

GREEN INITIATIVES



Green Initiative Highlights

QUICK FACTS

Smart Stars Winner for Best Eco/
Green Hotel 2015, 2016, 2017 & 2018

The Hotel actively participates in the Save Our Shores Adopt-A-Beach program and was awarded by the organization the 2013 Business of the Year for our efforts towards keeping our beaches clean

Portola Hotel & Spa at Monterey Bay is proud to be the recipient of the 2011 Governor's Environmental and Economic Leadership Award (GEELA) and the California Integrated Waste Management Board's WRAP (Waste Reduction Awards Program) Award 15 years in a row

The Portola Hotel & Spa at Monterey Bay is honored to be U.S. Green Building Council LEED® Certified becoming the first "Green" Hotel in central California, the third Hotel in California and the sixth Hotel in the U.S. to attain this high level in the "Existing Building" Category

- Experienced in executing zero waste conferences and meetings for groups up to 900
- Actively participates in the Monterey Bay Aquarium's Seafood Watch® Program, designed to raise awareness about the importance of making ocean-friendly seafood choices
- Environmentally friendly vendor suggestions, as well as, biodegradable badges and other green items
- Landscaping featuring native and drought tolerant vegetation and drip irrigation controlled by weather conditions
- The Hotel produces hot water with cogeneration which simultaneously generates electricity on site
- Bathrooms have low flow faucets, shower heads, toilets and urinals reducing indoor water consumption
- The Ozone laundry system reduces water and energy consumption with enzyme-based laundry detergents for cleaning linens and towels
- Soft Touch Group room amenity products and packages are made from renewable material and are bio-degradable
- All mattresses are hypoallergenic and made with 100% organic cotton and recycled metal springs
- Distributes sales and catering information electronically or via flash drives
- Installed energy-efficient lighting throughout the Portola Hotel and the Spa on the Plaza through the AMBAG Energy Watch Program
- Portola Hotel & Spa participates in the Monterey Regional Food Scrap/Composting Program in an effort to benefit the environment by reducing waste to the local landfills
- Portola Hotel & Spa allows guests to offset 100% of their carbon footprint by purchasing Renewable Energy Credits
- Membership in the U.S. Green Building Council, the Recycled Paper Coalition, the Green Business Partnership, the Green Meeting Industry Council and the EPA's Waste Wise Program and recipient of the Monterey Bay area Green Business Certification



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GREEN MEETINGS



TEAM BUILDING

Beach Clean-ups with Portola Green LEEDer Ambassadors at Portola's adopted beach, in partnership with Save Our Shores.

As Monterey's first and only U.S. Green Building Council's LEED® Certified hotel, we are proud to offer meeting and event planners the opportunity to create sustainable and eco-friendly meetings. We take pride in our environment and do our best to support the green efforts of the community as well as implement our own eco-friendly initiatives at the Portola Hotel & Spa. We are as dedicated to the environment as we are to your business.

Green Meetings & Events

- Zero waste meetings & events
- Composting of post-consumer organic wastes
- Video conferencing
- Environmentally friendly vendor & exhibit company suggestions
- Open communication regarding the use of reusable or recyclable packing & materials
- Earth-friendly plastic & paper goods
- The utilization of China, glassware & silverware, replacing the use of to-go cups
- Organic & sustainable menu options (including Seafood Watch® Program)

Plan Your Next Green Meeting

To learn more about how you can make your next meeting green please contact us by calling (831) 649-4511 or by email at sales@portolahotel.com.

