

**CALISTOGA RANCH RANKS HIGH IN TRAVEL + LEISURE'S  
13<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL "WORLD'S BEST" POLL**

*Calistoga Ranch Singled Out Among The World's Top Hotels*

**CALISTOGA, Calif. (July 16, 2008)** – Calistoga Ranch, the award-winning Napa Valley resort and lodging club, is proud to be honored in *Travel + Leisure's* 13<sup>th</sup> annual "World's Best" readers poll issue. The accolades, awarded by the savvy readers of *Travel + Leisure*, are a true mark of achievement in the luxury hospitality industry.

One of only ten California properties to place in the World's Top 100 Hotels, Calistoga Ranch came in at #92 in the World's Top Hotels list and ranked an impressive #26 in the Top 100 Hotels in U.S. and Canada.

"It is an honor and accomplishment to be thought of so highly by our guests," said Mark Harmon, Chief Executive Officer for Auberge Resorts. "Luxury travelers have an exceptional number of hotels and resorts to choose from and we are truly pleased that *Travel + Leisure's* discriminating readers gave us such exceptional marks."

*Travel + Leisure* magazine's annual "World's Best readers' poll appears in the October issue of the magazine and can also be viewed online at <http://www.travelandleisure.com/worldsbest/2008/>. In order to be eligible for the World's Best Awards, properties must not only receive high marks from readers of the magazine but also a minimum number of reader evaluations. Hotels that were ranked were judged by a variety of criteria including rooms/facilities, location, service, restaurants/food and overall value. The tops ranked spas in the survey were judged on ambience, treatments, service and their overall value to guests.

Located in a private canyon on 157 acres just outside the town of Calistoga, Calistoga Ranch encompass 46 guest lodges offering overnight accommodations, spa services, historic Lake Lommel, and the private Lakehouse Restaurant and lounge. The property's contemporary architecture is inspired by its natural surroundings, and created to fit the landscape, with a focus on an indoor-outdoor lifestyle. In keeping with the rich heritage of Napa Valley, Calistoga Ranch features an on-site vineyard and mountain wine cave, where owners and guests can share in the process of winemaking and immerse themselves in the wine culture. Owners and resort guests also enjoy a number of

recreational activities including swimming in a pool overlooking the vineyards and oak groves, and hiking on one of the property's numerous trails.

### **About Auberge Resorts**

**Auberge Resorts** is a collection of exceptional hotels, resorts and private clubs, each with a unique personality that assures a memorable guest experience. Among the distinctive properties are Auberge du Soleil, Napa Valley; Esperanza, Cabo San Lucas; Calistoga Ranch, Napa Valley; The Inn at Palmetto Bluff, Bluffton, S.C., and Encantado, Santa Fe, with several others in development. While Auberge Resorts nurtures the individuality of each establishment, all are characterized by a set of communal elements: intimate, understated elegance; captivating locations that inspire exceptional cuisine and spa experiences; and gracious yet unobtrusive service. For more information about Auberge Resorts, please visit [www.aubergeresorts.com](http://www.aubergeresorts.com)

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