

# SIGNATURE GROUP ACTIVITY GUIDE

## WE TAKE YOUR FUN SERIOUSLY

Bring innovative people to an extraordinary setting, and anything is possible. We want to inspire you, to energize you, to nurture your creativity. We push the boundaries of the expected by offering you activities and experiences that will make your event one-of-a-kind.

At Carmel Valley Ranch, we celebrate the importance of play to the human spirit, so we've developed creative new programs for groups to play together and bond. We also recognize that sometimes a team wants to dig a little deeper, to build the best working relationships possible through shared discoveries and exploration. From archery competitions to artisanal craft workshops; from summer-camp style Color War Games to our Ranch Chef Challenge; from beekeeping to wine tasting to nature walks to night golf—opportunities abound for authentic connection.

For more information about customizing a "play-outside-the-box" experience for your next team meeting or family reunion, please contact your Group Activity Coordinators at 831.620.6458.

See you soon!

THE RANCH ACTIVITIES TEAM



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## TEAMWORK MAKES THE DREAM WORK

There's nothing like friendly competition to build team spirit. Tap into your group's passion and energy and remind everyone that it's not always about winning; it's about discovering each other's strengths and talents, and learning through victory *and* defeat.

### **COLOR WAR**

The pinnacle of any summer camp experience, Color War pits friends against friends and unites unlikely allies to build morale and excitement. Participants are divided into teams identified by colored bandanas and compete in a variety of challenges, ranging from relay races to tongue twisters to our Signature Cocktail Competition. The War is capped off with a nail-biting, all-team competitive race. Facilitated by our experienced Activities Staff, the customizable activities bring your team together and help you learn more about the personalities in your organization. Includes prizes for the winning team! Requires minimum of 90 minutes.

**Signature Color War:** \$150 per person | 24–160 participants

**Premium Color War:** \$175 per person | 24–160 participants | Includes food and/or beverage component arranged through your Special Event Manager, as well as optional specially requested, highly customized themes or games.

Larger groups accommodated upon request. Smaller groups may also be accommodated, but minimum pricing applies.

#### **RANCH RACE**

An "Amazing Race"-inspired competition, the Signature Ranch Race is a fast-paced event ••custom designed by our Activities Team to lead participants on a wild chase around The Ranch's 500-Acre Playground! Teams "travel" to different destinations around the property, using only a map of the Resort, their collective smarts, and a simple clue. Upon arriving at each location, they participate in a group or single-player challenge to gain points and earn a clue to the next leg of their journey. As with all of our team-bonding offerings, you will work closely with our Activities Team to create a customized event that will match your unique culture and objectives. Includes prizes for the winning team! Requires minimum of 2 hours.

**Signature Ranch Race:** \$150 per person | 20-160 participants

**Premium Ranch Race:** \$175 per person | 20-160 participants| Includes food and/or beverage component arranged through your Special Event Manager, as well as optional specially requested, highly customized themes or games.

Larger groups accommodated upon request. Smaller groups may also be accommodated, but minimum pricing applies.



### **TEAM GEOCACHING**

Tiny treasures are hidden around The Ranch, waiting to be found by you and your team of outdoor detectives. Geocaching—the worldwide high-tech treasure hunt that combines GPS navigation skills with nature exploration and a little creative sleuthing—is perfect for friendly competition or family fun. Participants of all ages and abilities will love using our specially programmed Garmin GPS devices and clever clues to search for team tokens stashed in small "caches" placed around the property. Teams compete to collect the most tokens and earn bonus points for speed, strategy, and team spirit.

\$100 per person | 10-80 participants | 120 minutes

### **ORGANIC GARDEN SCAVENGER HUNT**

This lightly competitive and "scent"-sory activity is the perfect break from a long day of important meetings—or a great way to gather your family at the next reunion. Our Activities Staff will take you for a short walk down the hill through our pinot noir vineyard to our two-acre Organic Garden for a delightful hunt through the growing beds. Each participant will be given a list of items to identify and pick, with prizes for the winners and refreshments for all. Whether working as a team or as individual contestants, the entire group will have the opportunity to enjoy a stunning view of the valley, a complimentary glass of lavender lemonade, and the scents and sounds of nature.

\$50 per person | 6-60 participants | 60-120 minutes

### SHUTTERBUG PHOTO SCAVENGER HUNT

At The Ranch, we are surrounded by scenic beauty, but you'll also see plenty of entertaining characters! From turkeys and chickens to quirky Front Desk Agents, everyone and everything is fair game for this out-of-the-box photographic scavenger hunt. Teams will be given a list of objects, poses, or people to capture on their smart phones, and the team that earns the most points wins bragging rights and cocktails at Valley Kitchen. (Alternate prizes available upon request.) Perfect for a break between events, a transition between work and play, or just some good ol' fashioned get-out-and-have-fun!

\$60 per person | 6–100 participants | 45–60 minutes *Larger groups available upon request.* 



## **ADVENTURES ABOUND**

"I wish I had spent more time at Carmel Valley Ranch *indoors* ..." said no one, ever. We can help your group get outside, explore, refocus, and recharge in the great outdoors.

### **FALCONRY'S WINGED AMBASSADORS**

Discover the ancient sport of falconry in this unique opportunity to interact with magnificent winged predators. You and your team will be introduced to several birds of prey native to the skies over The Ranch as you learn about the roles they play in the health of our environment. Meet nature's top gun, the peregrine falcon, whose diving speeds of up to 250 mph make it the fastest animal on the planet. Get up close and personal with a great horned owl, one of North America's top predators. Experience a life-changing rush when you put on a falconer's glove and watch a hawk glide out of a nearby tree to your outstretched arm. Photo opps abound, along with stories to tell around the water cooler for years to come.

\$175 per person | 8-25 participants | 120 minutes

## NOCK, DRAW, LOOSE! ARCHERY

Once used by our ancestors to bring food to the cook-fires, the practice of archery is a fascinating confluence of discipline and energy, focus and stamina. With guidance from our expert instructors, your group will learn the skill and pure enjoyment that comes from target-based archery. Choose from the following packages, or call the Activities Team for a customized experience. *Note: Sobriety required. Participants must be at least 12 years of age to attend. For youth archery programs, inquire with your Group Activity Coordinator.* 

## **Bronze Archery Session**

The Bronze Session includes a safety briefing, equipment, individual instruction, and tips and advice from the instructor throughout the session. We promise that we'll get everyone hitting the target!

\$80 per person | 6–10 participants | 60 minutes

## Silver Archery Package

In addition to everything included in the Bronze Session, this package offers a final competition in which you'll learn how to score and host a shoot-off for a dozen arrows. The top three archers receive medals!

\$100 per person | 8–20 participants | 90 minutes

## **Gold Archery Package**

Go for the gold! Try our extended 2-hour session with extra games in addition to the shoot-off competition. In this experience, archers compete for bronze, silver, and gold medals plus champagne for the top archer! An optional break may be scheduled into the session.

\$125 per person | 10-20 participants | 120 minutes



### **OUTDOOR PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOPS**

Learn from the best! Acclaimed photographer Kip Evans is an expert in landscape photography; his stunning images have been published by National Geographic and numerous other publications. Taking a class with him will help you discover how to capture the world through your own unique lens. Note that Kip is in high demand and travels frequently, so be sure to inquire about his availability well in advance of your stay.

## **Create Your Best Shot: Basics for the Modern Photographer**

Do you know what sets the best photographers apart from the rest? Photo composition. In this on-property class, you'll learn how to create beautiful photos anytime, anywhere. We will talk about and then practice finding the right lighting, angle, and focal compositions. Bring whatever camera you use most—DSLR, smart phone, any will do! \$125 per person | 10-person minimum | 120–150 minutes (includes 45-minute

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## **Point Lobos Photography Excursion**

Capture the extraordinary beauty of the Big Sur Coast, Pebble Beach, and Monterey Peninsula on this unforgettable adventure. Photograph breathtaking landscapes as you hike along the shores and coves of Point Lobos State Reserve, less than 30 minutes from The Ranch. Chase the shifting light along this magnificent stretch of coastline as you learn about otters, seals, pelagic birds, and other marine life in this magical meeting of land and sea.

**Half-day excursion:** \$200 per person | 10-person minimum | 1 hour seminar, 3-hour photography tour

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**Full-day excursion:** \$400 per person | 1-hour seminar, 6-hour photography tour, 1-hour photo sharing and discussion *Transportation and A/V costs are additional.* 

#### **GUIDED HIKES & WALKS**

Explore our 500-acre playground and beyond! Experience unparalleled scenery as you learn about local wildlife, plants, and cultural history from our knowledgeable Naturalist.

### **On-Property Hikes & Walks**

Stretch your legs and get to know our scenic trails and grounds. Combine any number of interconnected pathways and trails, or choose one of the themed hikes below.

60 minutes | \$240 up to 12 people | \$20 per additional person 90 minutes | \$360 up to 12 people | \$30 per additional person

- **Horseshoe Loop Walk** Enjoy a bird's-eye-view of The Ranch on this leisurely walk up to our hilltop pasture, with stunning views of Robinson Canyon along the way.
- **Nature Walk** Learn about local plants and wildlife on this relaxing walk through our pinot noir vines, olive grove, and lavender fields to the Organic Garden and back.
- Ridge View Hike Take an invigorating, moderately strenuous hike up the Huff 'n' Puff and Mucklehead trails to the spectacular ridgeline above The Ranch, where you'll enjoy breathtaking views of the valley and, on a clear day, the Pacific Ocean.
- Golden Hour Hike Explore our beautiful property in the waning light. Hike up to a



peaceful knoll above The Ranch to take in panoramic views of Carmel Valley and a glimpse of the ocean in the distance.

• Glow-in-the-Night Hike Looking for adventure under the stars? Hiking at night in Carmel Valley is an extraordinary experience, guaranteed to awaken your senses. Before we set out, we'll wrap ourselves with EL (electroluminescent) wire—the latest in wearable technology—and then head up the trail for a truly glowing experience! At the top, we'll turn off our lights and tune into the peaceful sounds of nature after dark. Additional fees and minimum 2 weeks' notice required.

## **Off-Property Excursions**

Take advantage of The Ranch's proximity to world-famous parks and coastal trails. Our guides will show you all the best places to go. *Transportation is participants' responsibility or can be provided by The Ranch for additional charge. Hike locations may depend on season.* 

- Point Lobos State Reserve Prepare to have your breath taken away. Point Lobos offers an extraordinary meeting of land and sea, where spectacular coastal scenery, easy ocean-front walking trails, and wildlife—including sea otters, sea lions, shorebirds, and migrating whales—await you. The historic Whaler's Cabin contains fascinating exhibits about the area's cultural history. 20-minute drive from Carmel Valley Ranch.
   \$510 up to 6 people | \$85 per additional person | 120-180 minutes
- **Garland Ranch Regional Park.** With over 50 miles of scenic hiking trails varying in terrain and difficulty, this neighboring parkland to our east offers many great options. You can start and finish at the park's Visitor Center just 3 miles down the road, or opt for a moderately strenuous 6-mile hike from The Ranch along scenic Snively's Ridge to the Visitor Center and get shuttled back. *5-minute drive from Carmel Valley Ranch*. \$420 up to 6 people | \$70 per additional person | 90–180 minutes
- Garzas Creek/Redwood Canyon Locals know you don't have to go all the way to Big Sur to see California redwoods. Just a few minutes from The Ranch, this tranquil 4-mile, easy-to-moderate hike through a sun-dappled riparian canyon meanders along a creek shaded by cottonwoods and big-leaf maples, leading to a secluded redwood grove. Hike back on the Terrace Trail, best known for its explosion of wildflowers from March to July. 10-minute drive from Carmel Valley Ranch.

  \$420 up to 6 people | \$70 per additional person | 90–180 minutes
- Summit Hike For those who want a longer, more challenging hike, reap the rewards of this 7-mile round-trip hike starting from Carmel Valley Ranch's own Mucklehead Trail, heading up along the ridgeline to the summit above Garland Ranch Regional Park. Enjoy stunning panoramic views of the Monterey Peninsula, Carmel Valley, and Santa Lucia coastal range before descending back toward views of the Pacific Ocean.

  No transportation required. Offered seasonally. Minimum 2 weeks' notice required.

  \$720 up to 12 people | \$60 per additional person | 3.5-4 hours



## **BECOME AN ARTISAN**

At Carmel Valley Ranch, the concept of sustainability means more than just taking care of the land; it means being part of a community. That's why we partner with local artists, crafters, and purveyors of natural, handmade products to help us make The Ranch a unique place to stay and play. Learn how you, too, can "do it yourself" in these artisaninspired workshops.

#### THE EXPERIENTIAL MARKET

Meet the people who help put Carmel Valley Ranch on the map as a destination for foodies and crafters alike. In this market-style experience, you'll visit stations where our expert artisans and instructors will be on hand to share their talents. Learn how to create personalized perfume from essential oils, explore the world of handcrafted goat cheese, taste flights of honey straight from our Carmel Valley Ranch bee hives, blend spices and sea salt from our Salt House to make your own seasoning, and more. Ask our Activities Coordinator for a full list of options, or work with us to create custom activities around your ideas.

Pricing begins at \$100 per person for 4 stations | 20-person minimum people | 90–120 minutes *Length of time and number of stations may be increased for additional fees.* 

### **BEESWAX CANDLE CRAFTING**

In this relaxing hands-on activity, you'll learn how to create custom candles using the natural bounty of The Ranch. We'll show you how to roll a sheet of pressed beeswax into a simple, decorated candle, or make a scented candle with essential oils, herbs, and blossoms by pouring hot beeswax into an elegant votive. Spend some unscripted time relaxing and creating a memory and a memento of your stay here at The Ranch.

\$75 per person | 8–14 participants | 60 minutes *Larger groups accommodated upon request.* 

### **BATH & BODY WORKSHOP**

Learn how to pamper your body with bath products made just for you—by you! In this workshop, we'll discuss the basics of aromatherapy as we create fragrant handmade soaps and exfoliating scrubs with natural ingredients, including herbs, salts, and essential oil harvested from lavender here at The Ranch.

\$75 per person | 8–14 participants | 60 minutes Larger groups accommodated upon request.

#### **BRING ON THE BATH BOMBS**

This family-friendly workshop focuses on creating fun, fizzy bath bombs with natural ingredients including muscle-soothing salts and essential oils harvested from our very own lavender. It's an all-natural way to make bath time 'da bomb!

\$75 per person | 8–14 participants | 60 minutes Larger groups accommodated upon request.



### **CRAFTING BONANZA**

Can't decide which craft to try? Try them all by turning one of our craft classes into a two-hour workshop cultivating your own spa essentials, using natural materials from Carmel Valley Ranch. Explore the science behind making fizzy bath bombs. Indulge your sense of smell by making a fragrant beeswax candle. Soothe your skin with a handcrafted soap bar. Make a sugar scrub and a bath tea that are (almost) good enough to eat. Learn the basics for self-pampering and take home a decorated basket full of goodies just for you!

\$175 per person | 6–14 participants | 120–150 minutes Length of program and number of participants may be increased for additional fees. Ask your Activities Coordinator for details.



## **FARM & GARDEN LIFE**

Situated on 500 acres of historic farmland, The Ranch remains true to its agricultural roots by growing many of its own fruits, vegetables, herbs, and other natural ingredients to support a program of sustainability. The two-acre Organic Garden, which features an apiary, hen house, salt house, orchard, and surrounding lavender fields, supplies the raw materials and inspiration for our renowned cuisine as well as our therapeutic spa products. Come explore the garden ecosystem and take a closer look at the beneficial relationships between plants, animals, and the earth.

### A BEE'S LIFE

Experience the ancient magic of beekeeping and meet the hard-working honeybees of Carmel Valley Ranch. From hive science to honey extractions, your group will learn the latest buzz about these important pollinators. Your group's private class begins in the Organic Garden with a discussion and demonstration. Then you'll suit up and head into the Apiary to learn how new hive installations draw connections between plants and herbs, pollen and pollinators. The experience concludes with a taste of honey served with an artisanal cheese and fruit platter. *Note: If there are children in your group, they must be at least 6 years of age to attend.* 

\$155 per person | 10–20 people | 90 minutes

### **DIG IN! WITH FARMER MARK MARINO**

Join us for a hands-on organic gardening seminar, where you'll take a private tour of the Organic Garden, visit the Hen House, and spend time with The Ranch's veteran organic farmer, Mark Marino. Get your hands dirty learning about composting and how to plan for and prepare a vegetable bed for seasonal plantings. Gloves and tools will be provided.

\$75 per person | 10-20 people | 60 minutes

#### ORGANIC GARDEN TOUR AND CHICKEN CHAT

Where can you pick vegetables, feed chickens, taste home-grown salt crystals, and discover how last night's salad sprouted to life? Join our naturalist on a private tour of the vegetable- and flowerbeds, fruit orchard, Hen House, and our own unique salt house to learn how we transformed the hillside next to the 10th fairway into a fertile and sustainable culinary paradise.

\$240 up to 12 people | \$20 per additional person | 45–60 minutes



## FOR THE YOUNG & THE YOUNG-AT-HEART

For groups that include families—or any group that just wants to *play*—we've got you covered, with activities designed to keep guests of all ages entertained for hours.

## **BOCCE BALL**

Our bocce courts at River Ranch are the perfect place for an after-meeting gathering or family bonding. Food and beverages may be arranged through your Special Event Manager. Suitable for 4–30 people; pricing for larger groups available upon request.

 $\textbf{Casual Style: $200 for 2 hrs.} \mid \$100 \text{ per additional hr.} \mid Includes \text{ two private courts.}$ 

**Tournament Style:** \$600 for 2 hrs. | \$300 per additional hr. | Includes host, music, and entertainment. **Indoor Tournament:** \$900 for 2 hrs. | \$450 per additional hr. | Includes host, music, indoor bocce court set up, and entertainment. Site fee applies for indoor event.

#### **LAWN GAMES**

Liven up any outdoor (or indoor!) event with classic party games like Cornhole, Ladder Ball, Giant Jenga, Giant Connect 4, croquet (outdoor only), and golf putting. Perfect for cocktail receptions and family reunions.

\$150 per game for 2 hrs. | \$75 per additional hr. | Site fee for indoor event Cornhole (bean-bag toss) includes two sets and may be arranged as a separate, hosted tournament with music for an additional fee.

## CHILDREN'S ENTERTAINMENT STATION

Make your main event kid-friendly with craft tables and gaming stations. Children get to enjoy the big event right along with the adults, but without getting bored!

Childcare not included. Ask your Activities Coordinator for entertainment options and fees.

#### DAILY KIDS CAMPS

The River Ranch Activities Cottage is home to our daily programming for kids. **Ranch Hands Kids Camp** (ages 6–12) features a blend of indoor and outdoor activities, including swimming, hiking, tennis, golf, and more, and is offered in half- or full-day sessions. **Little Ranchers** (ages 2–5) allows little ones to enjoy a structured program of fun and educational activities on an hourly basis.

Call the Activities Department at 831.626.2507 to inquire about pricing and availability.

## PRIVATE KIDS' NIGHT OUT

Enjoy quality grownup time while children ages 2–12 enjoy their own evening of fun and socializing at the River Ranch Children's Activity Cottage. We'll have movies, games, arts & crafts, and much more, plus a children's dinner buffet from the River Ranch.

\$100 per child, 10-child minimum | 3 hrs., \$20 per child per additional hr. | Includes full childcare services. *Certain dates may require a buyout of the Activity Cottage at a minimum of \$1,500. Ask your Activities Coordinator or Conference Services Manager for availability.* 

**Customized Kids' Night Out:** Want to keep the kids close by? Rent out a location of your choice for \$115 per child. *Additional fees for TV/movie setup and children's buffet.* 



# FOR THE HUNGRY (AND THIRSTY)

Nothing unites people like food, especially when it's prepared together. Add a dash of competition, a splash of liquid merriment, and some guidance from our culinary and beverage experts, and you've got a recipe for fun. Many of our programs take place in the Adventure Kitchen, home to hands-on cooking demos and fierce "Ranch Chef" competitions. Ask your Special Event Manager for details.

### RANCH CHEF CHALLENGE

Inspired by the popular Food Network show of a similar name, the Ranch Chef Challenge is part team-bonding exercise and part culinary crash-course. The Ranch Chef Challenge allows every participant to feel like a celebrity chef. As the clock ticks, teams must prepare dishes using the ingredients and tools provided, including a "secret" ingredient revealed at the start of the event. Best for groups of 20 participants or more but can be customized for smaller groups.

\$1,500++ Chef's fee/Adventure Kitchen setup fee, plus site fee | 20–60 participants; chef may be able to accommodate larger groups upon request | 120 minutes

**10:00a–2:00p Challenge:** Starting at \$150++ per person; includes chef's light buffet lunch and non-alcoholic beverages

**3:00p–9:00p Challenge:** Starting at \$180++ per person; includes light hors d'oeuvres and local wine/beer selections during activity. Dinner buffet maybe added through your Special Event Manager.

## **GARDEN-TO-TABLE COOKING DEMO**

Organic Farmer Mark Marino and our talented culinary specialists, under the direction of Executive Chef Tim Wood, team up for this authentic farmstead culinary experience in the Organic Garden. The activity begins with a talk from Mark about organic gardening and how to bring garden freshness to your own table. Then our chef provides a cooking demonstration, walking you through the creative culinary process to combine fresh ingredients and serve up mouth-watering morsels.

\$150 ++ per person, plus \$500++ setup fee and \$3,500 Organic Garden site fee | 10–40 people | 120–150 minutes

Event includes lunch held in the Adventure Kitchen, upon request and dependent on availability.

## KITCHEN SKILLS COOKING CLASS

Suit up, sharpen your knives, and learn the techniques that every chef should know. Our culinary specialist, under the direction of Executive Chef Tim Wood, will teach you the tricks of the trade that will take your cooking skills to the next level and wow your guests at dinner parties. Be prepared to get to know your colleagues and friends better in the process!

\$180++ per person, plus \$750++ Adventure Kitchen setup fee and site fee | 10-40 people | 90-120 minutes



### **MESSAGE ON A BOTTLE: TEAM WINE DESIGN**

One of our signature events for creative competition! The goal: create your very own wine blend. The group splits up into teams of 4-8 people, and each team works together in sipping their way to a balanced blend of three grape varieties. Next: the Marketing Challenge. The vintners turn into the marketing team and design and produce a label for their bottles. They present the label to the group in a 30-second commercial. Teams are scored and awarded based on creativity, time management, following directions, and having fun.

Site fee plus \$500++ indoor setup or \$750++ outdoor setup | Sommelier's fee: \$600 | 12–80 people **Message on a Bottle only:** \$100++ per person

**Message on a Bottle with chef's choice of hors d'oeuvres and house wines:** \$150++ per person Larger groups are welcome but may require additional time, space, and AV setup; pricing will be quoted accordingly.

## SHAKE IT UP: MIXOLOGY MASTERS

Bartenders beware! In this laid-back event, participants receive a short lesson on the basics of spirits and mixers, as well as trade secrets for making a great cocktail. After being split into teams of 4-8 people, they are set free behind the bar to create the next great signature cocktail. The results are judged by a panel of professional bar-flies. To provide even more depth to the team-building activity, consider adding the Marketing Challenge, in which each team creates a full-page ad and acts out a 30-second commercial for their cocktail and the fictitious bar where it will be served.

Site fee plus \$500++ indoor setup or \$1,000++ outdoor setup | Mixologist's fee: \$600

Mixology Event only: \$85++ per person | 12 or more people | minimum 60 minutes

Mixology Event and Marketing Challenge: \$105++ per person | 12–80 participants | minimum 90 minutes

Enhance your event with hors d'oeuvres and bar beverages. Contact your Special Event Manager for details and pricing. (Additional setup fees may apply.)

#### SIP LIKE A SOMMELIER

Join our Sommelier for this engaging wine class that will develop your palate and demystify the world of wine. Each event includes a sampling of six or more wines, samplings of small bites that reflect how varietals pair with certain food flavors (sweet, salty, spicy, etc.), and seasonal topics for discussion. Perfect for all wine enthusiasts, from novice to connoisseur. Suggested themes:

Taste of Monterey County • Everything Bubbly • All Whites or All Reds
Old World vs. New World • California Explorer • Wines from Around the World

\$85 per person | \$600 Sommelier's fee | Site fee plus setup fee starting at \$300 | 90 minutes | 10–30 people; larger groups can be accommodated upon request. Enhance the experience with lunch or dinner; ask your Special Event Manager for pricing and menu options.



### **GOLFING AROUND**

At the heart of Carmel Valley Ranch's 500 acres, winding from the valley floor to the bluffs, is the only Pete Dye-designed course in northern California. This par-70 course has earned a reputation for its stunning views and friendly wildlife.

## **COURSE PLAY**

The Carmel Valley Ranch Golf Course is perfect for group outings and challenging enough for serious competition. Rental clubs are available. To book your group's rounds of golf, please call the Golf Shop directly at 831.620.6406.

Rates vary by season and group size.

## **NIGHT GOLF**

Beverage in one hand and wedge in the other, your guests can enjoy a nighttime twist on traditional golf. Night Golf takes place behind our Golf Clubhouse, overlooking our beautiful 18th green and driving range. Glow-in-the-dark balls, flagsticks, and greens set the tone while you and your group compete in a variety of games.

2000 + 20% service fee for 1 green | 3500 + 20% service fee for 2 greens | 5000 + 20% service fee for 3 greens

#### KAMIKAZE GOLF

Join our golf professionals for this zany spin on a time-honored classic! Enjoy a 4-hole course using a variety of "golf clubs," such as Frisbees, hockey sticks, tennis rackets and more. On every tee, the group will decide the best location for the best shot, and then all shoot from that location. The team score is calculated by how many throws or hits it takes to make contact with the pin!

\$100 per person + 20% service fee | 3–32 people



## FITNESS & RECREATION AT RIVER RANCH

Open to all resort guests, the River Ranch complex features a 5,200-square-foot fitness center for individual workouts and a variety of exercise classes, eight tennis courts, two saltwater swimming pools, three hot tubs, a children's activity cottage and playground area, bocce courts, a basketball hoop, ping pong table, and fire pits. Freshly prepared food and beverages are available all day long at our River Ranch Cafe. For information and private fitness-class bookings, please call 831.626.2525.

### **TENNIS**

Our world-class tennis pros from Peter Burwash International® are available to assist in creating special tennis events, including tournaments, cardio tennis classes, and clinics customized to your group's objectives.

Starting at \$30 per hour per court

#### **PICKLEBALL**

Come try one of the fastest growing sports in the country! Pickleball is the perfect group activity because it is fun, social, and easy to learn. Our PBI pros will be on-hand to teach you how to play and score. Each 2-hour session concludes with a tournament and prizes for the winners. Food and beverage may be arranged through your Special Events Manager.

\$700 for 2 hours | \$100 per additional hour | 4–16 players on up to 4 courts | Includes PBI coach, music and entertainment.

Formatting & pricing for larger groups available upon request.

## PRIVATE INDOOR OR OUTDOOR YOGA

Rebalance and rejuvenate with a private yoga class in a tranquil location. Choose a basic 60-minute indoor session or outdoors on one of our picturesque lawns. Or kick it up a notch with our 90-minute signature Hilltop Yoga class, which includes a short, breathtaking hike up to the yoga platform overlooking Robinson Canyon. Mats, towels and water are provided. Requires minimum 2 weeks' notice to book.

**Basic Yoga (indoor or outdoor):** \$300 for up to 10 people | \$30 per additional person, up to 20 people | 60 minutes

Hilltop Yoga: \$350 for up to 10 people | \$35 per additional person, up to 20 people | 90 minutes

# PRIVATE GROUP FITNESS CLASSES

Choose from any of our regularly offered indoor or outdoor group exercise classes as a private experience for your group. Selections include traditional classes such as Pilates, BODYPUMP, Indoor Cycling and TRX Training. Maximum number of participants may vary by studio size and equipment. Requires minimum 1 month's notice to book.

\$250 for up to 10 people | \$25 per additional person | 60–90 minutes



### **RELAXATION & REJUVENATION**

Day in and day out, driven individuals work their brains nonstop. But at Carmel Valley Ranch, we know that a relaxed mind thinks better. Our professionals at Spa Aiyana are here to help you recalibrate—mentally and physically. For more information or to book a spa experience for your group, call Spa Aiyana at 831.626.2586.

#### **SPA EXPERIENCE**

Spa Aiyana, reflecting a Native American term for "eternal blossom," takes its cues from the region to create an all-around luxury experience. Located adjacent to the Lodge Pool, the spa has 11 treatment rooms, most with private outdoor terraces. Three luxurious treatment suites are grouped in the same wing, perfect for private functions. The spa also features private men's and women's locker rooms with steam saunas, as well as a co-ed Relaxation Lounge. Pricing varies by treatment.

### **GUIDED IMAGERY**

Studies show that our bodies benefit from a 20-minute relaxation phase, bouncing back more creative and refreshed. Take a break from the business at hand by having one of our Spa Aiyana Relaxation Coordinators come to your meeting area and guide you through a short period of purposeful downtime, using words and music to evoke positive mental images and a refreshed view. Your group will focus better, accomplish more, and be more effective in a healthier way.

\$75++ for up to 30 people; more than 30 requires a second Relaxation Coordinator.

#### **CHAIR MASSAGES**

No time to visit the spa for a full massage? Our certified massage therapists will come to your break area, meeting space, or welcome reception, equipped with massage chairs ergonomically designed to offer full support of the head (face forward), arms, torso and legs. A workplace massage wellness program maintains a healthy, happy group that increases productivity and success.

\$150++ per hour and service provider | 6 people per service provider | 60 minutes

#### **BLENDING BAR**

An interactive spa-guided experience that brings together the highest quality organic ingredients with your childhood memories of making your own lotions and potions. Create bath salts, organic body butter, a creamy scrub, or all three, using your choice of 20 different essential oils. Then take home your creations as a luxurious memento of your experience here.

\$35 per person for 1 item, \$60 per person for 2, \$85 per person for 3 | 60-90 minutes