

FACT SHEET

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The Hermosa Inn is a boutique hotel and meeting site centrally located between Phoenix and Scottsdale in the exclusive residential neighborhood of Paradise Valley. The hotel is within minutes of prestigious shopping, sporting event facilities, golf, galleries, museums, entertainment venues and major business corridors.

DESCRIPTION:

Beautifully situated on more than six acres of lush desert landscape with views of renowned Camelback Mountain, The Hermosa Inn is an authentic southwestern hacienda offering 35 individually decorated guest rooms and suites. Adobe brick construction, secluded patios, working fireplaces, courtyards with whirlpool spas and an abundance of artistic details add to the charm and seclusion of these unique accommodations.

Picturesque lawns, desert gardens and flower-lined stone walkways link four types of guestrooms to the historic main building, home to the award-winning *LON's at the hermosa* restaurant. The main building also includes restored portions of the home and studio constructed by cowboy artist Lon Megargee in the 1930s, the hotel's unique private function rooms, and a captivating underground Wine Cellar and private dining room.

OPENED:

Casa Hermosa, the original Inn, opened in 1936.
The full restoration of The Hermosa Inn was completed October 1, 1994.
The underground Wine Cellar, the Library and the Boardroom were added and completed in January 2003.

OWNERSHIP/ MANAGEMENT

Spring Creek Development, Scottsdale, AZ
Mike Gildersleeve, General Manager

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AFFILIATIONS: Historic Hotels of America

HISTORY: Inspired by the architecture he studied in Spain and Mexico, cowboy artist Lon Megargee built a one-room adobe studio and residence in the early 1930s on a spectacular tract of Arizona desert now known as Paradise Valley. In the following years he utilized indigenous materials and his artistic ability to create the unique Southwestern home he named Casa Hermosa (Beautiful Home). After several additions, Megargee's private hacienda was converted into a guest ranch and, eventually, an inn. Over the years, Casa Hermosa Inn evolved with different owners adding a swimming pool, tennis courts, casitas and villas.

In 1987, a fire damaged the main building encompassing Megargee's original home. Intrigued by the property's colorful past and its potential as a desert hideaway, Paradise Valley residents Fred and Jennifer Unger purchased the hotel in 1992 and spearheaded a restoration project designed to reclaim the original charm, timeless quality and tradition of the historic structure.

Today, The Hermosa Inn offers visitors the unique opportunity to experience the rustic elegance of one of the Southwest's few remaining authentic haciendas.

ARCHITECTURE/ DESIGN: Originally constructed by hand by cowboy artist Lon Megargee as a private residence and studio, The Hermosa Inn's historical charm is expressed through the use of traditional Southwestern architecture, adobe bricks, wood beams, hand-painted Mexican tile and many one-of-a-kind embellishments reflecting its unique artistic heritage.

The residential ambiance of the hotel's main building welcomes guests with an intimate check-in area, cozy lounge and interesting hallways connecting to charming public areas, one-of-a-kind meeting rooms and secluded patios. Decorative accents abound throughout, from fireplaces and Stetson hats to Megargee's own original paintings and other works of Western art.

Luxurious Southwestern-style appointments in 35 unique guestrooms include beamed vaulted ceilings, rustic tile floors, beehive fireplaces, oversized hand-carved furniture, hand-painted Mexican tile and custom artwork.

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ACCOMMODATIONS: The hotel's 35 accommodations offer the unusual appeal that no two rooms are alike. All room rates include a bountiful Continental breakfast buffet, served daily. The inclusive room rate ensures no additional service fees are charged. All accommodations are non-smoking indoors.

The Hermosa Inn features four types of accommodations:

RANCHOS: Cozy yet spacious, Ranchos offer up to 420 square feet and have either one king or two queen beds with a sitting area, wet bar and refrigerated amenities. Interesting features include hand crafted adobe brick, plantation window shutters, and patios with garden and desert views. Most have beehive fireplaces.

CASITAS: Encompassing approximately 600 square feet with one king or queen bed, each Casita has a living room or sitting area, wet bar, refrigerated amenities, plantation window shutters and a patio with garden or desert view. Many have vaulted ceilings, skylights, beehive fireplaces, and some surround a courtyard with a semi-private whirlpool spa. Some Casitas can adjoin a Hacienda to create a two- bedroom suite.

HACIENDA SUITES: These luxurious one-bedroom suites measure 700 square feet and feature a living room, fireplace, wet bar, refrigerated amenities and patio with semi-private whirlpool spa. Design features include adobe brick, plantation window shutters, French doors and cathedral ceilings. The separate king bedroom adjoins a hand-painted tiled bathroom. Haciendas can adjoin a Casita on one or two sides to create a two- or three-bedroom suite.

VILLA SUITES: These free standing 1,550-square-foot homes are the hotel's largest and most luxurious accommodations. All offer two full bedrooms and two bathrooms, large living rooms, fully equipped kitchens, dining areas, and private front and rear patios. Special design features include a cathedral ceiling with wood-beamed and glass skylight, huge adobe fireplace and a wet bar. Options include one king/two queen beds or four queen beds.

17	Ranchos
11	Casitas
3	Haciendas
4	Villas
35	Total Accommodations

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**GUEST ROOM
AMENITIES:**

The hotel's unique and spacious accommodations feature:

- Wireless high-speed Internet access, digital movies, CD players
- High definition flat screen televisions
- Telephones with dataports
- Working beehive fireplaces in most rooms
- Private patios; some offer a secluded whirlpool spa
- Kitchens, complimentary coffee
- Plush bathrobes
- Hair dryers and irons

GUEST SERVICES:

- Concierge services
- Full breakfast buffet (included in \$12 Hospitality fee)
- Rental cars delivered to the hotel
- Business services
- Room service from the famous kitchen of LON's restaurant
- Same-day laundry and dry cleaning; One-hour and overnight pressing

Check in time is 3 p.m. Check out time is noon.

DINING:

LON's: Executive Chef Michael Rusconi presents *Artful American Cuisine*—a bold and contemporary take on the multitude of foods originating in the Western Hemisphere, with a nod to both the past and the present. Rusconi's bold and contemporary take on original American flavors features robust entrees of wood-grilled beef tenderloin, ancho spiced grilled salmon or pecan roasted pork chop with prickly pear braised cabbage plus a chef's special-themed tasting menu most nights. Entrees range from \$21 to \$34 for dinner.

With wood-beamed ceilings and adobe, the ruggedly elegant dining room features not only the artwork of Lon Megargee, but also captures the essence of this colorful cowboy's era. Vintage Western artifacts and beehive fireplaces accent the meandering dining space, creating a welcoming and intimate atmosphere. The restaurant seats 190 indoors.

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DINING continued:

LON's Patio: Boasting breathtaking views of Camelback Mountain, the expansive and lushly landscaped patio seats 76. With a massive wood-burning fireplace, a stunning stone fountain and several wrought iron chimneas, the patio is the perfect setting for savoring vivid mountain sunsets and balmy Arizona nights.

The Bar: Guests can sit at the rough hewn bar or relax in front of one of three small beehive fireplaces, each flanked by leather wing-backed chairs. Weathered southwestern rugs, decorative ironworks and leather-seated banquettes add to the allure of the Old West, while a wood-framed window offers a beautiful view of the courtyard. LON's full dinner menu is available as is an *intermezzo* menu, offered between lunch and dinner.

Private Dining: The Library, Boardroom and Stetson Room are available for private parties as is the underground Wine Cellar with its award-winning 7000 bottle collection. Fitted with a rugged trestle table that seats private parties of up to 12, the Cellar sets a dramatic stage for Chef Rusconi culinary art.

Hours: Lunch: Monday through Friday, 11:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Sunday Hacienda Brunch: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Dinner in LON's: Nightly 6 – 10 p.m.

ACTIVITIES AND RECREATION

- Guests of The Hermosa Inn are invited to enjoy the exercise facilities at an exclusive fitness club located three minutes from the resort.
- Swimming pool and two whirlpool spas
- Tennis court with lessons available from a certified tennis professional
- In-room massage service; additional services available at nearby celebrated spas including Alvalora at Royal Palms and The Spa at Camelback Inn
- Golf may be arranged at many of the acclaimed courses in Scottsdale, Paradise Valley and Phoenix including Arizona Biltmore, The Phoenician, Talking Stick and Troon North.
- Mountain hiking, soft terrain jogging and walking paths along nearby canals
- Desert Hummer and Jeep tours of the scenic Sonoran Desert
- Horseback riding (nearby)
- Hot air balloons adventures

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MEETING AND SPECIAL EVENT FACILITIES:

A unique aspect of The Hermosa Inn meeting experience is the variety of private rooms and secluded outdoor spaces conducive to the exchange of ideas and information. Each meeting room has been crafted and designed with the same commitment to authentic hacienda style found throughout the hotel. These rooms feature a classic Arizona character that will add a unique and memorable dimension to any meeting experience.

The Stetson Room: Spanish Colonial style blends with the colors of the surrounding desert in the largest of the hotel's meeting facilities with theater-style seating for up to 70. A fireplace, unusual ceiling ornamentation, adjoining outdoor patio and paintings by Lon Megargee create an exceptional meeting environment. The **Desert Garden** is a perfect reception area for the Stetson Room.

The Boardroom: Luxurious, casual comfort abounds in this beautifully appointed boardroom seating up to 20. A private adjoining patio with a fountain and lush plantings is ideal for coffee breaks.

The Library: A classic setting with seating for up to 50, theater-style, this room offers the delightful surprise of a folding bookcase that opens into the elegant adjoining Boardroom. The Library's private patio features a fireplace for informal get togethers.

The Wine Cellar A dramatic stone staircase winds below ground to one of Arizona's most intriguing meeting and private dining venues. The Wine Cellar has seating for up to 12 at a rustic trestle table. Reclaimed wood beams and trusses provide an authentic counterpoint to the collection of nearly 1,000 bottles of award-winning wines lining the walls.

A special advantage of the inn's quiet rustic but luxurious setting is the opportunity to meet outdoors under Arizona's famous blue skies amid abundant desert landscaping.

Meeting support services include:

- High speed Internet connections in meeting rooms
- Banquet and catering services
- Business services
- Transportation and destination services
- Audio/visual support
- Corporate gifts
- Floral décor and event design

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