

## **Chaminade Resort & Spa**

### **RESORT PROFILE**

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- Location:** The AAA Four Diamond award-winning Chaminade Resort & Spa is a spectacular mountaintop retreat in Santa Cruz. This historic Mission-style resort overlooks sweeping views of Monterey Bay and the Santa Cruz Mountains. Newly refreshed by a \$15 million dollar renovation, Chaminade is a luxurious destination for celebrations, getaways, and executive meetings. Guests will enjoy color palettes inspired by the California coast, contemporary Spanish furnishings, and superior amenities. Located only minutes from golf courses, the beach and downtown Santa Cruz, Chaminade allows guests an escape to a haven of unsurpassed service.
- Resort Profile:** As the first hospitality business in Santa Cruz County to receive a “Green Business Certification” for its environmental efforts, Chaminade was designed with leisure guest and conferences in mind. Located on 300 acres of native woodland, Chaminade has 156 sleeping rooms, 2 restaurants, a full-day spa, three miles of hiking trails, a fitness center, 4 tennis courts, and a swimming pool along with many other amenities. New contemporary Spanish furnishings reflect the history of Chaminade, while granite bathrooms, rich fabrics and innovative color palettes intertwine with the natural beauty of the California coast. For conference guests, Chaminade features more than 12,000-sq. ft. of meeting space, the latest in audio-visual equipment, ergonomic chairs and a wide variety of team-building activities.
- History:** Chaminade takes its name from Father William Joseph Chaminade, who founded the Society of Mary in the 1700s. In 1930, Chaminade Boys High School was opened on the site of Chaminade at Santa Cruz. The school was located in the current main building, where the resort's meeting rooms and restaurants are located.
- In World War II, Chaminade became a center for training priests in the Society of Mary. It continued in this role until the early 1970s, when Chaminade became a religious retreat. Chaminade was acquired in 1979, and then was converted into a hotel and conference facility.
- Operator:** Since 1988, Benchmark Hospitality International, a recognized leader in hotel, resort and conference centers around the world, has managed Chaminade. With more than 20 years of hospitality industry experience, Benchmark is the standard by which other hospitality management companies are measured.
- Climate:** Located above the fog, in Santa Cruz’s “Banana Belt,” Chaminade’s climate is pleasant year-round, averaging 300 sun-soaked days per year. Days are warm, with nights cool and pleasant.
- Distinctions:** Good Times, Best Brunch in Santa Cruz – Sunset Restaurant; AAA Four Diamond; Certified Green Business – First Resort in Santa Cruz County; Best of the West, Meetings Media Magazine, 2007, 2008, 2009; Platinum Choice Award, Smart Meetings Magazine, 2005, 2007, 2008, 2009

**Accommodations:** After a spectacular \$15 million dollar renovation, Chaminade's contemporary Spanish décor truly captures the resort's magnificent history, while granite bathrooms, rich fabrics and unique color palettes reflect the natural beauty of the California coast. From the panoramic views of Monterey Bay and the Santa Cruz Mountains, to superior amenities and unsurpassed service, Chaminade's mission-style resort offers a secluded location, with breathtaking beaches, championship golf and downtown excitement just minutes away.

**Restaurants:** Chaminade invites guests to savor a unique culinary experience featuring everything from sophisticated fine dining to innovative menus for breakfast, lunch and dinner.

***Sunset Restaurant***

The Sunset Restaurant is set high on a hill with the best panoramic views of the Monterey Bay. Bountiful buffets, using only the freshest ingredients, are offered for most meals.

***Linwood's Bar & Grill***

Linwood's offers a spectacular view of the bay and a delicious menu in a more casual setting. The outside patio is the perfect place to enjoy a beautiful sunset with one of Chaminade's signature cocktails. Linwood's offers four televisions, a cozy fireside indoor lounge, an outdoor fire pit and patio overlooking the Monterey Bay and a full bar with daily drink specials.

***Catering***

Chaminade's catering department will open up a world of creative and delicious options. Try a Mexican fiesta, a Texas barbecue or a seafood cookout, or arrange a special V.I.P. cocktail reception.

**Recreation:** Chaminade is an uncommonly beautiful escape in the heart of Santa Cruz, offering guests the opportunity to break a sweat in the fitness center, soak in the Jacuzzi, or play in the heated outdoor swimming pool. With over 300 days of annual sunshine, guests can play tennis, explore more than three miles of hiking trails, practice their game on one of the nearby golf courses, or set sail on the Monterey Bay. Chaminade is the gateway to the picturesque California coast, and the concierge is available to help guests plan activities.

**Spa:** The Spa at Chaminade sits high on a bluff overlooking a striking view of the Santa Cruz Mountains. The beauty and tranquility of the redwood forests and open sky is welcoming to Chaminade guests as they transform with a full array of relaxing, invigorating services designed to carry guests away from everyday stresses. The Spa is proud to offer a "Green Spa Experience" with holistic treatments and natural products, encouraging guests to make the connection between personal and planetary wellness.

**Conference and Banquet Facilities:** The absolute success of group meetings is Chaminade's highest priority. Chaminade's tranquil surroundings, sweeping views and beautifully landscaped grounds offer a perfect environment for a productive and distraction-free conference getaway. Chaminade's newly renovated main building provides 12,000 square feet of dedicated meeting space. Enjoy the luxuries of a resort combined with an International Association of Conference

Centers (IACC)-approved conference center. Unique team-building options and a convenient location – only 90 minutes from San Francisco, 35 minutes from San Jose and 40 minutes from Monterey – offer an ideal backdrop for each group’s professional endeavors.

**Weddings &  
Special Events:**

Chaminade’s breathtaking views of the Monterey Bay and rolling hills offer a storybook setting for celebrating life’s most cherished moments. The elegant location allows for outdoor events year-round beneath sunny skies or within Chaminade’s chic indoor venues. Whether guests are celebrating a family reunion, holiday party, bridal shower or wedding, Chaminade’s catering staff will make sure that each event is as perfect as it is memorable. For more than 20 years, special occasions at Chaminade have created lifelong memories.

**Concierge:**

The Chaminade Concierge assists guests with reservations or to offer suggestions for sightseeing opportunities. For those guests attending a conference, the Concierge will provide secretarial services including typing, photocopying, tele-faxing, overhead transparencies and express mail services.

**Business Services:**

Chaminade offers a complete Business Center offering a range of mailing and secretarial services including typing, photocopying, facsimile, translation, shipping and courier services. Also available to guests is state-of-the-art office equipment including computers, modem usage and laser printers.

**Transportation:**

Chaminade is conveniently located 65 miles from the San Francisco International Airport, 34 miles from San Jose International Airport, and 43 miles from the Monterey Peninsula Airport. Driving time is 90 minutes from San Francisco, 35 minutes from San Jose and 40 minutes from Monterey. Shuttle service is available for guests.

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