

THE HACIENDA History



SINCE 1901

Step back in time as you enter The Hacienda. Originally built in the early 1900's, the Hacienda was a working ranch where orange and avocado groves flourished. During the era of the last owners, the Brisco family, the property was known as "Casa Contenta." The original home and acreage were well tended and much admired. The property was marked with lines of palm and orchid trees. What used to be the lengthy drive to the house (accented with grazing geese and peacocks) is now College Avenue.

In 1975 June Neptune purchased and restored The Hacienda back to its original splendor, complete with courtyards, fountains, romantic balconies entwined in ivy, three fireplaces, grand staircases, antiques and much more.

As you walk through our property, you will notice that what is now the kitchen was once the garage of the home. If you were to remove the flooring you would find that the work pits still exist. The garage doors are now hanging in the area we call the Cantina as a backdrop. They were painted by a local artist. The Cantina was originally the tack room for the house.

As you enter the old courtyard of The Hacienda, notice how the vines have wrapped themselves around the windows. Wander through the daughter's old bedroom, the living room, dining room, the master bedroom upstairs and the original kitchen, which is now our office. Note as you enter these rooms, the antiques are from different periods, some dating back to the 1700's.

In 1989, the Neptune's created the Taos Room. They did so in the style of Santa Fe, New Mexico. When you enter this room, notice the 250 year old antique church doors and the hand carved columns from India that are over 500 years old.



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