

THE HISTORY OF THE STONE HOUSE



Tucked away and almost hidden from sight stands a 130-year-old building made of granite and stone. It is situated amongst the serene hills of Temecula Creek Inn's Stonehouse Course and is surrounded by century-old oak trees.

The history of the historic Stone House began in the late 1800s during the time that the hills were being quarried for granite. The Stone House was used as a mess hall for the hard-working quarrymen. The workers were able to retreat from the sun to find comfort within its cool walls.



Years later, after the hills had seen the last quarryman, a gentleman by the name of Conivar purchased the Stone House and used it as a workshop and exhibit. He built biblical sand sculptures and called it Bibleland. He was a successful businessman due to the main road running right past his property and the growth in population. But as in any town, with growth comes traffic and it had become necessary to build a freeway. Highway 15, after its completion, cut off all access to his business, so he decided to sell and move to Yucaipa.



In 1970, another gentleman by the name of Hearsh bought the property, which by now had a golf course surrounding the Stone House, and a small hotel and restaurant. Mr. Hearsh decided to build a second floor to the Stone House, and used it to house the property mechanic.

Presently, the historic Stone House hosts special events both indoors and out on its spacious lawn, including romantic weddings, company picnics, and birthday and anniversary parties. Even after 130 years of history and experience, the historic Stone House still manages to intrigue and fascinate onlookers.

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