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Category: Accommodation: **Bed and Breakfast**

Date of Entry: 2/27/2002
Name: Lake La Quinta Inn
Address: 78-120 Caleo Bay
City, State: La Quinta, California
Telephone: 760-564-7332
Price (per room per night): \$200 - \$250

What were the accommodations like?

A stay at Lake La Quinta Inn, a four diamond award (AAA) property, is the quintessential ant for stress and burnout. Set amidst manicured emerald carpets of grass, blankets of color-saturated flowers, azure skies, and a lake of sapphire, this Old-World French Chateau present itself as the perfect vision of rest, relaxation, and spiritual renewal.

Each room is decorated in a special motif, with choices such as St. Andrews, Papillon, Desert Spirit, La Mancha, Bouquet Francais, Safari, and Memoirs. (My personal favorites are Memo and Bouquet Francais.) Additionally, all rooms feature a fireplace, patio or balconette along with a breath-taking view of Lake La Quinta. An outdoor pool and jacuzzi await guests for an afternoon dip or soak, with several of the rooms containing their own private jacuzzis. You know an Inn has a "touch of class" when you experience nightly turndown service that includes returning to an ignited, toasty fireplace with neatly placed Italian chocolates gracing the pillow.

The Inn Keepers, Tim and Cecilia Ellis, sponsor an evening wine and hors d'oeuvres reception providing a wonderful opportunity to converse with other Inn guests while enjoying nature's sunset glow on the nearby Santa Rosa Mountains. While sipping our merlot, my husband and I were offered a boat ride by one of the private-home residents of Lake La Quinta - an impromptu overture of desert hospitality.

A daily breakfast special is featured, including such delectables as eggs with artichoke and sundried tomatoes, farm sausage, with juice, coffee, and english muffin. Tim, who also doubles as the resident chef, remarked that no egg is more than 48 hours old, which accounts for the flavorful taste of the egg dishes.

Each room has a diary where guests may record comments about their stay. The following was my inscription:

"A place where memories and vision converge into a spirit of the present; where the elements of sand, sky and water create an artist's palette bursting with vibrancy, yet surrounding self with peace and serenity that envelopes the very depths of the soul; a place born of perfection--Sunset at Lake La Quinta Inn by the lake, a virtual heaven on earth."

Guide recommendation: Highly Recommended

