

Although Buzz is planning to retire within the next five years, he says the vacations are just beginning.

“I’m hoping my travels will take me even further,” he said. “I’d like to drive across the country and use GPX to discover new places.”

We’ll see you out there, guys!



# It's a Date!

## Do you prefer Blondes or Brunettes?

Mr. Floyd Shields, founder of Shields Date Garden in 1924, simply couldn't choose between the two and loved them both equally.



A true date pioneer, Mr. Shields discovered how to breed his own rare varieties, such the famous "Blonde" and "Brunette" dates, grown exclusively at Shields Date Garden and nowhere else in the entire world. He also invented the Date Crystal, a proprietary dry blend product that can be used in cooking, cold cereal, and in the mouth-wateringly famous date shake.

To this day, Shield Date Garden still adheres to its original date growing practices, cultivating the fruit without using any chemical fertilizers, pesticides, or preservatives. So whenever you bite into a Shields date, you are getting an entirely natural treat that contains no fat or sodium and is rich in potassium.

However, if healthy snacking is not your main concern (you are on vacation, after all), do not even think about leaving the premises without trying a date shake first! You're welcome.



**Shields Date Garden**  
shieldsdategarden.com





# From Cactus to Clouds

## TALK ABOUT A QUICK SWITCH-UP!

Embark on a vertical 2.5 mile journey up the side of a mountain from the inside of a tram car that takes you through five different ecological zones in the span of 10 minutes.

The Palm Springs Aerial Tramway transports you from the hot and dry desert floor to the cool, pine-filled mountains with its slowly rotating tram cars allowing you to take in 360-degree bird's eye views as you make your way up.

Once you've arrived at the top – at an elevation 8,516 feet and 30 degrees cooler – take in vistas that stretch as far as the eye can see, hike over 50 miles through the alpine forests, including along the Pacific Crest Trail, or visit the natural history museum full of local displays.

After working up an appetite, enjoy a meal at the tram's fine dining Forest View Restaurant or the more casual Pines Café.

You can also try snowshoeing or cross-county skiing in the winter if the conditions allow.



 **Palm Springs Aerial Tram**  
pstramway.com



## TRAM TIP:

Swap your flip flops for sneakers and tank tops for jackets for once you get to the top!



# Joshua Tree National Park

Roughly 40 miles northeast of Palm Springs lies a vast wilderness filled with geologic wonder, distinct wildlife, and tree-sized yucca plants.

This arid region lies at the intersection of the Colorado and Mojave deserts, joining two ecosystems in 794,000 acres of surreal rock formations, spectacular night skies, and a rich cultural history — all set against a stark backdrop.

Start your trip at the visitor center for a quick geology lesson, then pick up a free brochure that maps out a **driving tour of the park** [🔗 \(nps.gov/jotr/planyourvisit/geology-motor-tour.htm\)](https://nps.gov/jotr/planyourvisit/geology-motor-tour.htm). Once you're on your way, be sure to leave plenty of time for the multiple turnouts and nature trails along the way.

Venture out on the short scenic walks to famed Skull Rock and Arch Rock, and make sure to keep an eye out for wildlife like bighorn sheep! Another worthwhile stop is the Cholla Cactus Garden.

If adventure is what you're after, spend the day hiking and rock climbing followed by a night of stargazing, with the clear desert skies offering

breathtaking views of the Milky Way not seen anywhere else.

Please check the **park website** [🔗 \(nps.gov/aboutus/news/public-health-update.htm\)](https://nps.gov/aboutus/news/public-health-update.htm) for the latest public health updates.

## FUN FACT:

The mystical quality of this sprawling landscape has inspired several artists, perhaps most famously the band U2, who titled their hit 1987 album after the area. The band was touring through the Southwest when lead singer Bono discovered the hardy and twisted desert plant. Once he learned of its religious significance (early Mormon settlers named the plant after their prophet Joshua), he declared the album should be titled *The Joshua Tree*. And the rest is Rock and Roll Hall of Fame history!



# OASIS IN THE DESERT

When you think of the desert, images of a plunging waterfall don't typically come to mind. However, not far from the Palm Springs strip, lies one of the area's best kept secrets: a rushing creek carving its way through rugged canyons and culminating in a spectacular 60-foot waterfall!

Head out on a self-guided or ranger-led hike of Tahquitz Palm Springs Canyon, one of the most beautiful and culturally rich areas of the Agua Caliente Band of the Cahuilla Native Americans, which remains sacred to the Cahuilla people to this day.

The hike is a fairly steep 2-mile loop over rocky trails out to the falls and back. Pack a picnic, hiking boots, and plenty of water!



 **Tahquitz Palm Springs Canyon**  
tahquitzcanyon.com



 **Moorten Botanical Garden**  
moortenbotanicalgarden.com

# A WILDERNESS WONDERLAND

One fine day in 1938, the Moorten family decided to turn their property into a living desert museum.

Today, their son Clark Moorten is keeping his family's legacy alive, blending spectacle with tradition in the Moorten Botanical Garden, which is now home to over 3,000 varieties of desert plants arranged according to their habitat along a nature trail.

Between the 20 foot cacti, crystals, and ancient

fossils, there is something for everyone in this desert delight.

If you visit, be sure not to miss the "Cactarium" (a term coined by the Moortens), a giant terrarium filled to the brim with rare cacti varieties seen nowhere else.

And if you're lucky, Mr. Moorten himself may be waiting to greet you at the entrance.

# CHEEKY'S

palm springs



# COME HUNGRY, *Leave Happy*

**No matter what you do in Palm Springs, make sure to bring your appetite!  
Some of the best food this side of the desert is here.**

## CHEEKY'S

Start your day off right with an outdoor brunch at Cheeky's, a Palm Springs institution featuring some of the most creative breakfast dishes in the desert. A frequently changing menu consists of unique and locally-sourced farm-to-table cuisine. Come for the "World Famous Bacon Flight", stay for the mouth-watering cinnamon rolls. You can thank us later.

**HOURS: Wednesday-Monday 8 a.m.- 2 p.m.**  
*Reservations strongly encouraged.*



## TKB BAKERY & DELI

When you walk into this unassuming bakery and deli in Indio, you likely won't come out until you've picked up one of everything. Serving breakfast, lunch, "Coachella Valley's best sandwiches", and a delectable array of baked goods, TKB has made Yelp's "Top Places to Eat At Before You Die" list multiple times... that ought to tell you something.

**HOURS: Wednesday-Saturday 8 a.m.- 6 p.m.**  
*Phone and online orders available.*



## CHEF TANYA'S KITCHEN

A true hole-in-the-wall located slightly off the beaten path, don't let the exterior of Chef Tanya's Kitchen fool you. What began as a warehouse for house-made ingredients has expanded into a popular plant-based eatery serving delicious vegetarian plates. Pop in for fresh ingredients or to sit down for lunch — then marvel at how you'll start to rethink vegan food.

**HOURS:** Monday-Sunday 11 a.m.- 8 p.m.  
*Take out and catering available.*



**Chef Tanya's Kitchen**  
cheftanyaskitchen.com



## SPENCER'S

If fine dining is what you're in the mood for, look no further than Spencer's. This Palm Springs staple features an upscale menu with a fresh approach to classic American cuisine and served in an elegantly stylish ambiance, including a spectacular outdoor patio. Spencer's has won Best Outdoor Dining, Best Chef, and Most Romantic Restaurant in Palm Springs.

*Check Spencer's website for current days and hours.*



**Spencer's**  
spencersrestaurant.com



## KREEM

Because we all scream for ice KREEM. This adorable small-batch ice cream shop offers flavors like s'mores and lemon merengue pie and also makes everything in-house, using only natural and organic ingredients. Did we mention it also has an exterior you'll definitely want to take pictures in front of? Make it a double scoop, snap a few pics, and call it a (good) day.

**HOURS:** Sunday-Thursday 12 p.m.-8 p.m.  
Friday & Saturday 12 p.m.-9 p.m.  
Closed Tuesdays  
*Gift cards available.*



**KREEM**  
ilovekreem.com





 **Palm Springs Retailers**  
[visitgreaterpalmsprings.com/things-to-do/shopping](https://visitgreaterpalmsprings.com/things-to-do/shopping)

# Shop TIL YOU DROP

From local designer boutiques to art deco galleries to fun retro finds, the Palm Springs area is truly a shopper's paradise.

Downtown Palm Springs is where you'll discover shops with everything from top contemporary brands to designer resort wear. North Palm Canyon Drive is the core shopping district, buzzing with unique and trendy finds, including all things retro like couture vintage jewelry, mid-century life in paintings, and even record players.

We've only provided you with a tiny sneak peak of this shopping treasure trove! See a full list of **Palm Springs retailers** at  ([visitgreaterpalmsprings.com/things-to-do/shopping](https://visitgreaterpalmsprings.com/things-to-do/shopping)). Before starting your spree, check which stores are **open**  ([visitpalmsprings.com/whats-open-and-whats-not/](https://visitpalmsprings.com/whats-open-and-whats-not/)).

# CERTIFIED *Delicious*

The Coachella Valley Certified Farmers Markets bring the best of local farmers, vendors, and the Palm Springs community together in a weekly gathering that celebrates the importance of fresh produce, nutrition, and sustainability.

All outdoor markets across the Coachella Valley are now open and feature California-sourced farm fresh fruits and vegetables along with artisanal food products of every variety.

Feast your senses as you partake in herbs, cheese, pastries, honey, nuts, eggs, olive oil, chocolate, soap, fresh cut flowers, and live music. Then take your farmers market finds back to your condo where you can whip up something delicious in your condo's fully-equipped kitchen!



# LOCAL MARKETS

## Palm Springs

**October-May**

Saturdays 8:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

2300 E Baristo Rd.

Adjacent to the Camelot Theaters

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## La Quinta

**October-April**

Sundays 8:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

78100 Main St.

In Old Town LQ off Calle Tampico

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## Palm Desert

**October-April**

Wednesdays 8:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

72559 Highway 111

Chamber of Commerce



**Coachella Valley Certified Farmers Markets**

[www.certifiedfarmersmarkets.org](http://www.certifiedfarmersmarkets.org)

# TABLE *Talk*

*We are all navigating uncertain times and lots of change these days. Some cheerful holiday-themed goodies are most certainly in order!*



 Experience It!  
[youtu.be/85gd1Nbqy9A](https://youtu.be/85gd1Nbqy9A)



## ICED CHOCOLATE PEPPERMINT FRAPPE

A fun holiday drink for those not-so-cold winter nights at the beach or in the desert! Make as “festive” as you like.

### INGREDIENTS:

- 4 round ½ ounce peppermint candies
- 4 ounces peppermint flavor liqueur
- 2 cups cold milk or milk alternative
- 1 pint frozen coffee OR chocolate yogurt
- ½ cup chocolate syrup
- Peppermint sticks for garnish
- Vodka for the “grown up” version

### STEPS:

1. Place peppermint candies in a blender and whirl until they’re pulverized.
2. Add frozen yogurt, milk (or alternative), and chocolate syrup.
3. Whirl until smooth.
4. Pour into 4 glasses.
5. Garnish with peppermint sticks.

## DATE BANANA BREAD

Inspired by Palm Springs and providing a twist on the banana bread baking craze of this past year, this recipe is perfect for the cozier months. Pairs perfectly with your peppermint drink!

### INGREDIENTS:

- 4 ripe bananas
- 4 eggs
- 2 cups flour
- 2 cups baking soda
- 1 ½ tsp vanilla extract
- 1 ½ cups brown sugar
- 1 cup chopped dates
- 1 cup of cooked quick-cooking oats
- 1 tsp salt
- ¾ cup chopped nuts
- ¾ cup shortening

### STEPS:

1. Combine bananas and vanilla extract then set aside.
2. Beat shortening with mixer at medium speed until fluffy. Add sugar gradually.
3. Add eggs to mixture one a time, mixing thoroughly.
4. Combine flour, baking soda, and salt then make a dip in the center.
5. Add shortening and banana mixture, stirring just enough to moisten ingredients.
6. Stir in nuts, dates, and oats.
7. Place mixture in greased loaf pans and bake at 350 for 1 hour.

# Palm Springs Stays

## FOR EVERY STYLE

*From affordable to luxury, we offer accommodation options for every travel taste.*





# INDIAN PALMS VACATION CLUB

This desert vacation home nestled in a serene Indio community is just a short drive away from the best of Palm Springs. It provides all the creature comforts of a two-bedroom condo, including a full kitchen, private patio, and spacious living area with a full dining room, plush sofa, and flat screen TV. Enjoy resort amenities like the BBQ and pool area. Book your stay at Indian Palms Vacation Club today.





**Palm Canyon Resort**  
[gpxvacations.com/resort-profile/?resort=1397](https://gpxvacations.com/resort-profile/?resort=1397)



## PALM CANYON RESORT

Tucked away in the rugged beauty of Palm Springs, this oasis resort features plush condos ranging from studio-sized suites to 3-bedroom villas with fully-appointed kitchens, private balconies, and roll-in shower options. It features amenities for everyone, from rejuvenating spa treatments to pool waterslides to a well-equipped fitness center for your maximum comfort and relaxation. Book a stay at Palm Canyon Resort through GPX.





# EMBARC

This luxury resort unites Palm Desert's natural beauty with opulent indoor-outdoor living. Elegant vacation homes are housed in two-story haciendas featuring private patios with outdoor fireplaces facing majestic mountain views. Although primarily known as a golf destination, the resort also features adult-only outdoor pools and hot tubs, two tennis courts, a mini basketball court, and multiple BBQ areas. Stay at Embarc through GPX.



 **Embarc**  
[gpxvacations.com/resort-profile/?resort=3635](https://gpxvacations.com/resort-profile/?resort=3635)

# SoCal Comfort:

## Spotlight on Channel Island Shores

Discover Channel Island Shores, where home-away-from-home like accommodations sit just steps from the beach and are a short drive away from Santa Barbara, Los Angeles, and the bon voyage point to Channel Islands National Park!

Relax in your spacious condo or fire up the barbecue after kayaking the local harbor and building sand castles on the secluded beach.

Comfy suites are available in one and two bedroom floor plans that open into a spacious kitchen and living space. Some suites even come with private hot tubs on the patio!



[channelislandshores.net](http://channelislandshores.net)



# YOU ASK, WE ANSWER

**ALWAYS A CALL AWAY (888) 477-6967**

Monday – Saturday 8:00 am to 5:00 pm Pacific



## UNCERTAIN TIMES

**I think everyone could probably use a vacation right about now. However, how can I book and still have peace of mind in the event that I need to cancel? – Ana W**

We completely understand the need for extra flexibility right now, and we want you to know you have options so you can book with confidence! We accept reservation cancellations or modifications up to 7 days before your check-in date. We also offer a late deposit option for your use week. You can also bank your week to use for next year, convert it into savings credits, or even gift it to family or friends or donate it to charity.



## RESERVATION NAME CHANGE

**If I decide to gift my week to someone else and need to change the name on the reservation, how far in advance prior to their arrival should I make sure to do that?** – Kristine F

If you'd like to gift your week to somebody else, go to [www.GPXVacations.com](http://www.GPXVacations.com), select the week you'd like to gift, then update the guest information when you go to book. If you'd like to gift an existing reservation that's already in your name, please call a Vacation Specialist at (866) 325-6295 to modify the guest information. You have up to 7 days prior to the check-in date to make a change to the guest name for \$49.



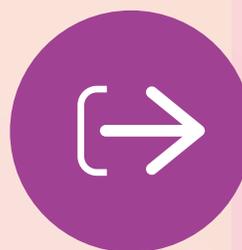
## FUTURE PLANS

**With everything so uncertain these days, how can I still make future vacation plans?** – Mike O

We understand it is definitely a challenge to make advance plans right now. However, we also know that booking a vacation ahead of time will not only give you a trip to look forward to, but will also help ensure availability during your use week for your best vacation experience. Just know that we've got you covered with a variety of flexible cancellation or modification options should your plans change.



# Exit Smart, Exit Safe



We love having you as an Owner with us. We know that your Ownership provides you with a familiar home-away-from-home and much-needed getaway, especially during these uncertain times. However, if you feel you are ready to explore options outside of your use week, we are here to help keep you informed as well as answer any questions you may have.

As your management company, we feel it is our responsibility to make you aware of recent false claims promising to release you of your Ownership. Unfortunately, there are some people out there who are taking advantage of Owners looking to exit their Ownership. They often require a significant upfront deposit before disappearing with no intention of delivering on their claims.

**ARDA-ROC, the national timeshare advocacy group**  ([responsibleexit.com](https://responsibleexit.com)), along with State Attorney Generals are doing everything possible to identify and shut down these operations. However, we also want to educate you so that you can be aware and stay safe.

## LEARN MORE!

We will be continuously updating our website with information and resources. No matter what situation you currently find yourself in, we are here for you. In the meantime, please watch these videos for more information:



### PART 1

Exchanging Options  
[youtu.be/2E8Q9XboUiA](https://youtu.be/2E8Q9XboUiA)



### PART 2

Handing Down Your Ownership  
[youtu.be/NABzEINrsl](https://youtu.be/NABzEINrsl)



### PART 3

Selling Your Ownership  
[youtu.be/1S-3I7NRirc](https://youtu.be/1S-3I7NRirc)



### PART 4

Questions About Maintenance Fees  
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## SITUATIONS TO LOOK OUT FOR

### A few things to be mindful of while considering your different Ownership transfer options:

- 1. Nonexistent Buyers:** In this scenario, someone will contact you out of nowhere and claim to have a buyer already waiting, but they will first ask you for the funds to close the sale. It's important to know that a legitimate resale agency will never reach out unsolicited, plus buyers are who pay for transfer fees and commissions, not Owners.
- 2. Fake Resale Agents:** Sometimes people will attempt to pass themselves off as employees of credible resale companies. They, too, will request upfront fees, which is always a tip-off that something could be amiss. We recommend you make sure the company they claim to work for exists, then ensure they actually work at that company by calling them.
- 3. Crooked Exit Lawyers:** In this case, "lawyers" falsely promise to help you "get out of" Ownership. They charge thousands of dollars for their "services" and attempt to scare you by portraying a tough resale market. It is important to note that there is never any reason for you to shell out a hefty sum when reputable companies market your timeshare for you.

## RESOURCES FOR COMMON REASONS SCAMMERS CONVINCING YOU TO EXIT

- 1. You Want to Vacation Beyond Your Home Resort:** There are plenty of options to choose from with Grand Pacific Exchange, where the value of your use-week is applied towards a vacation, plus there is no membership fee. Visit **GPXvacations.com** or contact a Vacation Specialist at (866) 325-6295.
- 2. Your Ownership and/or Maintenance Fees are Complicated:** Just like every Owner circumstance is unique, so is your use-week. If you have questions about your Owner Use Week, we are a phone call away at (888) 477-6967 to provide you with some resources for your Use Week options. If your inquiry is specifically about your maintenance fee, please call (877) 566-7519 to speak with an Account Loyalty Specialist.
- 3. Handing Down Your Ownership:** If you would like to pass down your Ownership, please contact our in-house partner, Advanced Financial Company (AFC), at (800) 234-6222. They handle title transfers and will provide you with the resources to complete your transfer of Ownership.
- 4. Selling Your Ownership:** Our in-house resale partner, Legacy, *handles select weeks at select properties* managed by Grand Pacific Resorts. If you are an Owner at one of these **select resorts**,  ([vacation-resales.com/resorts](http://vacation-resales.com/resorts)) we suggest calling (800) 940-0068. If you already have a buyer and are ready to complete the title transfer, contact AFC at (800) 234-6222.

If you feel as though you've been taken advantage of in any way, immediately contact ARDA-ROC at (800) 515-3734 or the Attorney General's office at (202) 514-2000 to report the incident.



**TAKING YOUR**  
*Vacations*  
**EVEN FURTHER**

As an Owner with Grand Pacific Resorts, you have exclusive access to our internal exchange network, GPX, where you can enjoy all kinds of incredible perks without any of the membership fees. On top of the ability to exchange your week at low rates, gift your week to family and friends, or request a specific resort or destination, we've added several more incredible benefits to help you take your vacations even further.

**GPX**  
gpxvacations.com

## THE TIME FOR A VACATION IS...NOW!

Since vacations are what we'd all like more of these days, with GPX you can vacation more for less, even when you decide to travel at the last minute. As an Insider, you're able to exchange your week for just **\$69** on select weeks, or discover hundreds of select rental weeks for just **\$399**, allowing you to affordably kick back and relax more often!



## FLEX BOOKING

We understand that plans change and flexibility is more important than ever right now. While our standard cancellation policy still applies, for **\$29** you can add flex booking to your exchange and cancel up to one week before your check-in date for your total peace of mind.

# GPX





Learn More!  
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# GPX

## Beyond Exchange

**(SNEAK PEEK!)**

# WHAT'S NEW

## GPX NIGHTLY GETAWAYS

For whenever you want to simply get away for a night or two rather than an entire week, or if you'd like to extend your use week by booking a few extra days, GPX gives you exclusive access to nightly rentals in hundreds of destinations at ideal rates.

Simply sign into GPX to instantly view all the available options for your next getaway!

## GPX PERKS *(COMING IN 2021)*

From flights to rental cars to gift cards (including a trip to the spa!), GPX now features an even greater array of perks and ways to maximize your Ownership! With GPX Perks, a new savings credit-based shopping experience, you can take advantage of special offers throughout the year.

There is also the potential to earn savings credits that you can apply to hotels, cruises, and so much more — making GPX your new one-stop shop for all things travel!

Explore your private exchange network.  
**GO TO [GPXVACATIONS.COM](https://www.gpxvacations.com) NOW!**



**Christel  
House®**

# Laptops of Love



**Learn how you can get involved today!**

[grandpacificresorts.com/christelhouse](https://grandpacificresorts.com/christelhouse)

When our co-founder David Brown traveled to Christel House in Mexico City earlier this year, he returned home with a mission: to raise enough money to buy laptops for every high schooler in order to provide them with essential educational resources.

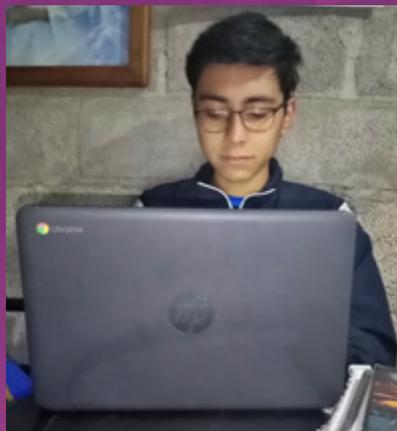
Donors immediately answered the call and contributed \$45,000 to purchase HP Chromebook laptops for every one of the high school's 180 students. Little did anyone realize at the time that distance learning would soon become the new normal for students everywhere, and we were humbled to be able to equip Christel House students for remote education just ahead of a global health crisis.

## However, our work isn't nearly over yet!

Our next objective is to cover the cost of WiFi in the students' homes for the next six months. We hosted a company-wide walk-a-thon in which our Associates logged dozens of miles in an effort to raise enough money to accomplish our goal, **collectively raising a grand total of \$22,405!**

From hosting annual fundraisers to providing internship opportunities, we're always looking for ways to continue staying connected to our friends at Christel House in Mexico City, a non-profit organization helping transform the lives of children in impoverished communities by providing access to educational opportunities.

**If you're able to help us continue to bridge this educational gap and pave the way for these students to have a brighter future, visit [grandpacificresorts.com/christelhouse](https://grandpacificresorts.com/christelhouse) to learn how you can get involved today.**



*Laptops of Love has raised \$45,000 to provide 180 laptops to high school students in Mexico City!*

# Shoes FOR CREWS

Our Housekeeping and Maintenance Associates are the heartbeat of our resorts. The nature of their jobs requires them to spend long hours on their feet every single day, which makes having the proper footwear essential. However, work shoes often cost our Associates an average of \$100 out of their own pockets.

We are proud to announce that we partnered with Shoes for Crews to provide our Associates with quality, slip-resistant footwear. This also includes seasonally-appropriate work boots for our Associates who work in inclement weather to ensure their top safety throughout the winter months as well.



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# Vacations WITH A PURPOSE

Every October, in honor of Breast Cancer Awareness Month, Grand Pacific Resorts encourages Owners to help send a breast cancer survivor on vacation.

Through our long-standing partnership with Send Me on Vacation – an organization that funds vacations for financially disadvantaged breast cancer survivors — along with our Revive & Thrive program, in which generous Owners donate their week, we’ve provided over 30 women with some much-needed rest and relaxation.

We were honored to sponsor the annual Pinktober fundraiser this year and contribute a \$2,000 donation that will send two additional cancer survivors on vacation in 2021.

As an Owner, you understand firsthand the value of vacations, and we’re so proud to have such a generous Owner base that would so willingly donate their week to a family in need. If you would like to get involved with this cause, you can do so by donating your week through **GPX Revive & Thrive** (gpxvacations.com/donate), or by making a donation directly to **Send Me on Vacation** (sendmeonvacation.org/#sthash.yiDqJqGC.dpbs).



# Let it Snow

We were honored to celebrate the 60th Anniversary of the 1960 Winter Olympics with a \$5,000 donation to help build the SNOW Museum, which will be located at the entrance of Olympic Valley, California.

The museum will be a community center dedicated to collecting, preserving, and exhibiting the rich history of the area, especially showcasing the lasting legacy of the 1960 Winter Olympic Games that took place there. Its continuing focus is to maintain a center where the evolution of skiing is enjoyed in a modern facility to create a cultural experience that will amaze and delight all who visit.

We hope the families that enjoy our nearby resorts, Red Wolf Lakeside Lodge, Red Wolf Lodge at Squaw Valley, and Olympic Village Inn, will enjoy this museum and learn more about the rich history of the area in the years to come. For the time being, visit [TheSnowMuseum.org](http://TheSnowMuseum.org) to learn more.



**The SNOW Museum**  
thesnowmuseum.org





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# We Are One



GRAND PACIFIC RESORTS®

 **We Are One Fundraiser**  
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# VIRTUAL TIP JAR

## Grand Pacific Resorts Raises Over \$46,000 for the Heart of the House

While all of our Associates were undoubtedly affected by our temporary resort closures earlier this year, our Housekeeping Associates were among the most impacted due to missed opportunities to earn tips week after week.

Eager to do anything possible to help, we launched the **We Are One Fundraiser** [🔗 \(youtu.be/e9c3r0IJPGA\)](https://youtu.be/e9c3r0IJPGA) and invited our Owners to send encouraging messages or monetary donations via a Virtual Tip Jar. Owners immediately rose to the occasion and exceeded all expectations by donating over \$26,000 across our properties, which we then nearly doubled with a \$20,000 donation, collectively raising a grand total of \$46,000 for our Housekeeping Associates!

The tremendous outpouring of generosity to help support those who consistently provide heartfelt service makes us all the more grateful for our Owner families. We were honored to be able to provide our devoted Housekeeping Associates, the heartbeat of our resorts, with some much-needed financial relief during these uncertain times.

We were so happy to welcome them back in June, and we look forward to continuing to safely provide you with memorable vacation experiences through our **Vacation Well** [🔗 \(grandpacificresorts.com/vacation-well\)](https://grandpacificresorts.com/vacation-well) program.



## AWARD SEASON WINS

The esteemed Perspective Magazine awards honored nominees in timeshare and vacation ownership with an awards ceremony that recognized top industry professionals for their excellence in various categories. Winners received trophy awards presented at the GNEX Conference in Las Vegas earlier this year.

Grand Pacific Resorts was honored to pick up a total of five awards, including Best Management Company, Best Place to Work, Best Team, Best Corporate Responsibility, and Best Marketing Professional. We're so proud of our team's hard work and ongoing commitment to excellence, and we look forward to what the coming year has in store!



# BE EPIC *Moments*

Genuine examples of  
our Associates living out  
our BE EPIC values!



## *Our Values*

### **BALANCE**

Understanding one's priorities and actively balancing them to be fulfilled.

### **EMPOWERMENT**

We nurture and believe in our associates' abilities and entrust them to deliver heartfelt service.

### **ENTHUSIASM**

We don't stop at "good enough". We keep going until we get there.

### **PASSION**

We are passionate about our service culture. Providing amazing service isn't just our duty, it's our pleasure.

### **INTEGRITY**

If we say it, we mean it. We do the right thing because it's the right thing to do.

### **CONSISTENCY**

Our guests and owners trust us to deliver service excellence that is dependable and consistent at every interaction.

### **Beth C.**

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA BEACH CLUB

Beth demonstrates incredible patience in working with our Owners and Guests and always takes extra time to accommodate them. She even helped arrange travel for an Owner who need assistance with a medical procedure. The Owner was so grateful that she gave Beth some beautiful flowers!

### **Eutiguiano V.**

RED WOLF LAKESIDE LODGE

"Tiki" was called after he had left work for the day due to a guest having a plumbing issue. He did not think twice before agreeing to come back to work in order to fix the issue. Tiki always goes out of his way to help people and knows how to be a part of a team.

### **Lady Diana V.**

CORONADO BEACH RESORT

A handicapped Owner who uses a walker was struggling with her luggage cart while checking out at the Front Desk. Without hesitation, Lady Diana quickly ran to her, pushed her luggage cart outside, and loaded her bags and other personal belongings into her vehicle.

### **Joela C.**

MARBRISA

When our home flooded, my family became displaced for a couple of months. However, Joela's bright smile and warm, welcoming presence brightens our day anytime we visit the hotel. On behalf of a family that is going through an incredibly tough time, thank you for having Joela as part of your staff to add more joy to our days!

### **Vista S.**

MARBRISA

When Louie the Lion, little Jaxon's bedtime buddy, was accidentally left behind at MarBrisa, the staff found him and shipped him home. However, the package never arrived. The staff felt awful that Louie went missing while in their care, so they ordered a replacement, and the next time the Owners checked in, they were greeted with a new Louie! The entire staff was in on Louie's adventures and was so excited to meet Jax, the little boy behind the story. The Owners were so thankful for the staff's thoughtfulness, creativity, and stellar customer service in going the extra mile to make sure this story had a happy ending!



# GATHERING VIRTUALLY

Year after year, our Owners have gathered to share their experiences with the board as well as with one another at our Annual Owners Meetings. These are ideal opportunities to not only meet one another, but also to see how we can continue enriching your Ownership experience.

This year has changed the way we do almost everything, and our Owners meetings were no exception. However, we didn't let that stop us from meeting, even if it was only virtually. For everyone's health and safety, we conducted all of our Annual Owners Meetings via Zoom this year. We were touched at how many of you still participated and made your voices heard.

Thank you for showing up virtually, and here's to hoping we will meet again in person soon!







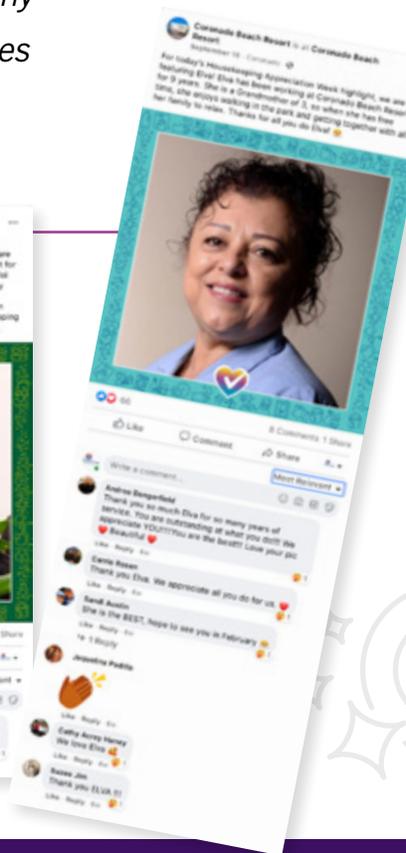
# HONORING THE *Heart* OF OUR RESORTS

*Every year, we devote an entire week known as Housekeeping Appreciation Week to celebrate our dedicated Housekeeping Associates who work tirelessly behind the scenes. We've set out to ensure that we properly acknowledge all of our incredible Housekeeping Associates who are without a doubt the heartbeat of our resorts.*



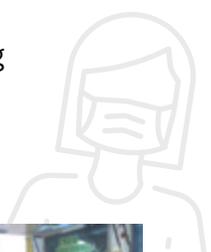
This year would've marked our 9th annual Housekeeping Olympics, which we typically celebrate during Housekeeping Appreciation Week, and features fun events like speed bedmaking and origami towel folding.

Although we had to cancel this year's event for everyone's safety, we asked our resort management teams to find creative ways to honor their Housekeeping Associates, and they delivered.





From extending Housekeeping Appreciation Week into a month-long celebration, to bringing Associates daily meals and sweet treats, to gifting them bouquets of flowers and even personalized gift baskets, we made extra sure our Housekeepers felt the love this year!



## HOUSE ATTENDANT TIP PROGRAM

Last year, we started placing cards with your House Attendant's name, photo, and brief life story as an opportunity for you to get to know them during your stay. A simple hello or gratuity is a welcome token of appreciation for all the individuals who comprise the heart and soul of our resorts.



# MARK YOUR CALENDAR

## January

### LAKE TAHOE

Ring in the new year in a spectacular winter playground where snow season will be in full swing, including skiing and snowboarding, snow tubing, ice skating, and even midnight snowshoeing for the adventurers in your group. After your fun-filled snow day, cuddle up fireside with a cup of something warm at **Red Wolf Lakeside Lodge** [📍 \(gpxvacations.com/resort-profile/?resort=28\)](https://gpxvacations.com/resort-profile/?resort=28).



## February

### NORTH COUNTY SAN DIEGO

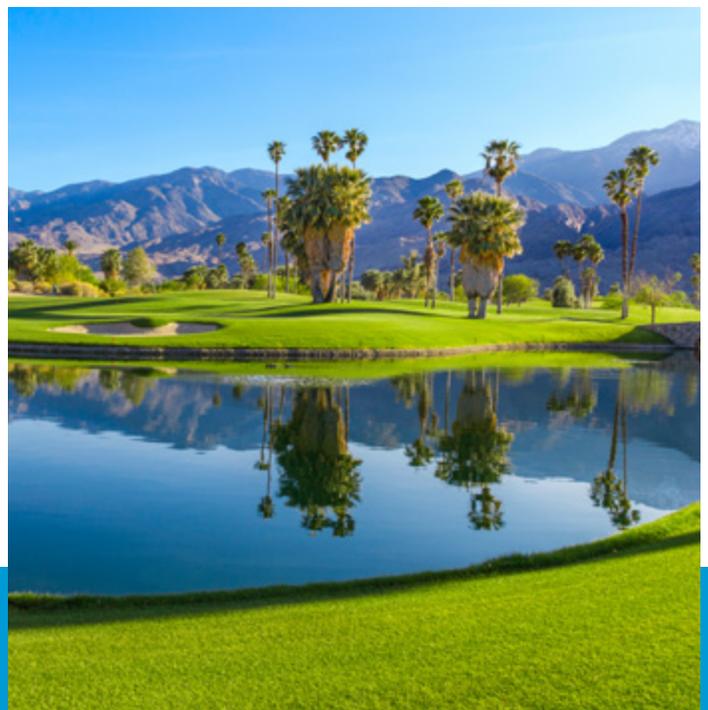
Enjoy a picture perfect hike overlooking the ocean at **Torrey Pines State Reserve** [📍 \(parks.ca.gov/?page\\_id=657\)](https://parks.ca.gov/?page_id=657), browse the local **Del Mar Farmer's Market** [📍 \(delmarfarmersmarket.org\)](https://delmarfarmersmarket.org), or embark on an exciting **whale watching excursion** [📍 \(sdwhalewatch.com\)](https://sdwhalewatch.com) during peak migration season for California gray whales. Fully unwind afterwards at your seaside bungalow at **Carlsbad Seapointe Resort** [📍 \(gpxvacations.com/resort-profile/?resort=24\)](https://gpxvacations.com/resort-profile/?resort=24), perched on a bluff overlooking the Pacific Ocean.



## March

### PALM SPRINGS

Thaw out from winter in sunny **Palm Springs** [📍 \(gpxvacations.com/resort-profile/?resort=1397\)](https://gpxvacations.com/resort-profile/?resort=1397) where the weather is perfectly pleasant this time of year. Play as many rounds of golf as you can handle, check out the date farm or the “cactarium” (see pg. 18 for more), and eat to your heart’s content at some of best local restaurants. Then cap off all the food and fun with a refreshing poolside drink at the **Indian Palms Vacation Club** [📍 \(gpxvacations.com/resort-profile/?resort=3025\)](https://gpxvacations.com/resort-profile/?resort=3025).



## LOOKING FORWARD TO FUN

While this year has no doubt looked different in almost every way, with local events being no exception, there are still so many ways to get out and play! However, we always recommended checking the most current guidelines before heading out.

### April

#### CARLSBAD

**Carlsbad Inn Beach Resort** [🔗 \(gpxvacations.com/resort-profile/?resort=23\)](https://gpxvacations.com/resort-profile/?resort=23) is in the heart all the leisurely fun this laidback beach town has to offer. Lounge on the beach or pedal a bike through the quaint downtown village filled with shops and cafes. Another must this time of year are the nearby **Flower Fields** [🔗 \(theflowerfields.com\)](https://theflowerfields.com) — a stunning 50-acre display of blooms in every color that announce the arrival of spring!



### May

#### OXNARD

Head to this Central Coast hidden gem to stroll along Channel Islands State Beach, jet ski in the harbor, or take an epic day trip to the spectacular **Channel Island National Park** [🔗 \(nps.gov/chis/index.htm\)](https://nps.gov/chis/index.htm). Browse the **Oxnard Farmers Market** [🔗 \(visitoxnard.com/listing/channel-islands-harbor-farmers-market\)](https://visitoxnard.com/listing/channel-islands-harbor-farmers-market) for fresh seafood and local produce then get creative in your **Channel Island Shores** [🔗 \(gpxvacations.com/resort-profile/?resort=2994\)](https://gpxvacations.com/resort-profile/?resort=2994) kitchen.

### June

#### SAN CLEMENTE

Kick off summer in true SoCal style. Stroll along the beach or iconic pier, browse the local boutiques, or enjoy a privately cooked meal at Oliver's, one of the oldest olive oil and balsamic tasting galleries in Southern California. Take a break from the action at **San Clemente Cove** [🔗 \(gpxvacations.com/resort-profile/?resort=3027\)](https://gpxvacations.com/resort-profile/?resort=3027), which sits right on the beach with views of the **San Clemente Pier** [🔗 \(sanclementeguide.com/san-clemente-pier\)](https://sanclementeguide.com/san-clemente-pier).





## July

### LAKE TAHOE

Summers in Lake Tahoe are just as much fun as the winters! In addition to the usual hiking, biking, and endless water activities, catch one of the best 4th of July fireworks shows in the nation, according to NBC. Stay at **Olympic Village Inn** [📍 \(gpxvacations.com/resort-profile/?resort=1437\)](https://gpxvacations.com/resort-profile/?resort=1437), nestled in the mountains of Squaw Valley, then hop on a bike and ride into Tahoe City along the designated bike path.



## August

### OCEANSIDE

Cool off during the dog days of summer as an official O'side beach bum. Fish right off the famous **Oceanside Pier** [📍 \(visitoceanside.org/oceanside-pier\)](https://visitoceanside.org/oceanside-pier), paddleboard in the harbor, or sip wine as you sail off into the sunset on a **Wine Cruise** [📍 \(oceansidewhalewatching.com/cruises/wine-cruise\)](https://oceansidewhalewatching.com/cruises/wine-cruise). Then kick back and watch a spectacular sunset from your balcony at **Southern California Beach Club** [📍 \(gpxvacations.com/resort-profile/?resort=3029\)](https://gpxvacations.com/resort-profile/?resort=3029), located in the heart of the harbor!

## September

### NAPA

Celebrate Napa Valley's harvest season when grapes are at their peak ripeness. Between the ideal warm weather, stunning changing scenery, and al fresco dinners, early fall is the perfect time to visit Napa. Pack a picnic and take a **scenic drive** [📍 \(visitnapavalley.com/blog/post/scenic-drives-of-napa-valley\)](https://visitnapavalley.com/blog/post/scenic-drives-of-napa-valley), or sip wine at your pick of the region's best wineries or on your private patio at **RiverPointe Napa Valley** [📍 \(gpxvacations.com/resort-profile/?resort=2996\)](https://gpxvacations.com/resort-profile/?resort=2996).



# October

## DEL MAR

Head to where the surf meets the turf in **Del Mar** [🔗](https://dmtc.com/calendar/detail/2020Season) ([dmtc.com/calendar/detail/2020Season](https://dmtc.com/calendar/detail/2020Season)) for the Bing Crosby fall racing season. Place your bets on your favorite horses, sip on a wide selection of local beers and wines, and enjoy live music. After the races are run, hop on the convenient coaster and retreat to **Grand Pacific Palisades** [🔗](https://gpxvacations.com/resort-profile/?resort=4) ([gpxvacations.com/resort-profile/?resort=4](https://gpxvacations.com/resort-profile/?resort=4)), a seaside haven that's always a winning bet!



# November

## SAN JUAN CAPISTRANO

Located just minutes from **Dana Point Harbor** [🔗](https://danapointharbor.com) ([danapointharbor.com](https://danapointharbor.com)) and Doheny State Beach, and driving distance from Legoland and Disneyland, **Capistrano Surfside Inn** [🔗](https://gpxvacations.com/resort-profile/?resort=1334) ([gpxvacations.com/resort-profile/?resort=1334](https://gpxvacations.com/resort-profile/?resort=1334)) is perfectly situated near tons of fun for the whole family. Get your fill of golf, shopping, or sailing before returning to your oceanfront villa and firing up the grill on your patio.

# December

## CORONADO

Coronado Island is nothing short of magical during the holidays. A local tradition that puts a San Diego twist on a classic winter activity is **Skating by the Sea** [🔗](https://hoteldel.com/events/skating) ([hoteldel.com/events/skating](https://hoteldel.com/events/skating)), an ice rink set up on right on the beach! Proceeds benefit Make-A-Wish San Diego. Then afterwards, kick back and warm up by the firepit at **Coronado Beach Resort** [🔗](https://gpxvacations.com/resort-profile/?resort=2932) ([gpxvacations.com/resort-profile/?resort=2932](https://gpxvacations.com/resort-profile/?resort=2932)).



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