



FACTS AT A GLANCE ASILOMAR CONFERENCE GROUNDS

Asilomar Conference Grounds, known as Monterey Peninsula's "Refuge by the Sea" is located on 107 acres of protected beachfront land, within the quaint and scenic town of Pacific Grove. Asilomar State Beach and Conference Grounds became part of the California State Park system in 1956, and is part of the Asilomar Marine Reserve and the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary.

Established:	July 1, 1956 by California State Parks
Size:	107 total acres: 36 acres include the sand dunes and beach; 71 remaining acres encompass the Conference Grounds.
Visitation:	700,000 annually (500,000 at beach, 200,000 at Conference Grounds)
Features:	313 Guest Rooms Common Living Rooms 21 Special Event Rooms Beach Heated Outdoor Pool
Nearby Recreation:	Bicycling Boating/Sailing Fishing Golf Courses Horseback Riding Jogging Trails Scuba Diving Shopping Mall Outdoor Tennis
Elevation:	Sea level – 35 feet
Habitats:	Pine/oak forest, sand dunes, beach
Birds:	Various migratory birds, such as the Townsend warblers and pygmy nuthatches in the forest, and brown pelicans along the coastline. Commonly seen year-round are the American crow, the great-horned owl, the red-shouldered hawk, the acorn woodpecker, the scrub jay, and flocks of sanderlings on the sandy beach at dawn and dusk.
Wildlife:	Black-tailed deer, raccoon, opossum, fox, coyote, mountain lion, sea lions, harbor seals and otters.
Migratory Creatures:	Majestic monarch butterflies migrate in October and November and stay through March; Awe-inspiring gray whales can be seen off shore December through February.



Dunes: Strong winds in spring blow sand off the beach into the first set of dunes, called foredunes, which are critical to preserving the beach by balancing erosion and deposition. The dunes are actually growing taller, because plants such as beach sagewort, pink and yellow verbena, beach bur and dune ryegrass are able to catch blowing sand.

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