

# CARTER HOUSE INNS

## & Restaurant 301

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Opened: 1982

History: This building was originally built in 1884 – 1885 in San Francisco and was known as the Murphy House. The original structure was destroyed in the famous San Francisco earthquake and fire of 1906. In 1978, Mark Carter found the plans in a Eureka antique store and decided to build that house. To his surprise, when he began drawing up the new plans he discovered that the original house had been designed by the famous Newsom Brothers of San Francisco, the same architects who had created the lavish Carson Mansion just up the street in Old Town, Eureka. Crafting the building's ornate moldings and trim-work by hand, the Carter's small crew finished the re-creation in 1982. The Carters initially intended for the building to be their own home. However, with construction taking longer and costing more, they soon found themselves opening their doors to paying guests, and onto a new path as innkeepers. The buildings are close to the beautiful waters of Humboldt Bay. It is an ideal setting for these magnificent Victorian recreations, which fit right in and seem as if they have been a part of the cityscape for a hundred years. Chef Corey Smith selects fresh produce daily to fill his menu at our own Restaurant 301. Our cuisine is driven by the bounty of the Carter House Gardens which we enjoy throughout all of our coastal seasons here in Eureka, California. The restaurant, which features an award winning wine list of over 3500 selections, was started soon after the bed & breakfast opened in 1987. Restaurant 301 first received the Grand Award from Wine Spectator in 1998, and has maintained the prestigious honor since then.

Location: The Redwood Coast is the perfect outdoor playground!  
Voted the "Most Scenic Rural County" in the nation by the USDA, the Redwood Coast boasts over one hundred miles of

pristine accessible beaches and several State Parks and Redwood National Park full of old growth redwood trees. For the beginner to the expert kayaker our river and ocean access is second to none. Horseback riding on the beach, hiking miles of gorgeous quiet trails, or just a drive through this beautiful place is sure to inspire any traveler.

The Carter House Inns is centrally located on the Redwood Coast in Historic Old Town Eureka, California. Here you can enjoy shopping, dining, museums, historical monuments, artisan shops, or the Humboldt Bay while taking a stroll on the boardwalk. It's the perfect home base to experience everything the Redwood Coast of Northern California has to offer.

Just a quick drive north you can enjoy breathtaking views of the rugged beaches in Trinidad. Head further north to the Redwood National Park and experience the inspiring power of the ancient and majestic Redwood Forest. Take a drive on the Newton B Drury Parkway through the Prairie Creek Redwoods State Park and view some elk on your way being mystified by beautiful Fern Canyon.

Head south for a while and step back in time while you visit the Victorian Village of Ferndale. From there you can take a tour of the Lost Coast where the annual Tour of the Unknown Coast bike ride is held. Experience the serenity of King Range conservation area on your way through Northern California's forgotten coast line. Inland you can take a cool dip in some of the most pristine swimming holes in the Van Duzen river at Swimmers Delight. Take a drive on the famous Avenue of the Giants, where one of the most beautiful marathons in the world is held. Head into the Humboldt Redwoods State Park and experience the rugged terrain of the Giant Redwoods that grow inland.

Roosevelt Elk are often seen in our parks, we recommend that you drive carefully when exploring. The bulls reach massive sizes, and it is very common to see them gathering along the side of Highway 101 in the areas near Redwood National Park and Prairie Creek Redwoods State Park.

General Manager: Mark Carter, Owner

Rooms: 33 guest rooms in total, in five different buildings. Our classifications include:

- Hotel Carter (23 rooms): Grand Suites, Suites, Really Nice Rooms

- Carter House (5 rooms): Suites, Really Nice Rooms
- Bell Cottage (3 rooms): Really Nice Rooms
- Carter Cottage (1 suite, full house)
- Anne's House (1 suite, full house)

Grand Suites feature large whirlpool tubs, fireplaces, sitting areas and refrigerators. Suites feature the same amenities, but are slightly smaller than Grand Suites. Really Nice Rooms are our basic rooms, some with fireplaces.

Rates: Rates start at \$159. in the slow season.

Description: Luxury lodging at its finest. Carter House Inns unite contemporary good taste with the gracious elegance of a bygone era, achieving a synthesis of styles which is absolutely unique. Large windows invite glorious streams of sunlight into the mansions, where rich fabrics, original local art and fresh flowers splash vibrant color in every room. In luxury, Carter House has no equal. There are four Victorian buildings with contemporary style to choose from. If you are looking for a charming hotel experience, this is it. With Restaurant 301 on premises, dining is convenient and relaxing allowing you to indulge in one of the finest wine lists in the world. Wine Spectator has bestowed upon us the Grand Award since 1998. There are only 77 Grand Awards in the entire world, we are very proud and honored. Every guest at Carter House Inns receives a fabulous full breakfast including fruit, pastries, coffee, tea, fruit juices and a hot eggs dish each morning (7:30-10 am at Restaurant 301 in the Hotel Carter). Wine and hors d'oeuvres are served each evening (4-5 pm) in the elegant lobbies of the Hotel Carter and Carter House. Turndown with chocolates (on request) and tea and cookies by the fire in the Hotel Carter warm you up for a sumptuous night's sleep.

Food & Beverage: With a wine list boasting over 3500 selections and a season-driven menu that changes as often as our crops in the garden, you will find dining with us a delightful experience. We offer our dining guests the option to select from an A La Carte Menu or embark on the culinary excellence of the Discovery Menu or the Chef's Grand Menu — tasting experiences that include wine pairings with all of the delicious courses, each one more fabulous than the last. Currently all of our menus feature expressions of Spring on the Redwood Coast. These offerings are prepared for you with care from Chef Corey Smith. Our restaurant is open 365 days a year for dinner. We offer room service during dining hours. Restaurant 301

dining is also available in our private dining rooms at the Hotel Carter.

Carter Cellars is our own wine label. We have been making wine since 1998 in Napa Valley. In 2006, Mark Carter partnered with Nils Venge to create Envy Wines; an Estate Winery in Calistoga, California. The two have been producing wines under the Envy Label since then.

Restaurant 301 is available to provide special event catering services on premise in the Carter House or any of our locations. We have successfully hosted on-site weddings and group functions. We can also plan a private chef/dinner experience for you in any one of our four kitchens. Restaurant 301 dining is also available in our private dining rooms at the Hotel Carter.

#### Meetings & Special Events:

Whether you're planning a wedding, a special gathering of your closest friends or a company event, the Carter House can provide you with an elegant setting for your experience. We would love to attend to the details such as flowers, hors d'oeuvres, special meals and wonderful wines so that you can relax and enjoy your event.

We can also provide a terrific setting for meetings and other gatherings. The Carter House dining room, parlour and kitchen create an intimate yet spacious location to house small to medium sized gatherings.

#### Amenities:

- Traditional Fireplaces
- Large, luxurious whirlpool spa tubs in several different configurations including marble
- Double headed walk in shower in several rooms
- CD Players, ipod decks
- Flatscreen TV with DVD players
- Honor baskets including local specialties
- Mini refrigerators in all suites and most rooms
- High Speed Internet throughout the building
- Laundry service upon request

#### Carter House Services:

- Full service two-course hot breakfast included with all bookings
- Complimentary wine and hors d'oeuvres served each evening from 4-5pm in the hotel lobby with all bookings

- Complimentary cookies and tea each evening from 8-10pm with all bookings
- Free wi-fi throughout premises
- Laundry service & Dry Cleaning available upon request
- Pet Friendly
- Free newspapers each morning
- Complimentary parking
- Complimentary guest computer/printer