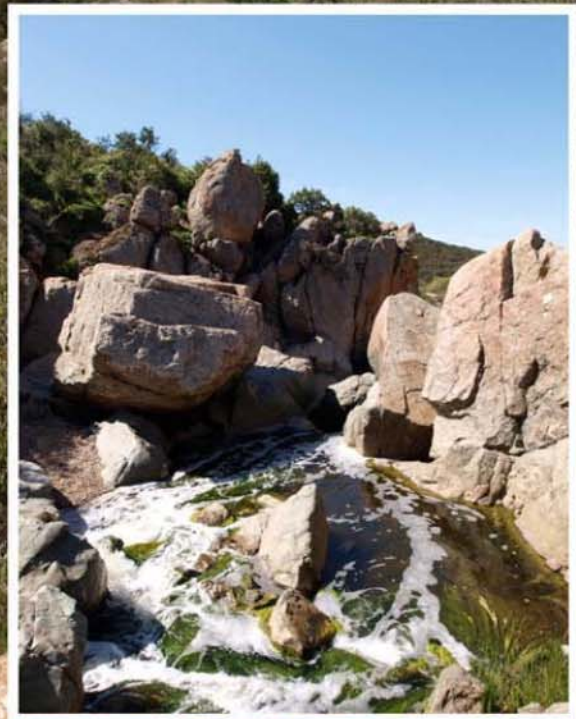


The Grand Del Mar

Where you think you are: an Italian Villa hidden in the countryside

Where you are: Del Mar near San Diego





The Grand Del Mar is the ultimate yin and yang style resort. Although it is super posh and offers the utmost in luxury, it sits alongside the Peñasquitos Canyon Preserve, a rugged outdoor playland.

The resort has all the bells and whistles one expects in an uber-luxe resort, from elegant rooms and suites, to multiple pools, tennis courts, and a spa. In addition, the Grand Del Mar is home to San Diego's only Tom Fazio-designed championship golf course.

Right alongside this haven of luxury is the Peñasquitos Canyon Preserve, a 4,100-acre natural preserve with 37 miles of hiking, biking and horseback riding trails. Here, an abundance of wildlife and plant species converge amidst verdant meadows, rugged canyons, grassy hills, trickling streams, fish-filled ponds, a cascading waterfall, and tree-lined trails.

The Grand Del Mar offers a complete activities

program, spearheaded by an onsite naturalist who orchestrates a line-up of recreational events – such as nature walks, children's canyon expeditions and mountain bike tours – so guests may fully enjoy the Los Peñasquitos Canyon Preserve and its beautiful canyon setting.

After a long day of braving the wild outdoors, the 21,000 square foot Renaissance-inspired spa is a welcoming oasis. The signature "Renaissance" treatment is one not to miss, as part of it takes place on a Dry Pack spa bed, which gives you the feeling of weightlessness.

While on the property it is unimaginable to think that you are only a mere 20 minutes from San Diego. Instead you feel as though you landed in a Mediterranean villa lost in a natural preserve.

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