

SPONSORED AND OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES - WMS2013

HOSPITALITY DESK STAFF - Fred Farr Forum

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2013 4:00 P.M. – 8:00 P.M.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2013 8:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.

A knowledgeable, personable CCM&E Destination Services staff member will be available at the Hospitality Desk located in the Fred Farr Forum during registration hours on October 1 and all day October 2 to answer questions, provide information and make reservations for local excursions.

SPONSORED CARMEL & CANNERY ROW SHOPPING SHUTTLE

Timing:

Thursday, October 3, 2013 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Friday, October 4, 2013 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

At 9:45 a.m., one deluxe highway van will arrive at *Asilomar Conference Grounds* (outside of Phoebe Hurst Social Hall) for boarding, with departure at 10:00 a.m. for Carmel Village, where you will have the opportunity to “buy out the town”. After guest



drop-off, the van will proceed to Historic Cannery Row, where you may want to visit the Monterey Bay Aquarium or stroll along the ocean visiting the many shops. The van will assume a schedule of departing Asilomar every hour on the hour, as a continuous loop into Carmel and Cannery Row. We will have signs in the van indicating your group name in order that they will not be confused with the many other

vehicles already in the area. Drop-off and pick-up will be at the Carmel Plaza, which is the only place in Carmel Village that commercial vehicles are permitted to stop and on Cannery Row at the Monterey Bay Aquarium Circle.

The last departure from Carmel will be at 5:00 p.m. and the last departure from Cannery Row will be at 5:30 p.m., with final return to *Asilomar Conference Grounds* by 6:00 p.m.

RANGER TOURS

Timing: Meet group at Hearst Social Hall Deck

Wednesday, October 2, 2013. History Walks 9:00-10:00 am and 1:00-2:00 pm

Thursday, October 3, 2013. Forest/Dunes Walk 9:00-10:00 am and 1:00-2:00 pm

Friday, October 4, 2013. Architecture of Asilomar 9:00-10:00 am and 1:00-2:00 pm

OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES

CARMEL WINE WALK

Timing: At Your Leisure

Wine tasting rooms have become a big trend for wineries and towns in California. In quaint Carmel, there are 15 places people can go wine tasting, and the city of Carmel By-The-Sea has made it easy with a Carmel Wine Walk-by-the-Sea Passport, which includes ten (10) tasting rooms!

Today you might like to ride the Carmel Shopping Shuttle and enjoy the Carmel Wine Walk at your leisure.....The *Wine Walk by-the-Sea* is a self-paced self-guided stroll to the tasting rooms which are all within a block of each other on the south side of Ocean Avenue. They are Caraccioli Cellars, Figge Cellars, Galante Vineyards, Manzoni Wines, Scheid Vineyards, Wrath Wines and Vino Napoli to name a few.



PRICE:

\$65.00 per person with no minimum required

PRICE INCLUDES:

- All coordination by **CCM&E DESTINATION SERVICES**

MONTEREY BAY AQUARIUM TOUR

Timing: At Your Leisure

Today you may like to ride the Cannery Row Shopping Shuttle and take a tour of the World Renowned Monterey Bay Aquarium and Historic Cannery Row. The 250,000 square-foot facility is housed in the lovingly restored Hovden Cannery building. In this \$110 million world acclaimed facility, over 100 specialty exhibits and habitats feature studies of various forms of local Monterey Bay marine life: two-story kelp forest, Monterey Bay Habitats with authentic wharf pilings, king salmon, sharks, and a host of other fabulous fish. An then there is the sea otter exhibit . . . where a "team" of some of the cutest of sea "critters" imaginable constantly frolic for the viewer's pleasure!



PRICE:

\$34.95 per person with no minimum required

PRICE INCLUDES:

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MONTEREY COUNTY WINE TOUR

Timing: 2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.



Today, you may like to enjoy the oenological experience of a lifetime! We begin with a drive out to the incredibly fertile and verdant Salinas Valley. The River Road Wine Trail is an association of Monterey County winery tasting rooms, located primarily along the River Road / Foothill Road corridor, on the Santa Lucia Highlands bench above the Salinas Valley. Charming and intimate, these tasting rooms specialize in limited release vintages and genuine hospitality.

Hahn Estates is owned and operated by the Nicolaus Hahn Family. Nicolaus (“Nicky”) Hahn is a Swiss businessman, adventurer and philanthropist whose venturesome spirit brought him and his family to Monterey in the mid 1970’s. While living in England, the Hahns had discovered a love for California wines. A two-year search guided them to Monterey County with its breathtaking beauty and ideal growing conditions. Nicky quickly realized that this region had as much potential to produce world-class wines as any other in the state.

Paraiso Vineyards is owned and managed by three generations of the Smith family, one of the pioneering wine grape growers of the Santa Lucia Highlands. Their estate vineyard is the first in the region to be SIP Certified Sustainable. While the focus is on estate Pinot Noir, Paraiso also produces small lots of Chardonnay, dry Riesling, Syrah and Souzao Port.



Pessagno Vineyards: Steve Pessagno has been producing award-winning wines for over 20 years. In 2005 he and close associates purchased a winery in the heart of the beautiful Santa Lucia Highlands. *Pessagno Winery* is the culmination of Steve Pessagno’s vision to produce limited quantities of exclusive, prestigious, single vineyard wines from Monterey and San Benito Counties.

PRICE:

\$130.00 per person based on a Ten (10) person Minimum per Van
{Eleven (11) pax maximum per Van}

PRICE INCLUDES:

- Round trip transportation via deluxe highway van
- Professional, uniformed CCM&E guide aboard the van to provide a narrated tour
- Wine Tasting as described above to include all applicable taxes and gratuities
- All coordination by **CCM&E DESTINATION SERVICES**

17 MILE DRIVE/CARMEL MISSION TOUR

Timing: 2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.



Today you may like to see the famed 17-Mile Drive in its entirety and visit the Carmel Mission.

This enlightening tour winds along the coastline and the 17 Mile Drive with its famous coastal scenery...the beautiful and majestic estates...and the seven beautiful golf courses, including the three on which the annual AT&T National Pro-Am is played: Spyglass Hill, Poppy Hills and Pebble Beach Golf Links. The 17 Mile Drive, with its famous coastal scenery, runs through the Del Monte Forest, comprising roughly 5,200 acres of land. You will find yourself traveling among age-old Cypress, wooded forests, green meadows and miles of shoreline. To mention a few points of interest, you will travel past Point Joe, where during the earliest sailing days, mariners, mistaking Point Joe for the entrance to the Monterey Bay, have been shipwrecked and gone to their graves.

They will visit Seal and Bird Rocks, which are homes of countless shoreline birds, as well as offshore herds of Sea Lions, leopard seals and harbor seals. Also on this tour, they will witness a magnificent stand of Monterey Cypress, thought to be the oldest in the world. Along the coastline, upon nearly bare rock, witness one of California's most familiar landmarks, The Lone Cypress Tree. Its stark beauty has inspired countless artists, photographers and sightseers.

Next you will head to the Carmel Mission...Founded in 1771, the Mission San Carlos Borromeo of the Carmel River ("Carmel Mission"). With its beautifully restored buildings, one can imagine life in the early Mission period.

The mission, first established on June 3, 1770, in nearby Monterey, (near the native village of Tamo), was named for Charles Borromeo, Archbishop of Milan, Italy. It was the site of the first Christian confirmation in Alta California. In May 1771, the viceroy approved Father Junipero Serra's petition to relocate the mission to its current location near the present-day town of Carmel-by-the-Sea. Serra's goal was to put some distance between the mission's neophytes and the Presidio of Monterey, (the headquarters of Pedro Fages, who served as military governor of Alta California between 1770 and 1774, with whom Serra was engaged in a heated power struggle). The original site continued to operate as the "Royal Presidio Chapel" and later became the Cathedral of San Carlos Borromeo. "Mission Carmel" (as it came to be known) was Serra's favorite and, being close to Monterey (the capital of Alta California), served as his headquarters.



Its lovely garden attracts visitors from all over the world...but its other attraction is the fact that it is the burial site of Father Serra who, when he died on August 28, 1784, was

interred beneath the chapel floor. Founder of the original twenty-one (21) missions, he is currently being considered for sainthood by the Catholic Church.

Following this enjoyable and inspiring tour, you will be returned to Asilomar, arriving there by 6:00 p.m.

PRICE:

\$78.00 per person based on a Ten (10) person Minimum per Van
{Eleven (11) pax maximum per Van}

PRICE INCLUDES:

- Round trip transportation via deluxe highway Van
- Professional, uniformed guide to provide narrated tour
- All donations to Carmel Mission
- All coordination by **CCM&E DESTINATION SERVICES**

POINT LOBOS NATURE HIKE & PHOTOGRAPH SAFARI

Timing: 2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.



Deriving its name from the offshore rocks at Punta de los Lobos Marinos, Point of the Sea Wolves, where the sound of the sea lions carries inland, the reserve has often been called "the crown jewel of the State Park System." Point Lobos has offered many things to millions of people

who have visited it over the years. Point Lobos State Reserve has outstanding passive recreation values, such as sightseeing, photography, painting, nature study, picnicking, Scuba diving, and jogging. In addition to the spectacular beauty, nearly every aspect of its resources is of scientific interest. There are rare plant communities, endangered archeological sites, unique geological formations, and incredibly rich flora and fauna of both land and sea.

Over two hundred fifty different animal and bird species, and over three hundred fifty plant species have been identified at the Reserve. Next to the spectacular scenic beauty of the Point, this presence of wildlife is among the area's most arresting features. Here it is possible to observe in a primitive environment many plant and animal species living in interesting relationships to one another.

While Point Lobos is justifiably famous for its scenic beauty and remarkable diversity of plants and wildlife, it is also a place rich in human history. Over the past 150 years, this area has played host to a virtual parade of human activity. At one time or another, Point Lobos had been home to Native Americans, Chinese fishermen, Japanese abalone harvesters, and Portuguese whalers. It has been the site of an abalone cannery, coal mining business, granite quarry, military base, and numerous film productions.

Today, as you walk along the reserve's trails, chances are good that you will find fragments of iridescent abalone shell scattered about. The rocky shores of Point Lobos provide a perfect habitat for this muscular mollusk. Abalone meat has long been considered a delicacy in many cultures and its shell prized for use as mother-of-pearl

furniture inlay and the manufacture of jewelry and buttons. While the Ohlone gathered abalone at Point Lobos, it was not until the Chinese arrived in the early 1850's that it was harvested commercially.

Soon after the California gold rush of 1849, historians believe a small group of Chinese fishermen and their families set sail from southern China in 30-foot junks. Following the prevailing winds and ocean currents, they probably arrived at Point Lobos around 1851 and established what may be the first Chinese fishing settlement in California. By 1853 more Chinese arrived from the gold fields and settled along the coast at nearby Monterey. Word quickly spread about the abundant abalone beds and before long several hundred Chinese were engaged in the local abalone harvesting business. They also understood the rich potential of the sea and diversified their catch to include squid, sea urchins and a variety of fish. The Chinese settlement at Point Lobos consisted of about a dozen buildings, one of which remains and now houses the Whalers Cabin Museum.

To add to today's visual and nature journey, you will be accompanied by a nature guide who will provide insight in to locations for the best shots and to assist with finding the perfect locations for the perfect photographs as a permanent remembrance of this unmatched scenery. Following this enchanted afternoon, you will be returned to *Asilomar Conference Grounds* arriving there by 6:00 p.m.

PRICE:

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{Eleven (11) pax maximum per Van}

PRICE INCLUDES:

- Round trip transportation via deluxe highway Van
- Professional, uniformed guide aboard the vehicle to provide narrated tour
- All Entrance Fees as described above to Point Lobos
- All photographer fees during the tour
- All coordination by **CCM&E DESTINATION SERVICES**