

 elCapitan Canyon

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## Where Grand Adventures Begin

Enjoy the services and amenities typical of a traditional resort, while surrounding yourself with nature and all of its wonders. Indulge in the minimalism without deprivation and the comfort without excess that is El Capitan Canyon.

### Make the most of your stay.

“Something for everyone” isn’t just a saying at El Capitan Canyon, it’s our mantra. Our spectacular settings with views of the Gaviota Coast, Pacific Ocean, and Santa Ynez Mountains provide a stunning backdrop for activities and adventure. Tag along on one of our docent-led hikes on the Selma Rubin Trail. Experience our organic garden, llama farm, and breathtaking views. Explore the picturesque grounds with a hike along one of the many trails to marvel at the 2500 acres of protected State Park land that surrounds us. On property, you can take a dip in our heated pool, checkout complimentary adult bicycles for a cruise around the Canyon, or indulge in a spa treatment at our quintessential Canyon Spa and Garden. Seasonally, we offer yoga, stargazing, docent-led beach runs, wine tasting and, every Saturday from Memorial Day to Labor Day, our ever-popular Summer BBQ and Canyon Concert Series.

After a restful night’s sleep or an active day at the beach, be sure to stop by our Canyon Market. Not your typical campground store, our market carries anything happy campers require; organic groceries, Santa Barbara wines, candles, sunscreen and other sundry items, books, newspapers, and signature retail items such as clothing and jewelry created by local artisans. Order a latte before your morning hike, a picnic lunch for the beach, or one of our delicious BBQ kits for dinner. The Canyon Market is a great meeting place to enjoy comfortable surroundings, gather with friends, catch up on reading, or check your emails.

We are committed to providing each guest with comfortable accommodations amidst our beautiful surroundings. Please don’t hesitate to contact us if there is anything we can do to assist you.



## Guest Information

### FRONT DESK & RESERVATIONS

Dial 532  
From outside the Canyon -  
Call (866) 352-2729

### CANYON MARKET

Dial 535

### ENTRANCE KIOSK

Dial 741  
From outside the Canyon -  
Call (805) 879-0707

### GROUP SALES & EVENTS OFFICE

Dial 793

### SECURITY AFTER HOURS (11:00 PM - 7:00 AM)

Cell: (805) 448-6287

In the event of an emergency,  
please dial 911.



**LOCATION**

Located on the coast just north of Santa Barbara and 10 minutes from the Santa Barbara Airport and the Goleta Amtrak station.

11560 Calle Real  
 Santa Barbara, CA 93117  
 Phone: (805) 685-3887  
 Reservations: (866) 352-2729

**DRIVING DIRECTIONS**

**Approaching El Capitan Canyon from the South:**

US Highway 101 North. Continue past Santa Barbara and Goleta. Exit at El Capitan State Beach, exit number 117. Continue straight on Calle Real (frontage road). Entrance on right: El Capitan Canyon.

**Approaching El Capitan Canyon from the North:**

US Highway 101 South. Continue past Buellton and Gaviota. Exit at El Capitan State Beach, exit number 117. Turn left at stop sign (going under the freeway overpass and heading towards the mountains). Turn left on Calle Real (frontage road). Entrance to Canyon on the right: El Capitan Canyon.



**Accommodations**

El Capitan Canyon caters to “luxury campers” with an assortment of comfortable accommodations. Nestled in historic groves of oak and sycamore trees along the seasonal El Capitan Creek, individual cabins are grouped in villages and include a variety of styles to choose from. Varying in size and bedding arrangements, the cabins are thoughtfully placed throughout the Canyon. All cabins are equipped with bathroom facilities and amenities, individual heating controls, fine linens and towels, and kitchenettes with a microwave, mini-fridge, and coffeemaker.

For those true adventurous types, our Adventure Yurts and Safari Tents provide the ideal solution to become one with nature and are furnished with comfortable beds, down-style duvets, western-inspired blankets and casual furnishings.

All accommodations have daily housekeeping services, an outdoor picnic table, outdoor fire pit and grill; all of which are perfect for fireside gatherings, grilling and toasting marshmallows.



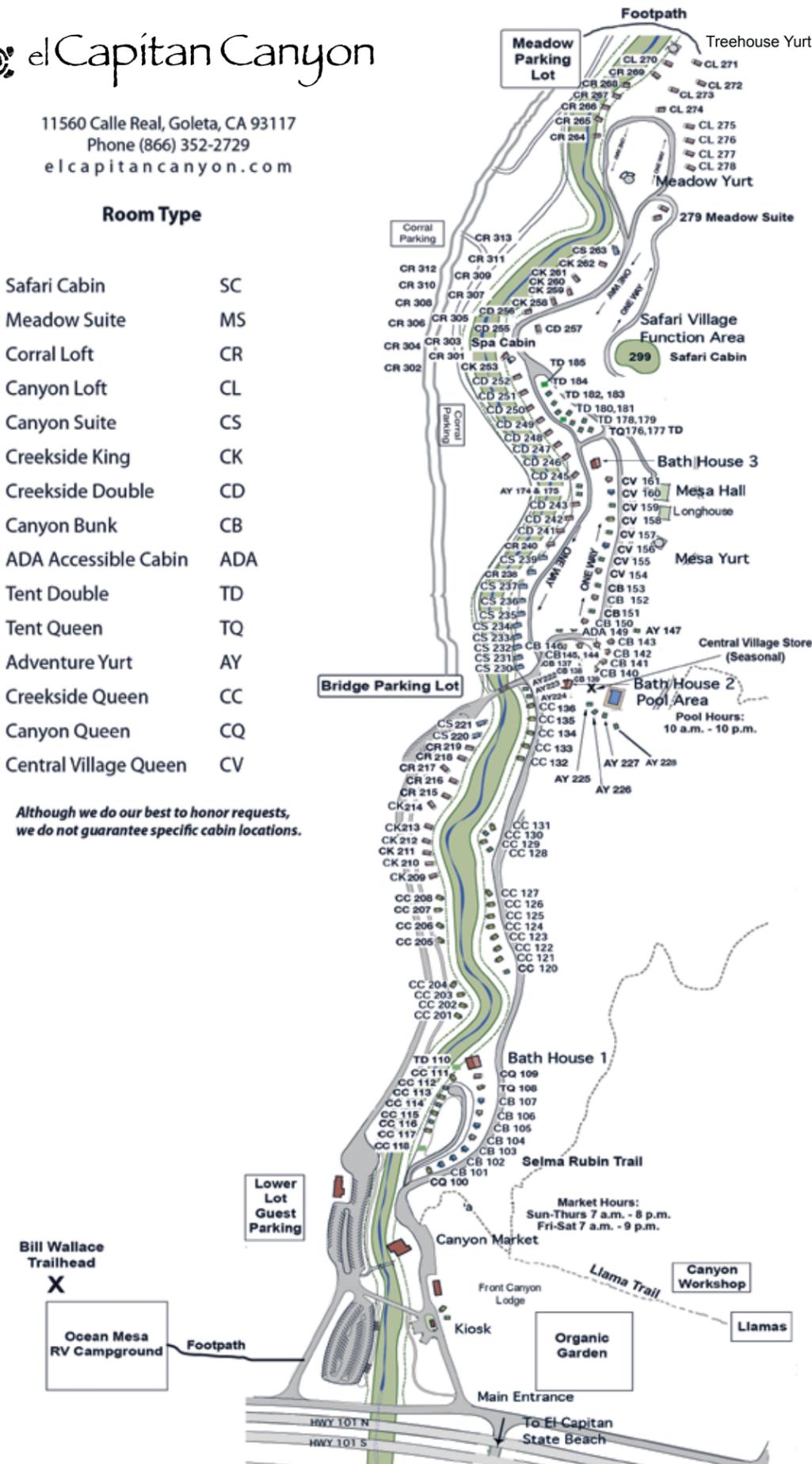
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## Room Type

Safari Cabin	SC
Meadow Suite	MS
Corral Loft	CR
Canyon Loft	CL
Canyon Suite	CS
Creekside King	CK
Creekside Double	CD
Canyon Bunk	CB
ADA Accessible Cabin	ADA
Tent Double	TD
Tent Queen	TQ
Adventure Yurt	AY
Creekside Queen	CC
Canyon Queen	CQ
Central Village Queen	CV

*Although we do our best to honor requests, we do not guarantee specific cabin locations.*



## Stay Connected.

El Capitan Canyon is equipped with a premium Wi-Fi system throughout the Canyon to allow our valued guests to stay connected while traveling. We offer plans to allow users with basic needs to access the service at no charge. Users wishing to stream video can do so with no data cap and for a reasonable fee.

### Steps to Connect to the Internet:

1. Turn on your computer or restart if it is on standby.
2. Select the ElCapitanCanyon Wi-Fi Network and Click "Connect"
3. Open your browser (example: Chrome, Safari, or Internet Explorer). Note: If the welcome page does not automatically appear, erase everything in the address bar and type: start.tengointernet.com
4. If you have previously created a Wi-Fi account at this property, select "Login" and enter your username and password. Otherwise, if you are a first-time user, select "Register" and create your Wi-Fi account.
5. Select a Wi-Fi plan on the following screen
  - If you select a FREE plan, click "Launch Session" and you will be taken to the internet.
  - If you select a PAID plan, click "Launch Session" and you will be taken to a page to enter your billing and credit card information.

### FAQ

#### Why don't I see a wireless network to connect to?

Make sure your Wi-Fi adapter is turned on. All Wi-Fi equipped internet devices have a switch, button, or setting option that allows you to turn off or on the Wi-Fi adapter. Please contact your device manufacturer for additional information.

#### Why can I not sign in as a returning guest?

If you are returning to the resort and it has been a few months or longer since you've utilized our services, please be sure you have the appropriate registered email address and the current password to access the network.

*Please note that multiple local factors impact actual speeds available to the end-user; including the end-user's individual device, and as such, speed thresholds noted in the plans above are sold on an "up to" basis and not guaranteed.*

Having trouble? Please contact TengoInternet at 866-968-3646 for additional assistance.



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## Stay Safe. Have Fun.

*Following the rules assures everyone has a great time here. So, let's all do our part, shall we?*

### CHECK-IN / CHECK-OUT:

Check-in is at 4:00 PM.  
Check-out is at 11:00 AM.

### MAXIMUM OCCUPANCY:

Our accommodations range in style and size with a maximum occupancy of 3 to 6 people accordingly.

### OUTSIDE GUESTS:

Access to the Canyon beyond the Canyon Market is reserved exclusively for our registered guests. Please plan to meet any visitors at the Canyon Market or in the surrounding garden.

### PARKING:

El Capitan Canyon has adopted a "car-free" policy to maximize guest safety and preserve the natural ambiance of the Canyon. After checking in, you will be escorted to your accommodations by one of our Kiosk staff. Once you've unloaded your belongings, we ask that you park in a designated parking area. When driving through the Canyon, we ask you to observe the 5mph speed limit.

### QUIET TIME:

Our quiet time begins at 10pm. Out of respect for all of our guests, we have a No Tolerance policy. This will be strictly enforced.

### MUSIC:

No amplified sound is allowed in the Canyon.

### MOVIES:

To preserve the Canyon experience for all of our guests, the airing of outdoor movies at individual sites or common areas is not permitted.

### PET POLICY:

For the safety of pets and wildlife, we do not allow pets in the Canyon.

### NON-SMOKING POLICY:

Smoking is not allowed in any accommodations or on the Canyon property.

### WILDLIFE:

The Canyon is home to many native species of animals, birds and insects. Please do not touch or feed the wildlife while you enjoy and observe any local creatures. We recommend keeping your cabin door closed and food secured to help avoid any unwanted visitors. If you have any questions or concerns during your stay, please contact us.

### FIRE SAFETY:

Due to the high wildfire risk, we ask you to closely observe and carefully tend to any campfires or BBQ's that you use. NEVER LEAVE A CAMPFIRE OR OPEN FLAME UNATTENDED. Fire regulations dictate that there be no candles or open flame of any kind in any accommodation.

### VEHICLES:

Each reservation includes 2 vehicles. Each additional vehicle is \$5/day and subject to parking availability. All vehicles must have valid license plate, proof of insurance, and parking pass from Welcome Center. No ATV/UTV or other large terrain vehicles are allowed.

### CABINS WITH A FIREPLACE:

To use the fireplace, first locate the wall-mounted temperature control box. Slide bottom lever to ignite, raise or lower flame and temperature.

### ALCOHOL:

Alcoholic beverages are allowed in the Canyon and must be transported here in closed containers. Beer and wine may be purchased at the Canyon Market. Please drink responsibly. Drinking and driving is strictly forbidden in the Canyon.

### POOL HOURS:

The Pool is open from 10am to 10pm. No lifeguard is on duty. All glass and breakable items are forbidden in the pool area. Please observe safety signs. Children (12 years and younger) must be supervised by an adult at all times.

### BIKING:

Bikes are available free of charge for guest use from the Kiosk on a first come, first served basis. Bikes may be checked out for a maximum of two hours at a time. A Driver's License or ID card is required to check out bikes. In compliance with California state law, anyone 17 years or younger is required to wear a helmet. Adults are encouraged to do the same.

### ELECTRIC CAR CHARGING:

For information regarding charging an electric vehicle while staying on property, please contact the kiosk for assistance.

### WI-FI ACCESS:

El Capitan Canyon is equipped with Wi-Fi throughout the Canyon. Please see the enclosed instructions or the guest instruction card in each room for more information.

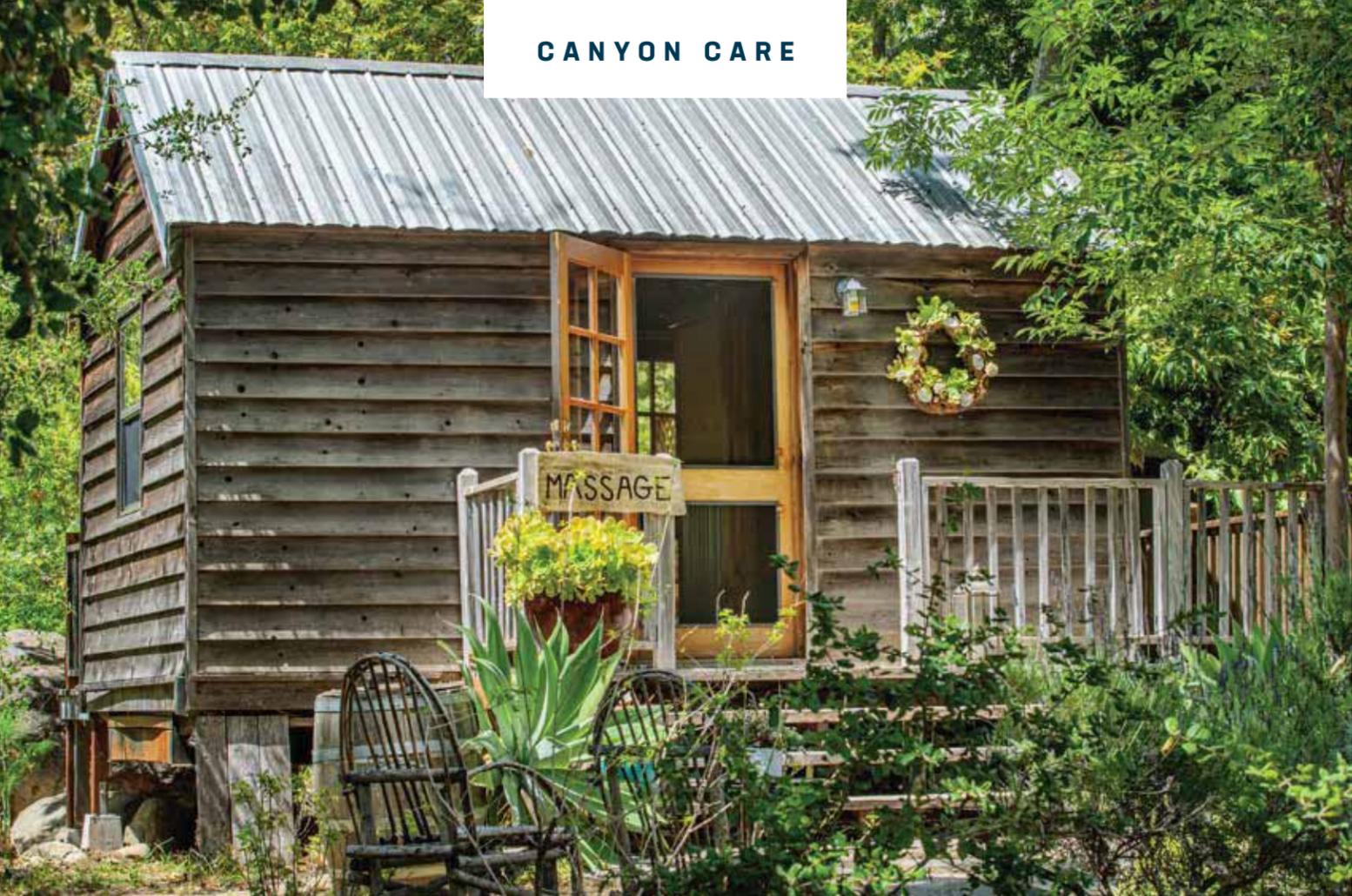
### NO DRONE ZONE:

Drones are prohibited at El Capitan Canyon and Ocean Mesa in the 500 feet of airspace over the property to prevent any stress on sensitive wildlife and migratory birds, because of frequent and unsafe wind speeds, seasonal high fire danger and to prevent any impact on another guest's experience or privacy.

### CAMPING TENTS, SLIP AND SLIDES, AND SLACK LINES ARE STRICTLY PROHIBITED IN THE CANYON.

### FOR EVERYONE'S SAFETY, PLEASE TAKE DOWN ANY HAMMOCKS WHEN NOT IN USE AND ABSOLUTELY BEFORE DARK.

*Owners and/or management assume no responsibility for accidents or injuries to clientele and guests. We reserve the right to evict any person(s) without refund for detrimental conduct.*



## Stay relaxed. *Enjoy our spa services.*

True to an inviting style of architecture, our Spa Cabin is made of cedar and evokes the same rustic charm that is depicted in our nature lodging accommodations. Tucked away near our seasonal El Capitan Creek, our spa facility is centrally located amidst 350 acres of oak and sycamore trees, landscaped with botanical gardens lush and reminiscent of Santa Barbara.

For those who desire a more “alfresco” experience, our spa treatments are also offered in our unique Spa Garden Tent and

Creekside Yurt. This Canyon-style experience heightens the senses as you are soothed by the leaves rustling gently in the tree canopy above, the soft sounds of water running through the creek and the light song of birds as the sun moves across the sky.

Located at the end of a meandering path through our restful garden, the Spa Cabin is the perfect place to experience “spa camping”. Outfitted to accommodate single or a couples’ massage, your treatment experience

includes the use of hand crafted essential oils and soft background music that enhances the sounds of the nature around you. This is “roughing it” at its best!

Based on the season, weather conditions and treatment type, our spa therapists will decide on the best location for your spa camping experience.

**For more information or to book a reservation, please contact our Front Desk staff at 1-866-352-2729 or dial “0” directly from your cabin phone.**

## Need recommendations?

*The Canyon offers many seasonal activities for our guests to enjoy during their stay. From docent-led hikes and beach runs to storytelling and astronomy by the campfire.*

### HIKING TRAILS

Take in the sweeping views of the Central Coast on one of our private hiking trails ranging from our most popular Selma Rubin Trail to the llama and goat farm or one of the more advanced trails. See the Kiosk for our most up to date trail information.

### BEACH CRUISER BICYCLES

El Capitan Canyon provides adult beach cruiser bicycles complimentary to our guests – subject to availability.

### SWIMMING POOL & CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUND

Our heated swimming pool is centrally located in the Canyon. The playground with a slide, swings & jungle gym is adjacent to the pool. The pool is open from 10:00am to 10:00pm.

### CANYON WINE TASTINGS

Seasonally, join us for a Canyon wine tasting at the Market lawn. Enjoy great wines from a selection of local vineyards, while soaking in the magic of the Canyon. Visit the Canyon Market for more information.

### CANYON CONCERT SERIES

Every Saturday, from Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day weekend, we invite you to join us for an evening of family fun. Music is complementary to our overnight guests and BBQ dinner tickets are available for purchase anytime on Saturday at the Canyon Market. Open Seating at 5pm. Dinner is served from 6pm – 8pm and live music is from 7pm – 9pm.

### LOCAL GOLF AND ACTIVITIES

Glen Annie Golf Club - 405 Glen Annie Road, Goleta, CA.....(805) 968-6400  
 Sand Piper Golf Course - 7625 Hollister Ave, Goleta, CA 93117.....(805) 968-1541  
 Rancho San Marcos - 4600 Highway 154, Santa Barbara, CA 93105.....(805) 683-6334

Santa Barbara Adventure Company - (www.sbadventureco.com).....(805) 898-0671  
 High Ropes Course, Field Olympics, Coastal Kayaking, Surf Lessons, Stand Up Paddle Lessons, Wine Country Tours, Bike Tours.

Santa Barbara Botanic Gardens – (sbbg.org).....(805) 682-4726

Condor Express – (www.condorexpress.com).....(805) 882-0088  
 Whale watching from the Santa Barbara Harbor.

Chumash Casino - 3400 East Highway 246, Santa Ynez, CA 93460.....(800) 248-6274

## Legends of El Capitan Canyon

El Capitan Canyon offers a rich history of hospitality. From the Canyon's beginnings as an ancient Chumash tribal celebration site, continuing into the 19th century Mexican adobes and eventually to the cabins and campfires of today's comfortable lodgings. Magnificent groves of sycamore and oak stand at the entrance just as they did in prehistoric times, guarding the Canyons pristine legacy.

More than 8,000 years ago, the first inhabitants were undoubtedly impressed by the fertile foothills to the north and the creek coursing through the Canyon and south into the great ocean. Along the creek, the ancient Chumash peoples built their hut villages and devoted themselves to harvesting the bounty of the sea. Chumash legend calls the area Ajuilashmu (Ah-wah-whi-lac-mu); the dancing place of celebration. Adjoining the creek, a long trail leads to a sacred place called Senoq (associated in Chumash myth with fire) and an ancient burial ground. A historical site at which the remains of a medicine man buried with his "panpipes" (whistles) was discovered. Tribal elders still revere this site and hold rituals and blessings here; continuing the Chumash's deep honor of the land, water, and sky.

In 1542, the area was "discovered" and claimed for Spain by explorer Juan Rodriquez Cabrillo. Spanish soldiers established the Presidio (fortress) in Santa Barbara in 1782 and Ajuilashmu became noted on the charts as "El Capitan". Legend has it named for Capitan Don Jose Francisco de Ortega, one of the founders of the Presidio, who came ashore and was greeted by Chumash leaders.

The modern-day El Capitan Canyon Resort began in 1970 as a rustic private campground situated 17 miles west of Santa Barbara on a 300-acre site directly across from El Capitan State Beach. In 2000, new local owners completely transformed El Capitan Canyon into a refined rural retreat for the 21st century. On Saturday evenings in the summer, guests gather around the main campfire to savor a delicious dinner and enjoy the area's best local musicians. Under the stars, the sounds of celebration echo through El Capitan Canyon, a timeless scene reminiscent of the ancient Chumash village of Ajuilashmu.





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