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REMAKING HISTORY AT A BELOVED CALIFORNIA LANDMARK

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The Hotel Del Coronado is many things above and beyond its “historic” status. In its early days, over a century ago, it stood as a beacon drawing well-to-do and tastemaking vacationers to California’s sunny shores. As the backdrop for the legendary Billy Wilder comedy “Some Like It Hot” (famous for its depiction of the Roaring 20s and Marilyn Monroe’s star power) it’s both a part of Hollywood history and San Diego-area history. While the architectural integrity of the original Victorian architecture has been

preserved, each decade has brought new expressions of ambiance and amenities to cater to ever-evolving tastes.

In late 2021, the results of the “Hotel Del’s” \$400 million “Master Plan” renovations ensure the property will continue to make history and delight future generations. The landmark has most recently seen an extensive restoration of the hotel’s welcoming front porch (with an assist from the area’s Heritage Architecture & Planning) to its original grandeur

along with an updated main entry and drive experience. Other things guests can look forward to are fresh and contemporary guest rooms in the just-launched The Views ‘neighborhood,’ the recent introduction of The Cabanas ‘neighborhood’ and new main pool. While the tradition of the Hotel Del’s lavish brunch is still in place, four upgraded dining concepts – Sun Deck, Babcock & Story, ENO Market, and ENO Pizzeria—are poised to generate culinary excitement later this year.

ABOVE: Old Hollywood glamor, Southern California history, and crisp modern design brought out by a multi-million dollar renovation make the classic hotel more inviting than ever.



From the classic California beach to the cozy beds, Hotel Del Coronado seamlessly blends the character and history of old Hollywood with the most luxurious modern amenities.



“The Master Plan demonstrates not only our commitment to investing in our guest experience but also our dedication to reinvigorating Hotel del Coronado’s timeless story,” said general manager Harold Rapoza, in light of the renovation phases being completed and brought to life. Design firm Wimberly Interiors, meanwhile, has put its stamp on the thoughtful refresh of the Victorian Building lobby, maintaining the original Victorian color palette while updating the overall look subtly with custom “Amazonia” wall covering by de Gournay. The hotel’s show-stopping birdcage elevator also received mechanical upgrades to operate automatically, though it also has an “attendant mode” so guests can continue to enjoy it as people did a century ago.

Guests who want to enjoy the property in a more modern context, meanwhile, will appreciate The Views’ 217 enhanced guest rooms and suites crisp, upscale coastal design in seafoam and driftwood offset with new glass balcony railings to allow for uninterrupted views. Other distinct neighborhood experiences of the hotel (top-end luxury Beach Village, The Victorian, Shore House at The Del), are also spruced up with brighter, more contemporary hues while remaining true to their original concepts. In addition to the picturesque beach cabanas, poolside areas and resort activities tailored for families and couples, the Hotel Del Coronado boasts the one-of-a-kind Ice House Museum, built in 1889. Today, it is a museum preserving its history and keeping it alive for current and future generations of visitors. Along with a permanent and rotating exhibit space, it’s the starting place for the hotel’s famed history tours, as well as a unique venue for special occasions and gatherings.

One of the Hotel Del Coronado’s most popular weekends is Mother’s Day. True to tradition, the property’s Crown Room or Ocean Ballroom will once again stage an elegant champagne brunch. However, all year round, families can celebrate their mothers with a variety of packages that encompass the hotel’s many restaurants as well as its award-winning Spa & Salon at The Del, which not only offers outstanding coastal views and treatments incorporating healing



elements of the sea, an infinity pool and the Marilyn Monroe-inspired Beauty Bar (which her “Some Like It Hot” alter ego Sugar Cane, would have found quite sweet). However, those looking for the ultimate Mother’s Day gift that keeps on giving may want to check out the vacation home real estate at the Shore House.

Additional information on Hotel del Coronado, its unique “neighborhoods” and reservations can be found at hoteldel.com or call 800.468.3533. Interactive details and upcoming milestone updates in the property’s “Master Plan” completion can be viewed on masterplan2022.hoteldel.com. For more information on Shore House vacation home real estate opportunities, visit hoteldel.com/stay/shore-house-real-estate/

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Whether you dine poolside, casual, white tablecloth or at the Taco Beach Shack, you’ll always find a catch of the day to satisfy your craving.

