



## Welcome to The Sea Ranch

We hope you will enjoy it as much as we do. The Sea Ranch is a community built to suit the landscape, designed to fit into the nature surrounding us: to create harmony with the landscape, animals, and our neighbors. Residents and part-timers alike share this vision. A founding precept, is to live lightly on the land.

Renters/guests are invited to use the same trails and amenities that owners appreciate: beaches, pools, picnic areas, tennis courts, Chapel, airstrip, library, and many more. But, The Sea Ranch is not a resort. Lawrence Halprin, the original landscape designer stated, "resort implies no responsibility - you are just there for fun – to escape responsibility." Here, responsibility to the environment, plants, animals, and residents, is paramount.

Our houses are not built to stand out. Instead, we strive to make our houses fit in and let our surroundings be the star. We have accepted the responsibility to act as conservators of the land, nurturing our native plants and protecting wild animals by leaving them wild. We don't feed them. We aim lights downward and turn off unneeded lights so we can see the stars at night, and keep our lights and flickering TV's out of our neighbors' houses. Outside lights go off when not needed and curtains or shades are lowered at night to keep light away from neighbors and off surrounding meadows.

We value the community here and the social life it affords us, but we also cherish our solitude and privacy. We are careful of each other's property and property lines, and the commons areas that provide the peaceful surroundings we enjoy. The entire Sea Ranch is a No-Drone fly zone. We soak in the sounds of the ocean, birds, and wind, and the quietude of our redwood forests. Please do not disturb others with loud noise and observe our daily quiet hours from 9 pm to 7 am.

Our 50 miles of trails will lead you along the breath-taking ocean bluff to black, brown, and white sand beaches, through open meadows abuzz with birds and bees, and redwood forests so tall they block the sun. Watch for wildflowers everywhere in the spring. We heed the trail signs and use the trails as intended. No bikes on the Bluff Trail. Those of us with dogs clean up after them and keep them on a leash. The fire danger is often high. Absolutely no fireworks ever and smoking is not allowed on commons, trails, roads, and recreation centers. Celebrate fire prevention - come visit The Sea Ranch sheep and goats, our animal weed eaters.

Enjoy the beauty, but beware nature's dangers. Don't stand on bluff edges, or let young children or dogs run ahead of you on bluff trails or hedgerows that end 40 or more feet down in rough ocean waters. Heed signs when there are algae blooms in the river. We invite you to join with us, live like Sea Ranchers while you are here! Take full advantage of all that is offered and enjoy your stay, whether it's for a day or two or the foreseeable future. We hope that someday you will become our neighbor.