



*Once in awhile
we stumble
across
a place that is
so close to
flawless...*

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FACT SHEET

NAME: HONOR MANSION

The Honor Mansion has continually re-invented itself over the past 12+ years. In an effort to keep current on guests' wants and needs, the Fowlers have listened carefully and implemented changes toward guest comfort creating a new type of destination in the wine country, a "Resort Inn." While most properties are heading toward "trendy" or "hip," the Honor Mansion is all about comfort and pampering. No small properties have embarked on taking a bed & breakfast to the level that the Fowlers have. With only 13 rooms, they spent in excess of \$1.5 million to develop the resort grounds. Starting with a complete remodel of the existing 40-foot lap pool, they developed their additional three acres adding a tennis court, two regulation bocce courts, half court basketball, competition croquet lawn and a PGA putting green fashioned after one green at the acclaimed Mayacama Golf Club in Windsor, CA. In addition, there is a quarter mile jogging/walking trail, one quarter acre of Zinfandel vines, a perennial cutting garden as well as vegetable and herb gardens. The grounds are outlined by over 120 rose bushes. Maintaining their AAA four diamond rating for eight consecutive years, an award that only the Honor Mansion holds in Healdsburg, the Fowlers have ramped up their service to include a room service menu, on site massage therapy and no charge for the resort facilities (equipment included). The property has something for everyone. With three different levels of rooms and rates they can fulfill desires from a broad range of travelers. Five rooms inside the main house which would be described as "Bed & Breakfast" style but with more comforts such as TVs, phones with voice mail, complimentary wireless internet access (entire property), as well as a house computer available to all guests 24/7. Not to mention all of the other complimentary amenities available 24 hours a day; Cappuccino machine, soda fridge, snacks, cookies, sherry and of course the wine and appetizer hour, which often



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ends up being three hours. All of the other Cottages and Suites are detached and very private. Seven of the exterior rooms have private spa tubs on private covered decks. The Honor Mansion has become the premier destination in the wine country hosting guests from all over the world. The majority of their guests stay a minimum of 5+ nights. The Honor Mansion is truly a hidden jewel in the wine country.

OWNERS: Steve and Cathi Fowler

LOCATION: Honor Mansion is located in Healdsburg, California, 80 miles north of San Francisco and at the gateway to the Dry Creek, Alexander and Russian River valleys, in the heart of Sonoma Wine Country.

DESCRIPTION: The Honor Mansion, built in 1883 in the Italianate Victorian style, was originally owned by William S. Butcher, a wealthy cattleman and amateur botanist. However, the mansion bears the name of Dr. Herbert Honor, whose family owned it for more than 100 years. The present owners, the Fowlers, bought the Honor Mansion in 1994 and completely restored the building to its original splendor. Its thirteen accommodations include:

- ❖ Vineyard Suite I (Dono del Cielo)
- ❖ Vineyard Suite II (Diamo Grazie)
- ❖ Vineyard Suite III (Romanza)
- ❖ Vineyard Suite IV (Conforto)
- ❖ Garden Suite
- ❖ Pool Suite
- ❖ Tower Suite
- ❖ Squire's Cottage
- ❖ Wisteria Room
- ❖ Magnolia Room
- ❖ Dogwood Room
- ❖ Camellia Room
- ❖ Angel Oak Room

ACCOLADES: AAA Four Diamond Award
2007 NBC San Diego Viewers Choice Award

ACCOMMODATIONS: Vineyard Suite I (Dono del Cielo) - This suite has also been named "Dono del Cielo", which means "gift from heaven." This large suite features a king-sized bed; lavender and taupe décor, with silver bisque furniture accents; corner fireplace which can be viewed from the sofa, the soaking tub, or the bed; large slate and quartzite tiled bath with two-headed shower and soaking tub; outdoor garden spa tub for two with private sun deck; full wet bar and coffee service; television and VCR (with a library of tapes);

stereo and CD player; a lovely exterior water fountain, vineyard views and private parking. Handicapped accessible.

Vineyard Suite II (Diamo Grazie) – This luxurious suite features a king-sized bed; ruby and butterscotch décor, with gold leaf furniture accents; incredible double sided fireplace; huge slate and quartzite tiled bath with two-headed shower and soaking tub; outdoor garden spa tub for two with private sun deck; full wet bar and coffee service; television and VCR (with a library of tapes); stereo and CD player; an exterior fountain, vineyard views and private parking.

Vineyard Suite III (Romanza) – This suite, one of the newest additions to the resort, features a king-sized four poster bed; “Tommy Bahama” décor, with rattan and earth tone furniture accents; large gas fireplace viewable from the bedroom or sitting area; huge slate tiled bath with two-headed shower and soaking tub; outdoor garden spa tub for two with private sun deck; full wet bar and coffee service; television and VCR (with a library of tapes); stereo and CD player; an exterior fountain, vineyard views and private parking.

Vineyard Suite IV (Conforto) – This suite features a king-sized four poster bed; deep red and gold décor, with leather furniture accents; double sided fireplace; huge slate and quartzite tiled bath with two-headed shower and soaking tub; outdoor garden spa tub for two with private sun deck; full wet bar and coffee service; television and VCR (with a library of tapes); stereo and CD player; an exterior fountain, vineyard views and private parking. Handicapped accessible.

Garden Suite - This private suite features a king-sized bed with jeweled tone linens; large tiled bath with two-headed shower/tub; outdoor garden spa tub for two; full wet bar and coffee service; television and VCR (with a library of tapes); stereo and CD player; fireplace; private access to the swimming pool; and three private deck/porch areas to view the sunrise or sunset.

Poolside Suite - This two-room haven ensures private access to the pool, adjacent the private deck. Luxuriously decorated, this suite features a queen-sized leather sleigh bed; large tiled bath with dual shower; garden spa tub for two on the private patio; full wet bar and coffee service; two televisions and VCRs (with a library of tapes); and a fireplace.

Tower Suite - This romantic private suite features on the first of its two floors, a queen-sized bed; tiled bath with two-headed shower; outdoor garden spa tub for two; private access to the swimming pool and private sun deck; The second floor features a living room area with day bed; fireplace; full wet bar; television and VCR (with a library of tapes); a wonderful view of the vineyard beyond the pool area.

Squire's Cottage - Set apart from the main house, a cobblestone walk leads guests to this private oasis. Decorated with a blend of antiques and contemporary touches, this open, airy cottage features a king-sized canopy bed, draped with luxurious European linens; large bath with tiled shower and claw-foot soaking tub; cozy sitting area; wet bar and refrigerator; television, VCR (with a library of tapes), stereo and CD player; fireplace; and private deck area with a view of the koi fish pond.

Wisteria Room - This floral room features an antique queen-sized bed accented with hand-carved roses; large bathroom with claw-foot soaking tub/shower and pedestal sink; sitting area; television; fireplace; coffee; refrigerator and a secluded porch looking out over the mansion grounds with wicker furniture and canvas curtains.

Magnolia Room - The highlight of this room is the view of the property's 100-year-old magnolia tree. Other features include a hand-carved four-poster bed with finely appointed cream damask bed coverlet; bright bath with large tiled shower; well-lighted sitting area with sofa; and hand-painted swags.

Dogwood Room - This room decorated in warm shades of burgundy and cream features a queen-sized sleigh bed and loveseat; large tiled bath with claw-foot bathtub/shower; and a well-lighted seating area.

Camellia Room - Featuring an antique queen-sized bed dressed in elegant black and white with silver accents, this room also includes a private bath with large tiled shower; and the sounds of a gentle waterfall from the koi pond below.

Angel Oak Room - This intimate room features a queen-sized bed with handmade patchwork quilt; large claw-foot bathtub/shower; and hand-painted "trompe l'oeuil" murals. A newly added upstairs private deck affords wonderful views of the property and overlooks the pool, rose garden and croquet lawn.

GUEST AMENITIES:

In-room amenities include European linens; down comforters and feather beds; private baths; Egyptian cotton towels; luxurious imported toiletries; winter and summer bathrobes; slippers; hair dryers; makeup mirrors; irons and ironing boards; lap desks; telephones/fax modem; wireless high speed internet access; spring water; period antiques; and seasonal fresh flowers. Massage services are also available to guests, either in room or poolside under a private tented area.

In-house amenities include inviting common areas; furnishings that range from country casual to Chippendale and English oak pieces, as well as carefully selected antiques; full turndown service; concierge service; 24-hour espresso and cappuccino machine services; afternoon tea and refreshments daily at 4 p.m.; wine and appetizer hour daily at 5 p.m., featuring a selection of local wines paired with an array of gourmet appetizers; evening sherry; an endless supply of cookies and tea biscuits; a refrigerator stocked with soft drinks; parlor games available for rainy days; a computer for guest use and a gift shop.

Outdoor features include a swimming pool; tournament bocce ball court; PGA designed putting green; regulation croquet lawn; har-tru tennis court; half court basketball; 100-year-old magnolia, sequoia and oak trees; well-manicured walking gardens with secret sitting spots; koi fish pond; classical rose garden; herb garden; fountains; and porches and decks for relaxing.

DINING:

The Honor Mansion provides a full buffet gourmet breakfast for its guests that includes only the finest ingredients. In addition to taking advantage of Sonoma's bounty of organic products, the Fowlers also incorporate local wines and ports into their cooking. Even the fruit off the inn's trees gets used in some dishes!

Fresh juice, a selection of freshly ground coffee or a full assortment of teas and cocoas start off guests' mornings. Specialty drinks such as cappuccino or cafe latte can be made as well. This is followed by a breakfast buffet consisting of multiple entrees. Guests are served on antique china, silver and crystal and may breakfast either in the dining room, outside on the redwood deck overlooking the koi fishpond, or in their rooms. Arrangements also can be made for a private continental breakfast for two.

Visiting chef series' and special vintners' dinners are held at certain times of the year, allowing guests to experience more than just breakfast at the inn. The Fowlers also are happy to make

recommendations and reservations at fine local restaurants for guests.

RATES: \$220 to \$550, depending on room or suite, availability and season

TRANSPORTATION: The following airlines serve San Francisco International Airport (approximately 80 miles from the Honor Mansion):

Air Canada; America West; American; American Eagle; Continental; Delta; Frontier; Midwest Express; Northwest; Skywest; Southwest; Sun Country; TWA; United (which offers shuttle service to Sonoma County airport which is within 15 minutes of the Inn); US Airways; and Virgin Atlantic

Major rental car companies at San Francisco International Airport include Alamo, Avis, Budget, Dollar, Enterprise, Hertz, National and Thrifty.

ON PROPERTY RECREATION:

Croquet
Tennis
Swimming
Basketball
Golf (Putting only)
Massage

AREA RECREATION: Sonoma County wine tasting

Hot air ballooning
Jeep tours
Spas
Galleries
Museums
Historic homes
Antiquing
Shopping
Golf
Tennis
Hiking
Bicycling
Canoeing
Swimming
Rafting
Water skiing
Boating

Fishing

AREA ATTRACTIONS: Downtown Healdsburg, only a ten-minute walk from the inn, provides guests with a plethora of recreational options:

Numerous tasting rooms for award winning wineries
Summerhouse Western & Wildlife Gallery
The Artful Eye (art gallery)
Healdsburg Museum
Spa off the Plaza
Antique Harvest
Healdsburg Classics (antiques)
Irish Cottage (antiques)
Baksheesh
Healdsburg Spoke Folk Cyclery
Farmers Market
Windsor Golf Club
Healdsburg Veteran's Memorial Beach (picnicking)

Other nearby attractions include:

Aerostat Adventures (ballooning)
Boating, fishing, hiking and picnicking at Lake Sonoma
Armstrong Redwoods State Reserve (hiking)
Trowbridge Canoe Trips
Wine Country Jeep Tours

Wine tasting at some of the resort's favorite wineries:

In the Alexander Valley - Alexander Valley Vineyard, Chateau Souverain, Clos du Bois, Jordan Vineyard & Winery, Hanna Winery, Kendall-Jackson Winery, Silver Oak Cellars, Simi Winery and Stryker Sonoma.

In the Russian River Valley - Belvedere Winery, Christopher Creek, DeLoach Vineyard, Hop Kiln Winery, J Wine Co., Korbel Champagne Cellars, Limerick Lane, Rabbit Ridge, Rochioli, Rodney Strong, Sonoma-Cutrer Vineyards.

In the Dry Creek Valley - Alderbrook Vineyards, Armida Winery, Bella Vineyards, Everett Ridge, Ferrari-Carano Vineyard, Dry Creek Vineyard, J. Fritz Winery, Rodney Strong Vineyards, Lambert Bridge Winery, Mazzocco Vineyards, Michel-Schlumberger, Mill Creek Vineyards, Passsalacqua, Preston

Vineyards, Quivira Vineyards, Seghesio Family Vineyards, Unti Vineyards, Yoakim Bridge.

In the Sonoma Valley - Benziger Family Winery, Chateau St. Jean, Gundlach-Bundschu Winery, Kenwood Vineyards, Matanzas Creek, Ravenswood Winery, Robert Stemmler Winery.

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