



KENWOOD INN
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SONOMA VALLEY WINE COUNTRY INN RANKED IN TOP THREE RESORT SPAS IN THE UNITED STATES IN CONDÉ NAST TRAVELER'S APRIL 2009 READERS POLL

KENWOOD INN AND SPA TOPS THE LIST FOR CALIFORNIA OF 38 HIGHLY-RATED PROPERTIES

(Kenwood, California- March 31, 2009)– The readers of *Condé Nast Traveler* have recognized the **Kenwood Inn and Spa** (www.kenwoodinn.com) as one of the top resort spas in the United States in the magazine's April Spa Poll issue. The awards are derived from the Condé Nast Traveler Readers' Choice Survey, the largest independent poll of consumers' preferences. Over 32,000 readers voted this year as spas were rated excellent, very good, good, fair or poor for Location, Spa Facilities, Treatments, Spa Staff, Rooms, Service, and Food/ Dining. Criterion scores, representing the percentage of respondents rating a spa excellent or very good, were averaged to determine the final score. Of the top three overall highest ranking spas, the Kenwood Inn was only slightly outscored by two properties in Hawaii; however it was the only property of all 38 to receive three, perfect, 100-point scores for Treatments, Spa Staff and Service. The complete results of the awards can be found in the April issue of Condé Nast Traveler, or on the magazine's website at www.cntraveler.com.

Kenwood's full-service spa highlights the organic products of ARCONA; pure, natural, active ingredients that create powerful results for the face and body along with treatments that utilize vinotherapy and the healing power of grapes. The benefits of wine drinking have been medically documented and doctors around the world recognize the penetrating, protective qualities of topical treatments based on oils extracted from grape seeds. Kenwood's products incorporate vinotherapy; using red wine extracts, Chardonnay and Riesling oils with additional ingredients chosen for their ability to heal and protect the body, mind and senses. Popular treatments, unique to the property, include: a Wine Country Facial, Kenwood Harvest Sugar Scrub, and the Kenwood Wine Wrap with an optional Wine Bath soak add-on.

David Di Loreto, CEO for Vero Westside/ Kenwood Holdings is ecstatic over receiving this recognition: "To be called out as one of the top resort spas in the U.S.A. brings acclaim and validation to our unwavering commitment to provide an amazing, quality guest experience. Our team takes great pride in the services and treatments they offer to satisfy our regional, national and international guests who have high expectations for their Northern California wine country visit."

About the Kenwood Inn and Spa

Smartly tucked away in Sonoma County's Valley of the Moon, the Kenwood Inn and Spa is an intimate retreat hailed by wine country aficionados as the ultimate getaway. The Mediterranean-style villa has three lush courtyards - each with an exquisite saline swimming pool - fountains, a serene pond, meticulously landscaped flora, and abundant ivy cascading up, down, and around the Inn. Private guestroom entrances lead into each of the secluded twenty-nine rooms and suites designed with guest privacy in mind. The Kenwood Inn and Spa, built in 1990, is owned by Kenwood Inn Holdings LLC and is managed by the award-winning management company, Columbia Hospitality, Inc. The Inn is located at 10400 Sonoma Highway in Kenwood, www.kenwoodinn.com

About Columbia Hospitality, Inc.

Columbia Hospitality, Inc., a Seattle-based hospitality management and consulting firm with a growing portfolio of award-winning hotels, spas, conference centers and unique hospitality venues, was founded in 1995 by John Oppenheimer. Columbia creates memorable experiences for guests and team members while achieving phenomenal results for owners. The company's continued success has led to an international expansion of the consulting division and more than 80 hospitality development projects in the western United States, Canada, Portugal and the United Kingdom. For more information about Columbia and a full list of properties visit columbiahospitality.com

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