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HOW PASSION LEADS BREWERY GULCH INN TO BE TOP DESTINATION IN MENDOCINO, CA.

MENDOCINO, CA. — (Nov. 7, 2019) — It took us only moments to see why Mendocino’s Brewery Gulch Inn blinged in recognition as a top destination to stay. If the immediate views didn’t astonish you, perhaps the reception area full of Four Star Diamond Awards will.

According to Travel & Leisure, it was named as one of the top 100 hotels in the world, Top 10 in US, and Top 5 in California last year. Pretty impressive for a 10 room Bed and Breakfast. With it’s intimate size came immense quality noticeable at every turn.

But we all know it takes more than aesthetics to win accolades. So exactly how do they do it in such a competitive space?

We had to ask Guy Pacurar, owner of Brewery Gulch Inn, “What is unique about your business?”

“Our customer service is our hallmark. The mantra I communicate to staff is that it is our job to figure out how to say yes. For many of our guests, they either save for the experience or are so busy that this may be the only vacation they take in a year, we can’t let them down.”

These words couldn’t ring more true to travelers like us. As someone who loves to travel, nothing is worse than feeling not welcomed or disappointed at a destination. Travel time and resources are valuable to create wonderful memories.

Speaking of memories, we also asked Guy, “What made you choose this type of business and location?”

“When I was young, my parents used to take me to a place in Palm Springs, a small apartment hotel where the owners made each guest feel like a part of their extended family. Mint julep parties on Kentucky Derby day, weekly barbecues. I have always wanted to have a place where I could provide a similar experience to guests.”

And it shows Guy! From the moment you walk into Brewery Gulch Inn, you’ll feel the family vibe instantly. Known as “The Great Room,” there were games, books, movies, fireplace, dining area, and attached deck with spectacular views of Smuggler’s Cove. We liked how it promotes social engagements to interact with other guests or feel at home in your own space.

Communal area for games, books, and DVD’s to check out at your leisure. Brewery Gulch Inn, Mendocino, CA
The Great Room to lounge and dine at Brewery Gulch Inn, Mendocino, CA

The welcome treats and self-service drinks were available at our leisure. It’s open seating so we could relax wherever it took us.

Our favorite common place was the attached back deck where guests can enjoy the private surroundings with groomed gardens and spectacular views of Smuggler's Cove. Many guests gather here during happy hour to sip some wine and socialize.

With all of the recognition and success for Guy's award-winning service, we were curious to know, "If you had one piece of life advice to give someone, what would it be?"

Guy has never had to look back since. His passion to bring his guests unforgettable experiences in one of the most beautiful areas on earth has lead Brewery Gulch Inn to be a top destination in the world. You can see, feel, and even taste the joy he brings into the place.

Which brings me to tell you about the mouthwatering food he serves every guest.

The Food Service

Nothing says, "Welcome Home!" like a good meal though, am I right? At Brewery Gulch Inn, your full service breakfast and a 'light' buffet dinner with wine are included with your room rate.

Do not let the word 'light' fool you as it did us. It was a full meal, farm to table cuisine, and made from scratch. Now I'm not one for buffets, but I will make an exception for this place anytime. Each day from 5:30pm to 6:30pm, the Inn serves an amazing spread with wine.

The first evening we had flank steak, purple potato mash, beet salad, vegetable medley, and apple pastry for dessert. It was AWESOME! As serious foodies, we were blown away by the high quality ingredients, flavors, and textures.

Each day a new and wholesome menu is presented on chalkboard at Brewery Gulch Inn. Lovely Lavender herb touches on the bi-color mashed potatoes at Brewery Gulch Inn. (I'm stealing this idea) Incredibly delicious flank steak with blackberry sauce at Brewery Gulch Inn. This was Hubby's favorite dessert and he usually doesn't go for apple. All of their breads and pastries are super delicious at Brewery Gulch Inn. Just so you know it's not a one hit wonder, our second evening dinner experience was just as delectable. I could easily get used to Chef Mitch Michelle Peace's cooking for me every night. If you can, run to the Brewery Gulch Inn for their rustic Fall menu. It's seriously good eats.

Served from 8am to 10:30am, it can either be a casual sit down in the main area or brought to your room. The seasonal menu had premium drinks, light breakfast and regular entrée options. You can select one premium drink and choose one item from either light or regular entrée options.

My day was not complete without the Signature Mango-Calamansi Lassi. It was like a drink of sunshine. Hubby always had their fresh squeezed grapefruit juice. A great light breakfast was the Seasonal Parfait. The hand cut pears were particularly delicious. You can't go wrong with The Classic entrée. The Millionaire's bacon was something to write home about. They make it in house! A bit sweet and spicy that really hits the spot.

Accommodations

Not only is the food exceptional at Brewery Gulch Inn, but the room accommodations are also just as fabulous.

The “Pine” Room

Brewery Gulch Inn has 10 themed rooms each with a name. We were hosted in the Pine Room. It’s conveniently located on the main floor closest to the Great Room. It was so easy to grab and go any snacks, drinks, movies, and books from our room location.

When we first entered the room, we thought “oh yeah, this will do!” It was immediately welcoming with a spectacular view, plush furnishings, and a personal note and gift from Guy and his team.

I think what really stood out to us are the personal touches Guy and his team strive to give each and every guest.

We do not drink alcohol and Guy had a nice bottle of Organic Apple Cider for us instead. The welcome note was handwritten and personalized, something that’s more rare in today’s hospitality. There was even a full bag of fancy caramels on the pillows of our bed. Not sure how they knew that Hubby Mike loves caramels, but it was a complete and wonderful coincidence.

Captivating views of Smuggler’s Cove from our Pine Room at Brewery Gulch Inn.Plush furnishings in the Pine Room at Brewery Gulch Inn.Personalized touches of handwritten notes and understanding guest preferences makes you feel like extended family at Brewery Gulch Inn.

Take a look at our room tour that also features the huge deep soaking tub- perfect for 2 and luxurious bathroom with high end toiletries from Asprey and Molten Brown. They even had lavish bath salts for an elegant bath.

The Scene

Location, location, location! It’s difficult to be a top rated destination without a great location with plenty to do. No doubt you get it all at Brewery Gulch Inn.

Brewery Gulch Inn is located in Mendocino, about 3.5 hours North of San Francisco. The coastal community borders the Pacific Ocean and is a fabulous hidden gem amongst the Redwoods and mountain ranges. The drive up and down Highway 1 in Northern California is not to be missed in your lifetime. You will feel like you are at “the edge of the world.”

At “the edge of the world,” looking at the coastal community of Mendocino by the ocean.

Their Pre-arrival Concierge service is top notch and offers a slew of services that can be customized to your liking. Along with typical services like in-room massages, transportation, and reservations- they can arrange a medley of unique activities for you too such as:

- **Forest Bathing**
- **Mushroom Foraging**
- **Photo Safari**
- **Horseback Riding**
- **Art Tours**
- **Bird Watching**
- **Anderson Valley Picnics**
- **Ocean Excursions**
- **Wine Tours**

Forest Bathing

When I saw the Shinrin-Yoku tab on the Brewery Gulch Inn website, I clicked on it out of curiosity. Shinrin-Yoku is a Guided Forest Bathing Experience. It's basically a meditative walk through the forest that incorporates all five senses. I'm always up for learning new things so I booked it through the Inn for two.

Delphine Davidson, owner and Wellness Expert of Dew Drop Wellness, guided us through the 1.5 hour 'Dipping Your Toes' experience. It began with her meeting us at the Inn where she first talked to us about Forest Bathing and asked us some general questions about ourselves.

Wellness Expert, Delphine Davidson explains Forest Bathing

She poured us a lovely cup of blended tea that was still hot and to help us relax. We really enjoyed the herbal tea blend that she brought. It had a calm taste that was easy to drink. Hubby's not even a big tea person but really liked it. We actually ended up buying some after the tour. Delphine explained the blend to us:

- Lavender- nervine, soothing, calming, aromatic
- Astragalus- helps body to stay strong in times of stress, adapt, restores vitality without overstimulating
- Milky Oat- nervine, soothing, calming, smooth rough edges, balances mood and hormones.
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After the 20 minute consultation we drove about 5 miles to a secluded forest area. We sat and breathed for about 7 minutes with Delphine's guidance. It was hypnotic and we actually wished this part of the session was longer. She has such a soothing voice. Afterwards, she let us walk into the woods with a focused self-awareness she just taught us. For 30 minutes, we wandered quietly and enjoyed our surroundings.

Delphine guided us here, a secluded area for Forest Bathing.

When time was up, she called us back to the meeting spot and we had a post therapy session discussing our mood and feelings before, during, and after the forest bathing. She also referred some helpful resources to aid with our meditations at home.

In partnership with Brewery Gulch Inn, she also offers a day long wellness excursion called The Full Body Immersion. The 6.5 hour experience includes the Forest Bathing, hour long yoga, lunch, and your own individualized holistic health strategy.

Forest Bathing with the Redwoods guided by Dew Drop Wellness.

If you are health conscious and into yoga, wellness, meditation, holistic nutrition, and detox- Delphine is an expert in the space. She has close to 2 decades of experience in several disciplines that will help you meet your health goals. She, like Guy Pacurar of Brewery Gulch Inn, follows her passion in life and loves to help others obtain a better quality of life.

Other Adventures

If you have passion for the rugged outdoors, you do not need to venture far from the Brewery Gulch Inn to see the splendor of Mendocino. There's so much more to see and do that it's possible to spend a week here. We stayed at Brewery Gulch Inn for 2 nights and 2 days, here are a few highlights we experienced:

- Hike Headlands State Park
- Visit Big River Beach
- Ride the Skunk Train

The Ultimate Hideaway

We were looking to hideaway and celebrate our 9 year anniversary. Brewery Gulch Inn is perfect for romantic escapes, local staycations, restorative vacations, and even BFF getaways. We saw a few families too that stayed for the adventure!

The Brewery Gulch Inn would like to share a couple of their incredible recipes with you from Chef Mitch Michelle Peace. Guy and Chef Peace hope you will enjoy a piece of Mendocino from their home to yours. We'd like to personally thank Guy Pacurar, owner of Brewery Gulch Inn and his wonderful staff who hosted our stay and made it so special.

And special gratitude to Delphine Davidson at Dew Drop Wellness. In partnership with Brewery Gulch Inn, Delphine hosted our Shinrin Yoku- a Forest Bathing experience. Together, they offer custom wellness adventures for guests to enjoy.

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