

# GREEN INITIATIVES

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## Green Initiative Highlights

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### QUICK FACTS

Smart Meetings Smart Stars “Best Eco/Green Hotel” 2015, 2016, 2017 & 2018

Portola Hotel & Spa at Monterey Bay is proud to be the recipient of the 2011 Governor’s Environmental and Economic Leadership Award (GEELA)

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

Honored in 2018 by the Monterey Bay Aquarium for Contributions to Ocean Conservation through continued efforts to implement green initiatives at the Portola Hotel & Spa

- Experienced in executing Reduced 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
- 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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