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Where the Mountains Look on the Forest, and the Forest Looks on the Sea

DEL MONTE since 1880 has been California's largest and best loved playground. It is known the world over for its natural beauty, its diversity of entertainment, its accessibility, and its open hospitality.

HOTEL DEL MONTE is the center of the 20,000 acre preserve kept for the pleasure of its guests. Shaded sylvan walks, well kept gardens, velvet green lawns, towering pines and spreading oaks combine to give this famous resort unsurpassed surroundings. The ten commodious Spanish bungalows adjacent to the Hotel add to the attractiveness of the grounds.

HOTEL DEL MONTE, completed in April, 1926, is of true Spanish architecture and is fireproof throughout. The wings of the old hotel, destroyed by fire in 1924, have been remodelled and have been made fireproof by the installation of the most modern of sprinkler systems.

Every room at DEL MONTE is an outside one and gets an abundance of sunlight. The interior of the Hotel follows the style of the Spanish exterior. High beamed ceilings, huge landscape windows, severe trimmings and bright drapes make lobby, lounge and dining-room most attractive. The dining-room is 210 feet long, 49 feet wide and the ceilings are 27 feet above the floor. Wide terraces border the lounge and the dining-room.

DEL MONTE has always been popular as a convention center. A large auditorium, private conference rooms and the diversified entertainment offered bring many national organizations to the Monterey Peninsula.

DEL MONTE is a little city in itself. The corridors of the ground floor are lined with exclusive shops and stores, with Post Office, Western Union Office, Barber Shop, Beauty Parlor, Southern Pacific Agency, Photographer's Studio, Dresser, E.F. Hutton Leased Wire, Art Gallery—in fact everything that could be desired. The billiard room and Men's Lounge may be entered from the outside, without first passing through the Lobby.

To the east of the Hotel, fifty yards away, is the tile and marble outdoor Roman Plunge. The salt water is crystal clear and is warmed just enough to take away the shock of the first dip. Dressing rooms, showers and secluded sun bath patios add to the pleasure of bathers.

DEL MONTE and GOLF mean one and the same thing to most Californians. Here California Championships are played each September. Here are two unsurpassed golf courses. The old Del Monte course, within five minutes walk of the Hotel, is probably the most popular links on the Pacific Coast. And Pebble Beach, built along the rugged cliffs above Carmel Bay is a scenic delight as well as a championship test of golf. Wonderful turf, perfectly kept greens and tees—everything combines to make Del Monte a Golfers' Paradise.

DEL MONTE LODGE, a painting of which is shown on this page, is operated on the European plan and is under the same management as Hotel Del Monte. It is picturesquely situated between the first tee and the eighteenth green of the Pebble Beach golf links. Its wide veranda looks out on the golf links, out over the turquoise blue of Carmel Bay to Point Lobos, a dark and threatening point against whose steep cliffs the Pacific breaks in white frenzy.

DEL MONTE is a playground. A dozen tennis courts, a hundred miles of sylvan bridle paths, faultless shooting traps and an adequate clubhouse, three perfectly groomed polo fields, bath house, plunge, bathing beach, private hunting and fishing preserves, archery courses, boating and canoeing—every diversion imaginable may be had for the asking.

Pebble Beach, owned by the Del Monte Properties Company, is probably America's most desirable residence district. Magnificent homes, overlooking the sea and rugged coast are owned by prominent California and Eastern residents. Pebble Beach is one of California's show places.

The 17 Mile Drive, a never to be forgotten motor trip around the Monterey Peninsula, starts and finishes at HOTEL DEL MONTE. All of quaint old Monterey, the scenic beauty of Pacific Grove, the winding roads through the DEL MONTE forest, Point Joe, Midway Point, Pebble Beach—there are a thousand and one scenic delights on this wonderful drive.

Space forbids a detailed account of all the diversions and the pleasures that are yours for the asking at HOTEL DEL MONTE. For further information address CARL S. STANLEY, Manager, Hotel Del Monte, California.