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Inn of the Month: Iron Springs Resort on the Washington Coast



When Iron Springs Resort re-opened two summers ago, it was cause for celebration. The storied resort, on a remote and windswept section of the Washington Coast, had been a popular retreat for Seattle and Portland families for decades, but had fallen into disrepair. Rather than see it crumble from neglect, longtime regulars Doug and Bill True and their spouses Janet and Ruth bought the property and renovated it from head to toe.

(Brothers Doug and Bill had been coming since they were boys in the 1960's.) The 25 rustic cabins, most of which sit

atop a steep bluff, were rebuilt and re-appointed with pillow-top beds, Pendleton blankets, wood stoves, and new dining tables—some made from felled spruce trees found on-site. Each cabin has floor-to-ceiling windows that frame expansive views of the Pacific.

They have fully-equipped kitchens; all you need is food, which can be found at the resort's well-curated general store. (Or at Voss Acres market in nearby Copalis Crossing.) Judging by the comments in 10B's guest book, return customers are thrilled. "I almost cried when I saw 10B's beautiful new look," reads one entry. "It's like an alternate reality where everything at Iron Springs is as it should be."

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