

GROUP EXPERIENCE GUIDE



CARMEL VALLEY RANCH

WE TAKE YOUR FUN SERIOUSLY

When innovative people gather in an extraordinary setting, anything is possible. At Carmel Valley Ranch, we push the boundaries of the expected by offering group activities and experiences that inspire, energize, and nurture creativity. Above all, they make your event one-of-a-kind.

From archery competitions to artisanal workshops, summer-camp-style games and competitions to night golf, there's something here for everyone. Every team. Every goal.

To learn more about customizing a “play-outside-the-box” experience for your next team meeting or family reunion, please contact our Activities Coordinators at groupactivities@carmelvalleyranch.com. See you soon!

Please note: All activities are based on availability. Some may be offered seasonally.



TEAMWORK MAKES THE DREAM WORK

Bandana Blitz • Ranch Race • Team Geocaching • Organic Garden Scavenger Hunt

ADVENTURES ABOUND

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FOR OUR YOUNGEST RANCHERS

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Course Play • Night Golf • Kamikaze Golf • Flow Instruction • Instructional Clinics

FITNESS & RECREATION

Tennis • Pickleball • Private Indoor or Outdoor Yoga • Private Group Fitness Classes

RELAX & REJUVENATE

Spa Experience • Chair Massages • Blending Bar

TEAMWORK MAKES THE
DREAM WORK

There’s nothing like friendly competition to build team spirit. Tap into your group’s passion and energy and remind everyone that it’s not always about winning; it’s about discovering each other’s strengths and talents, and learning through victory and defeat.

BANDANA BLITZ

The pinnacle of any summer-camp experience, Bandana Blitz pits friends against friends and unites unlikely allies to build morale and excitement. Participants are divided into teams identified by colored bandanas and compete in a variety of challenges designed to test both brain and brawn, ranging from relay races to trivia and everything in between. Guaranteed to break the ice and build team camaraderie, this is an experience your group will never forget! Prizes included for the winning team. Requires minimum of 1.5 hours.

Signature Bandana Blitz: \$175 per participant | 30 participants minimum

Premium Bandana Blitz: \$200 per participant | 30 participants minimum

Includes highly customized themes or exclusive games.

Additional AV fees may apply for Signature or Premium Bandana Blitz.

RANCH RACE

The Signature Ranch Race is a fast-paced event custom-designed by our Activities Team to lead participants on a wild chase around our 500-acre playground! Teams “travel” to different destinations around the property, using only a map of the resort, their collective smarts, and a set of clues. Prizes included for the winning team. Requires minimum of 2 hours.

Signature Ranch Race: \$200 per participant | 30 participants minimum

Premium Ranch Race: \$225 per participant | 30 participants minimum

Includes highly customized themes or exclusive games.

Additional AV fees may apply for Signature or Premium Ranch Race.



TEAM GEOCACHING

Traverse The Ranch's unique property—from vineyards to lavender fields and everything in between—in this high-tech treasure hunt that combines GPS navigation skills with teamwork and clever sleuthing. After breaking into teams, participants will use our specially programmed GPS devices and creative clues to search for a series of tokens stashed in hidden caches and race to accumulate the most points.

\$135 per participant | 10 participants minimum, 80 maximum | 2 hours

ORGANIC GARDEN SCAVENGER HUNT

Join us in our Organic Garden for a delightful hunt through the growing beds. Each team will be given a list of items to identify and pick, with prizes for the winners.

\$95 per participant | 10 participants minimum, 60 maximum | 45 minutes–1 hour

ADVENTURES ABOUND

“I wish I had spent more time at Carmel Valley Ranch indoors ...” said no one, ever. We can help your group get outside, explore, refocus, and recharge in the great outdoors.

NOCK, DRAW, LOOSE! ARCHERY

Once used by our ancestors to bring food to the cook- fires, the practice of archery is a fascinating confluence of discipline and energy, focus and stamina. Choose from the following packages, or inquire with your Activities Coordinator for youth archery programs or customized experiences. *Note: Sobriety required. Participants must be at least 13 years of age to attend.*

Bronze Archery Session

Ideal for smaller groups with limited time, the Bronze Session includes a safety briefing, equipment, individual instruction, and tips and advice from the instructor throughout the session. We'll get everyone hitting the target!

\$120 per participant | 10 participants minimum, 20 maximum | 1 hour

Silver Archery Package

In addition to everything included in the Bronze Session, this package offers a competition in which you'll learn how to score and host a shoot-off for a dozen arrows.

\$140 per participant | 10 participants minimum, 24 maximum | 1.5 hours

Gold Archery Package

Go for the gold! Try our extended two-hour session with extra games in addition to the shoot-off competition. An optional break may be scheduled.

\$165 per participant | 16 participants minimum, 24 maximum | 2 hours



FALCONRY’S WINGED
AMBASSADORS

Discover the ancient sport of falconry in this unique opportunity to interact with magnificent winged predators. Meet nature’s top gun, the peregrine falcon, whose diving speeds of up to 250 mph make it the fastest animal on the planet. Get up close and personal with the great horned owl, one of North America’s top predators. Experience a life-changing rush when you put on a falconer’s glove and watch a hawk glide out of a nearby tree to your outstretched arm. Photo opportunities abound, along with stories you’ll tell for years to come.

\$205 per participant | 10 participants minimum,
25 maximum | 2 hours

GUIDED HIKES & WALKS

Explore our 500-acre playground and beyond! Experience unparalleled scenery as you learn about local wildlife, plants, and cultural history from our knowledgeable naturalists.

On-Property Hikes & Walks

Stretch your legs and get to know our scenic trails and grounds. Combine any number of interconnected pathways and trails, or choose one of the themed hikes below.

Horseshoe Loop Hike—Enjoy a bird’s-eye view of The Ranch on this scenic stroll up to our hilltop pasture, with stunning views of Robinson Canyon along the way.

\$375 for up to 12 participants
\$25 per additional participant | 1 hour

Ridge View Hike—Take an invigorating, moderately strenuous hike up the Huff ‘n’ Puff and Mucklehead trails to the spectacular ridgeline above The Ranch, where you’ll enjoy breathtaking views of the valley (and, on a clear day, the Pacific Ocean).

\$475 for up to 12 participants
\$35 per additional participant | 1.5 hours

Summit Hike—Reap the rewards of this challenging 7-mile round-trip hike heading to the summit above The Ranch. Enjoy stunning panoramic views of the Monterey Peninsula, Carmel Valley, and Santa Lucia coastal range

before descending back toward views of the Pacific Ocean.

\$720 for up to 12 participants | \$60 per
additional participant | 3.5–4 hours

Birding Walk—Join our birding expert on an informative hike in search of The Ranch’s flightiest residents—the seasonal and year-round birds flitting, soaring, singing, chirping, and strutting around the property. We’ll supply the binoculars; you bring your eagle eye and patience!

\$375 for up to 5 participants | \$75 per
additional participant | 12 participants
maximum | 1 hour



OUTDOOR PHOTOGRAPHY
WORKSHOPS

Learn from the best! Acclaimed photographer Kip Evans is an expert in landscape photography; his stunning images have been published by National Geographic and numerous other publications. Taking a class with him will help you discover how to capture the world through your own unique lens. Note that Kip is in high demand and travels frequently, so be sure to inquire about his availability well in advance of your stay.

Create Your Best Shot: Basics for the
Modern Photographer

In this on-property class, you’ll learn how to create beautiful photos anytime, anywhere. Bring whatever camera you use most—DSLR, phone, any will do!

\$125 per participant | 10 participants minimum
2–2.5 hours

*Includes 45-minute seminar, 75–105-minute
photography walk.*



BECOME AN ARTISAN

At Carmel Valley Ranch, the concept of sustainability means more than just taking care of the land; it means being part of a community. That’s why we partner with local artists, crafters, and purveyors of natural, handmade products to help us make The Ranch a unique place to stay and play. Learn how you, too, can “do it yourself” in these artisan- inspired workshops.

THE EXPERIENTIAL MARKET

Join our expert artisans and instructors at various stations as they share their talents. Learn how to create personalized perfume rollers, cultivate your own exfoliating body scrub, construct a terrarium with fresh air plants or succulents, and more. Ask your Activities Coordinator for a full list of options.

Pricing begins at \$250 per participant for 4 stations
20 participants minimum | 1.5-2 hours
Length of time and number of stations may be increased for additional fees.

BEESWAX BOUNTY

In this relaxing hands-on activity, you'll learn how to create custom candles using the natural bounty of The Ranch. We'll show you how to make a scented candle with essential oils, herbs, and blossoms.

Poured Candles:
\$125 per participant | 10 participants minimum,
20 maximum | 1 hour
Larger groups accommodated upon request.

BATH & BODY WORKSHOP

Learn how to pamper your body with products made just for you—by you! In this workshop, we'll discuss the basics of aromatherapy as we create handmade soaps and exfoliating scrubs with ingredients including herbs, salts, and essential oil harvested from lavender here at The Ranch.

\$125 per participant | 10 participants minimum,
20 maximum | 1 hour
Larger groups accommodated upon request.

BRING ON THE BATH BOMBS

This family-friendly workshop focuses on creating fun, fizzy bath bombs with natural ingredients including muscle-soothing salts and essential oils harvested from our very own lavender. It's an all-natural way to make bath time ‘da bomb!

\$125 per participant | 10 participants minimum,
20 maximum | 1 hour
Larger groups accommodated upon request.

HONEY INFUSION STATION

Meet our beekeeper and sample honey infused with the aromatic flavors of our Organic Garden as you learn more about the story behind the sweetness. After tasting different varieties, we'll help guests create their own honey blend to take home!

\$750 station fee | \$35 per participant | 10
participants minimum | 1 hour
Length of time may be increased for an additional fee.

ASTROLOGY

ASTROLOGY READINGS
HOLISTIC LIVING
SPIRITUAL GUIDANCE

ASTROLOGY WORKSHOPS WITH OUR RESIDENT ASTROLOGER

Replenish your mind, body, and soul as you explore everything the stars have in store for you and experience how to incorporate astrology and detoxification into your life—both physically and spiritually! Learn how the new moon can influence your life, or look deep into your natal chart to gain a better understanding of your life in its entirety.

\$165 per participant per hour | minimum 12 participants | 1.5-2 hours



HILLTOP EXPERIENCES

HILLTOP DISC GOLF

Come give one of the fastest-growing sports a try: You'll learn the basics of disc golf, practice throwing techniques, and play our brand-new 9-hole course! Similar to traditional golf, you're trying to reach the target in as few "shots" as possible—but in disc golf, the "hole" is a basket and your shots are actually throws with a Frisbee-like disc. Discs and bags for guests are included. Tournament-style options are available.

\$85 per participant | 10 participants minimum, 32 maximum | 2 hours

RANCH IT UP

Experience the day-to-day life of a true Rancher by going behind the scenes with our team as we tend to our friendly farm animals—and you learn what it takes to care for these magnificent creatures. Featuring livestock education, lasso lessons, and even an introduction to ranch chores!

\$125 per participant | 10 participants minimum, 25 maximum | 1.5 hours

GRAZING WITH GOATS

Go off the beaten path on a light hike to meet our favorite four-legged friends: the goats of Carmel Valley Ranch. You'll meet the goats that make the Hilltop their home and learn all about their contributions to The Ranch. Then you'll head out with our herd on a scenic stroll full of grazing and stellar views. To finish, you'll sample cheese made in our in-house creamery with milk from our Swiss Saanen dairy goats.

\$145 per participant | 10 participants minimum, 25 maximum | 1.5 hours



GUIDED OFF-ROAD EXCURSION

Explore some of the most rugged—and beautiful—mountainous areas of our 500-acre playground on this exciting off-road tour! Sit back as one of our experienced naturalists drives you through miles of scenic terrain teeming with wildlife, stopping along the way to take photos and enjoy beverages. You'll head up steep inclines that lead to majestic meadows, see towering oaks, and learn more about the history of this land and The Ranch.

\$425 for 2 riders; \$50 per additional rider (4 riders per vehicle) | Ages 8+
8 participants maximum

HILLTOP MEET & GREET

Swing on by the Hilltop to meet our herd! With animals from all round the world, from Swiss Saanen goats to sheep to Sicilian mini donkeys, the Hilltop has something for everyone!

\$425 for up to 12 participants
\$25 per additional participant | 1 hour

RANCH ENHANCEMENTS

Looking for the perfect activity to take your celebration to the next level? From golf putting to goats, these enhancements will help you spice up any event!

ROOKS & RINGERS

Nestled between the Organic Garden and golf course, this scenic patio features games that will test both mental and physical strength. With a giant chess board, two horseshoe pits, and picnic seating, this is the perfect spot to play to your heart's content. Food and beverages may be arranged through your Event Planning Manager. Bocce Ball tournaments may also be coordinated through our team for an additional fee.

\$700 for 2 hours | \$300 per additional hour

RANCH GAMES

Liven up any outdoor (or indoor!) event with classic party games like cornhole, ladder ball, giant Jenga, giant Connect 4, croquet (outdoor only), horseshoes (outdoor only), and golf putting. Perfect for cocktail receptions and family reunions.

\$150 per game for 2 hours | \$75 per game per additional hour | Site fee applies for indoor event

Cornhole (bean-bag toss) includes two sets and may be arranged as a separate, hosted tournament with music for an additional fee.





ANIMAL MEET & GREETES

Let us bring the farm to you!

Goat Gab—Add some quality time with some of The Ranch’s cutest four-legged friends.

\$700 | Includes 4 goats

Alpaca Affair—Looking for a unique touch to take your party to the next level? Our elegant Huacaya alpacas will do the trick and then some!

\$700 for 1 alpaca; \$1,200 for 2 alpacas

Donkey Down!—Meet our Sicilian mini donkeys, Paco & Pablo, and hee-haw the night away with this friendly pair of jacks! (Contact your Event Planning Manager if you want to transform your donkey into a beer burro!)

\$800 for 2 donkeys





FARM & GARDEN

Situated on 500 acres of historic farmland, The Ranch remains true to its agricultural roots by growing many of its own fruits, vegetables, herbs, and other natural ingredients. The two-acre Organic Garden—which features our Apiary, Hen House, and Salt House, along with an orchard and surrounding lavender fields—supplies the raw materials and inspiration for our renowned cuisine and therapeutic spa products. Come and take a closer look at the relationships between plants, animals, and the earth.

A BEE'S LIFE

Experience the ancient magic of beekeeping! This class begins in the Organic Garden, where we'll go bee-hind the scenes to examine the connections between plants and pollinators. Then, it's time to suit up and head into the Apiary for a closer look at The Ranch's tiniest artisans in action!

\$185 per participant | 10 participants minimum | 1.5 hours

GARDEN MEET & GREET

Where can you pick vegetables, feed chickens, taste homegrown salt crystals, and discover how last night's salad sprouted to life? Join our naturalist on a private tour of the flowerbeds, fruit orchard, vegetable garden, Hen House, and our own unique Salt House.

\$275 for up to 12 participants | \$20 per additional participant | 45 minutes-1 hour

SUSTAINABILITY TOUR

Play a part in Carmel Valley Ranch's #RanchResponsibly initiative by joining us on a tour that highlights the sustainable practices embedded in our day-to-day operations, from the golf course to gardens and everywhere in between. You'll explore the journey from seed to salad in our Organic Garden, delve into the fascinating lives of our tiniest artisans—honey bees—at the Apiary, and get up close and personal with our herd of Swiss Saanen dairy goats at the Hilltop Corral. As you experience (and taste!) The Ranch's farm-to-table roots, you'll also learn more about the myriad of other ways we practice sustainability.

Signature Sustainability Tour: \$165 per participant | 10 participants minimum, 40 maximum
Includes honey and cheese tasting | 1.5-2 hours

Premium Sustainability Tour: \$235 per participant | 10 participants minimum, 25 maximum
Includes cheese tasting, honey tasting, and suited-up exploration of Apiary hives (A Bee's Life experience) | 2.5-3 hours



FOR OUR

YOUNGEST RANCHERS

For groups that include families—or any group that just wants to play—we’ve got you covered, with activities designed to keep participants of all ages entertained for hours.



JUNIOR RANCH HANDS

Head on up to the Hilltop and try out life as a Ranch Hand! Join us for a morning full of animals from around the world, lasso lessons, and even an introduction to ranch chores. Junior Ranchers will team up with the real Ranch Hands of Carmel Valley for an entertaining and educational ranch experience they’ll never forget.

\$165 per participant | 10 participants minimum, 20 maximum | Ages 6-12 | 1.5 hours

GLOW IN THE DARK HIKE

Hiking at night in Carmel Valley is guaranteed to awaken your senses. Before we set out, we’ll wrap ourselves with EL (electroluminescent) wire and then head up the trail for a truly glowing experience! At the top, we’ll turn off our lights and tune into the peaceful sounds of nature after dark. Times vary depending on season. Additional fees and minimum two weeks’ notice required.

\$475 for up to 12 participants, \$35 per additional participant | 1 hour

JUNIOR ARCHERY

Come shoot with us! Junior Archery is geared toward ages 8-12 and includes skill-building exercises and games to keep things fun and engaging. Parents may leave children in our care and return at the end of the session.

\$110 per participant | 10 participants minimum, 15 maximum | Ages 8-12 | 1 hour

CHILDREN’S ENTERTAINMENT STATIONS

Make your main event kid-friendly with craft tables and gaming stations. Children get to enjoy the big event right along with the adults, but without getting bored!

Childcare not included. Ask your Activities Coordinator for entertainment options and fees.

PRIVATE KIDS’ CAMPS

The River Ranch Activities Cottage hosts daily programming for kids. Kids Camp (ages 2-12) offers a blend of indoor and outdoor activities; half- or full-day sessions are available.

Contact your Activities Coordinator to inquire about pricing and availability.

PRIVATE KIDS’ NIGHT OUT

Enjoy quality grownup time while children ages 2-12 enjoy their own evening of fun and socializing at the River Ranch Activities Cottage. We’ll have movies, games, arts & crafts, and much more, plus a children’s dinner.

\$165 per child | 10 children minimum \$30 per child per additional hour | 4 hours

Includes full childcare services.

Certain dates may require a buyout of the Activities Cottage at a minimum of \$1,500; ask your Activities Coordinator for availability.

Customized Kids’ Night Out: Want to keep the kids close by?

\$175 per child | 10 children minimum

Additional fees for space/audio visual and children’s dinner.



GOLFING AROUND

At the heart of Carmel Valley Ranch's 500 acres, winding from the valley floor to the bluffs, is the only Pete Dye-designed course in northern California. This par-70 track has earned a reputation for its stunning views and friendly wildlife. Please call the Golf Shop directly at 831.574.1820.

COURSE PLAY

The Ranch Golf Course is perfect for group outings and challenging enough for serious competition. Rental clubs are available. Rates vary by season and group size.

NIGHT GOLF

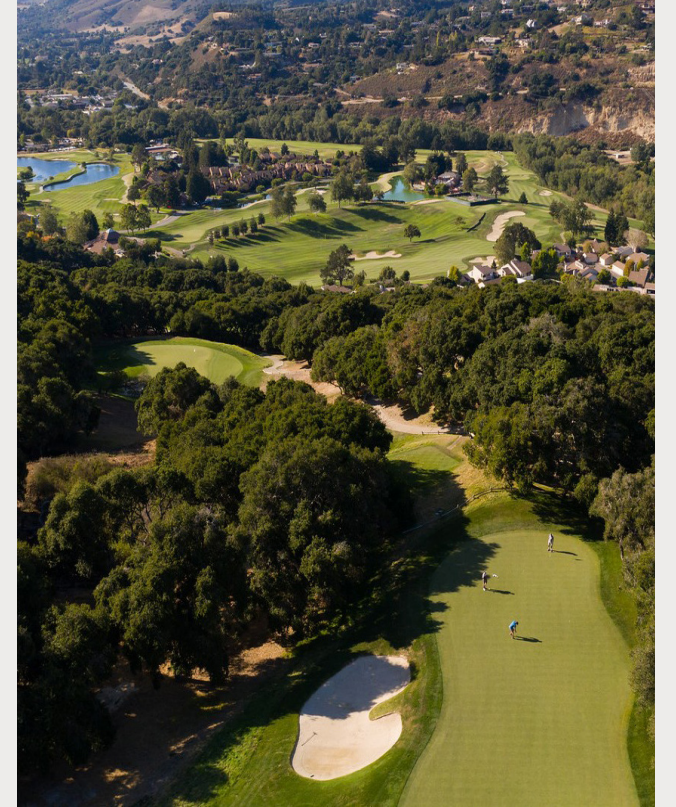
Enjoy a nighttime twist on traditional golf. Night Golf takes place behind our Golf Clubhouse, overlooking our beautiful 18th green and driving range. Glow-in-the-dark balls, flagsticks, and greens set the tone while you and your group compete in a variety of games.

\$2,000 + 20% service fee for 1 green
\$3,600 + 20% service fee for 2 greens
\$5,000 + 20% service fee for 3 greens

KAMIKAZE GOLF

Try this zany spin on a time-honored classic! Enjoy a 4-hole course using a variety of "golf clubs," such as Frisbees, hockey sticks, tennis rackets, and of course, actual golf clubs. The team score is calculated by how many throws or hits it takes to make contact with the pin!

\$125 per participant + 20% service fee | 3 participants minimum, 32 maximum
1.5-2 hours



FLOW INSTRUCTION

Enhance your golf event with Flow Instruction, which offers a reserved warm-up area, warm-up balls and our on-site Golf Academy Instructors to give your participants a few tips on how to make their day a little more fun. Flow Instruction ensures your attendees remember your event for months to come and puts you at the top of their lists for next year.

\$100 per participant per hour | 12 participants minimum, 60 maximum

INSTRUCTIONAL CLINICS

Whether you're hosting a corporate tournament or executive outing, offer your guests an instructional clinic prior to your event. Our clinics can cover the following fundamentals: putting, short game, bunker play, long game or course management. State-of-the-art video analysis is included, so your guests will be able to view and review their swing, and instructor comments are recorded for future reference.

\$100 per participant per hour | 12 participants minimum, 60 maximum

FITNESS & RECREATION

Open to all resort participants, the River Ranch complex features a 5,200-square-foot fitness center for individual workouts and a variety of exercise classes, eight tennis courts, two saltwater swimming pools, three hot tubs, a children’s activity cottage and playground area, bocce courts, a basketball hoop, ping-pong table, and fire pits. Freshly prepared food and beverages are available all day long at the River Ranch Cafe.

TENNIS

Our world-class tennis pros are available to assist in creating special tennis events, including tournaments, cardio tennis classes, and clinics customized to your group’s objectives.

PICKLEBALL

Pickleball is fun, social, and easy to learn. Our pros will be on hand to teach you how to play and score. Each two-hour session concludes with a tournament and prizes for the winners.

\$900 for up to 16 participants | \$35 per additional participant over 16 | 4 players minimum, 32 maximum on up to 8 courts | \$100 per additional hour | 2 hours

PRIVATE INDOOR OR OUTDOOR YOGA

Rebalance and rejuvenate with a private yoga class—indoors, outdoors, or with our 90-minute signature Hilltop Yoga class, which includes a short, breathtaking hike up to the yoga platform overlooking Robinson Canyon. Mats and water are provided.
Requires minimum two weeks’ notice to book.

Basic Yoga (indoor or outdoor): \$400 for up to 10 participants | \$30 per additional participant | 1 hour

Hilltop Yoga: \$500 for up to 10 participants | \$35 per additional participant | 20 participants maximum | 1.5 hours

PRIVATE GROUP FITNESS CLASSES

Choose from any of our regularly offered indoor or outdoor group exercise classes as a private experience for your group. Selections include traditional classes such as Pilates, BODYPUMP, Indoor Cycling and TRX Training. Maximum number of participants may vary by studio size and equipment.
Requires minimum one month’s notice to book.

\$250 for up to 10 participants | \$25 per additional participant | 1–1.5 hours





RELAX & REJUVENATE

Day in and day out, driven individuals work their brains nonstop. But at Carmel Valley Ranch, we know that a relaxed mind thinks better. Our professionals at Spa Aiyana are here to help you recalibrate—mentally and physically. For more information or to book a spa experience for your group, call Spa Aiyana at 831.275.1560.

SPA EXPERIENCE

Spa Aiyana, reflecting a Native American term for “eternal blossom,” takes its cues from the region to create an all-around luxury experience. Located adjacent to the Lodge Pool, the spa has 12 treatment rooms and suites, most with private outdoor terraces. The luxurious treatment suites are grouped in the same wing, perfect for private functions. The spa also features private men’s and women’s locker rooms with steam saunas, as well as a co-ed relaxation lounge. Pricing varies by treatment.

CHAIR MASSAGES

No time for a full massage? Our certified therapists will come to your break area, meeting space, or welcome reception, equipped with massage chairs.

\$200++ per hour and service provider | 6 participants per service provider | 1 hour

BLENDING BAR

An interactive spa-guided experience that blends the highest-quality organic ingredients with childhood memories of making your own lotions and potions. Create bath salts, organic body butter, a creamy scrub, or all three, and then take home your creations.

\$85 per participant for 1 item | 1–1.5 hours





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