

FACT SHEET

Summary: Elk Cove Inn & Spa is a unique Mendocino ocean-view bed and breakfast featuring breathtaking views, farm-to-table cuisine, impeccable friendly service, and an elegant Day Spa. Centered around a beautiful Craftsman-style mansion from the late 1800s, there are also a variety of suites and cliffside cottages to choose from. No two are completely alike and every single room has its own special charm. Nestled in peaceful seclusion, the inn has direct access to Greenwood State Beach (which feels like a private beach). Exquisite dinners can be booked at their onsite restaurant, Sibo, and sumptuous breakfasts are included with the room. Lavish gardens that supply an ever-changing array of beautiful blooms and produce for the restaurant, as well as chickens, goats, and honeybees, complete the charming experience.

<u>Mission Statement</u>: Our Mission is to provide our guests with total relaxation, rejuvenation, and nourishment for their souls, while enjoying one of the most beautiful, unspoiled coasts in the world. We hope the homey atmosphere and stunning surroundings will give guests – and their pets – the experience of a lifetime.

<u>Location:</u> 6300 South Highway 1 Elk, CA 95432 17 miles south of the historic town of Mendocino

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Date Opened: 1968

Proprietors: Rakesh Taneja, Victor Passalacqua, Melissa Boon

Executive Chef: Victor Passalacqua

<u>History</u>: The Mendocino Coast was originally home to the Pomo Indians. The first European settlers in the area came in the 1800s and they were primarily loggers, attracted by the wood from the majestic giant redwoods. Elk was settled in the late 1800s by the Greenwood brothers, hunters and trappers who supplied mills and camps along the coast. The town got the name of Greenwood from these brothers, a name some still use, even though the town officially had to change its name to Elk because one of the Greenwood brothers established a town called Greenwood elsewhere. By 1890, Greenwood aka Elk was a thriving logging town with over a 1,000 people, sustained by 14 saloons, four dance halls, a barber, butcher shop, creamery, and several brothels. A man named L.E. White was one of the loggers who developed the area. In 1893, White built an executive guesthouse on the bluff overlooking his millpond, to accommodate visiting buyers in luxury while they negotiated the purchases of wood that helped to build San Francisco, and then rebuild the city after the Great Earthquake of 1906. That house is now the Elk Cove Inn.

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In 1968, the house was converted into one of the first bed and breakfasts on the Mendocino Coast and it has been an inn ever since. In 2018, retired hotelier Rakesh Taneja visited the area and fell in love with the quaint property and the sweeping vistas that accompany it. In May 2020, while everything was still shut down, husband and wife wine distributors and world travelers Melissa Boon and Victor Passalacqua formed a partnership with Rakesh to ensure the Inn would have a prosperous future.

Description: Located off California's scenic South Highway 1, 17 miles south of the historic town of Mendocino, Elk Cove Inn is a refuge for anyone seeking to connect with nature and themselves. The Craftsman Mansion that is the Inn's main house retains all the charm and elegance of the hospitality of yesteryear. With some of the most spectacular views on the coast, the Inn is surrounded by native trees, a creek, and the ocean, with private stairs to a driftwood-strewn beach below. Local shops and restaurants are within easy walking distance and guests can watch migrating whales and otters at play just steps from their room or from the Inn's signature gazebo. Then, they can relax in the hands of some of the North Coast's finest, professional therapists at the Inn's European-style Day Spa.

Accommodations:

- **Craftsman Mansion** This elegant late 1800s building has six guestrooms, three on the second floor and three on the first (two of these with their own private entrance and porch). Most of these have been updated in the past year with a comfortable blend of traditional and modern aesthetic. All rooms have their own amenities (Keurig coffee maker, small fridge and microwave) They also have a shared lounge area and roof top terrace. Two of the upper rooms have ocean views, and the others look out on the lovely garden, busy with bees, butterflies, and blossoms.
- **The Carriage House** These rooms feature vaulted, open-beam ceilings and unique window treatments or skylights that create a cozy retreat surrounded by natural beauty. The east facing room is ADA accessible while the west facing room has ocean views.
- **Cliffside Cottages** Stand-alone ocean front bungalows that are nestled in the embrace of a grove of Cypress trees and Greenwood Creek where it wanders out to the beach just below the view of the ocean. The Cottages have large picture windows, gas fireplaces or woodstoves, and include coffee makers, TVs, microwave ovens, and refrigerators. The cottages are rustic in style with hardwood floors, each with their own unique decor.
- Oceanfront Junior Suites Dramatic and well-appointed guest suites are perched on the bluff above Greenwood State Park Beach, with banks of windows filled with a view of Pacific Ocean, beach, and offshore sea stacks. Each suite is generously proportioned, with rich redwood cathedral ceilings, a sitting room, electric or gas fireplace (soon to be all gas), arts and crafts furniture, wet bar with Keurig coffeemaker, microwave, and refrigerator, a private balcony or stone patio, and a roomy bath with separate shower and Jacuzzi jet tub.

Guests choose from sixteen bespoke suites and rooms: Oceanview luxury suites, cliffside oceanfront cottages, affordable gardenview rooms, carriage house rooms, or elegant rooms in an historic mansion. All accommodations are individual in décor. All rooms have high-end European Sleep Works mattresses, robes, and buttery soft sheets and duvets by Comphy. Many of the rooms are pet-friendly – dogs are considered valued guests at the Inn.

Amenities Included with Stay:

- Decadent, complimentary breakfast with locally sourced ingredients including eggs from the own hens fifteen different ways, fruit from the gardens, homemade baked goods, and soon honey from the bees
- On-site spa offering massage services, peppermint foot scrub, and steam and sauna therapy
- Complimentary Wi-Fi internet access throughout the properties' buildings
- Stairs on the property that lead to a mile-long typically deserted beach
- Chargers for electric vehicles
- A short stroll to food and shopping
- Welcome basket
- Port wine and chocolate in the rooms
- A special gift bag for dogs

Meals:

We offer breakfast and dinner to guests daily. The on-site Sibo restaurant is open Thursday through Monday from 6pm to 7:30pm and a Grab & Go menu is available Tuesdays and Wednesdays. The bounteous, complimentary breakfast includes a dizzying array of choices, incorporating eggs from our own hens and produce from our gardens. In the evenings, Chef Victor, who has cooked with such luminaries as Paul Bocuse and Ferran Àdria, prepares European-style haute cuisine, incorporating the bounty of the gardens and meat that is raised humanely at the Inn. Meals can be enjoyed in the restaurant, on the ocean view terrace (weather permitting), or in-room.

BREAKFAST SERVICE – 8:30am to 9:30am. daily

A complimentary breakfast is served each morning from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. (delivered to the guests' room, or available to enjoy on our deck overlooking the Pacific ocean).

DINNER – 6pm to 7:30pm Thursday through Monday, Grab & Go on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

Dinners can be reserved Thursdays through Mondays while Grab & Go options are available on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. The menu showcases the finest local meats and seafood, and uses primarily local and sustainable products, harvesting as much as possible from our own gardens as well as eggs from our hens, and honey from our bees this summer. Dinners must be reserved with choice of entrée, dessert, and appetizer planned in advance so that there is no possibility of waste.

Melissa Boon is a certified sommelier and guests will find an extraordinary selection of local wines and beers on offer.

2022 Rates:

• \$245-545 per night

Rate is per night double occupancy and includes a daily breakfast.

Credit Cards: MasterCard, Visa, American Express, and Discover

<u>Getting to the Inn</u>: The Inn is about a 3-hour drive from San Francisco and less than a 2-hour drive from Santa Rosa Airport. For those who wish to bypass the scenic drive, private planes may land at the nearby Little River Airport.