

A Legacy Vineyard

An aerial photograph of a vineyard in Carmel Valley, California. The foreground shows neat rows of young grapevines on a hillside, with a dirt road curving through them. In the middle ground, a larger, more established vineyard covers a larger slope. The background features rolling hills and mountains under a clear sky, with a few scattered trees and a small white building visible on a distant hillside.

Carmel Valley

Bernardus Vineyard

147 Acres



The Vineyard

Planted in 1990, the Marinus vineyard lies on rolling hills with an elevation of 1200 feet.


Bernardus Founder Ben Pon set out to make a red wine equal to the finest from Bordeaux. To achieve this, Ben, a Dutchman who could have planted vineyards anywhere in the world, chose Carmel Valley for his estate vineyards.

The Vines

A premium selection of vines have been planted and curated over the property's 30+ year vineyard history.

The 37.48-acre vineyard is currently planted with 32 acres of vines comprised of Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, Petit Verdot, Malbec, Petit Syrah, and Merlot.

Production has been tailored for yielding premium quality fruit with production averaging 1.1 to 2.0 tons/acre from 2018-2023.



Carmel and the Pacific



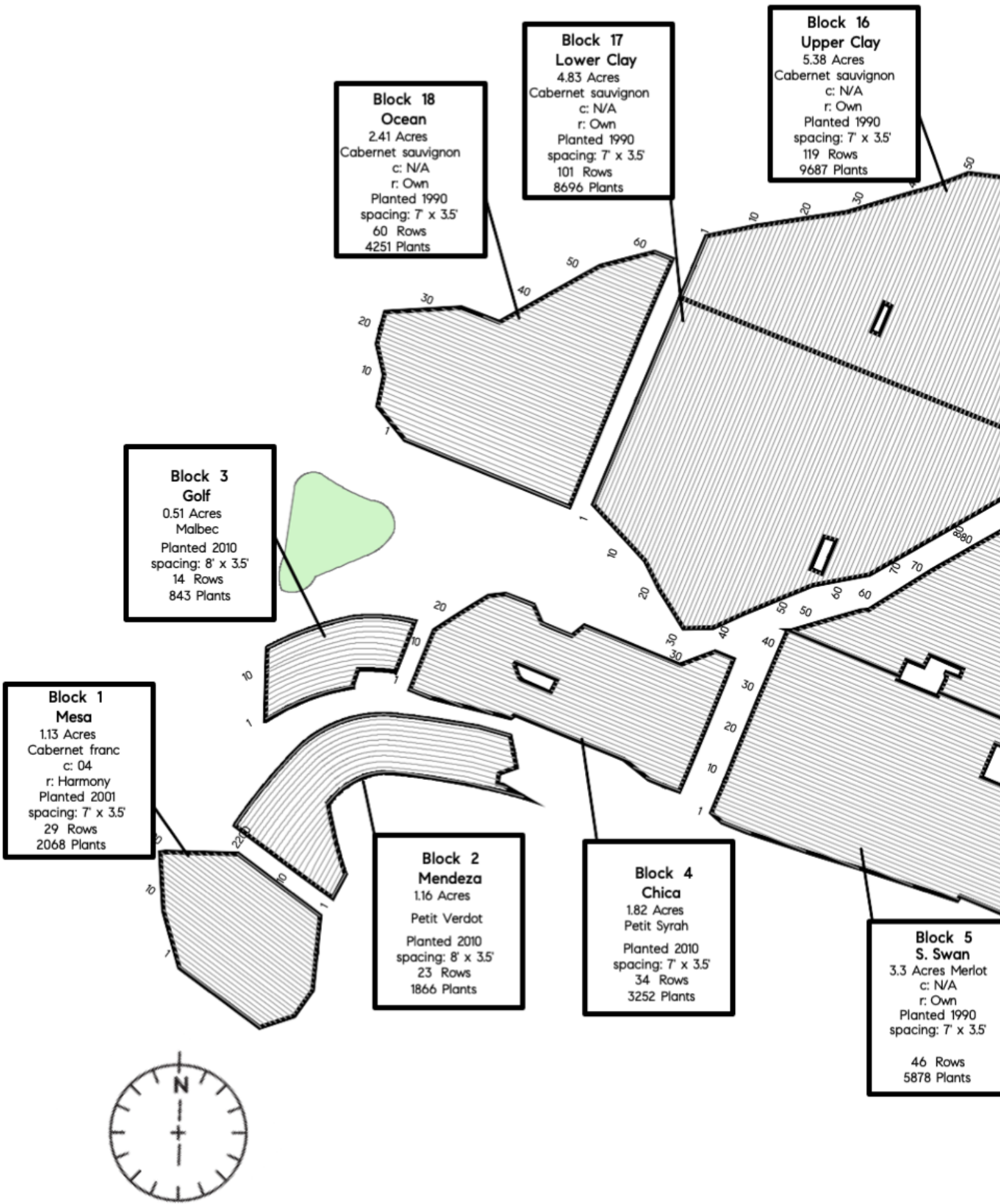
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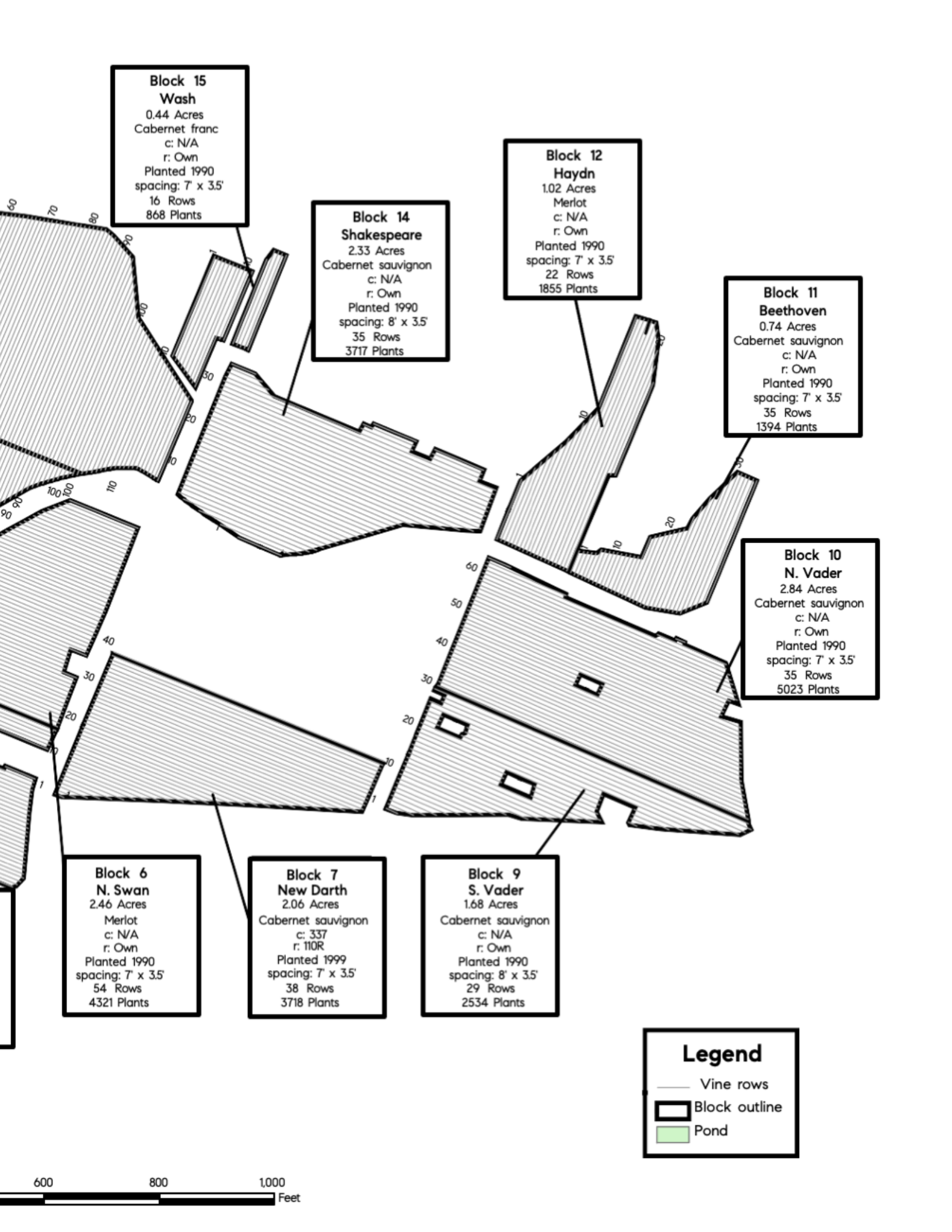
Carmel Valley is surrounded by the ridges of the Santa Lucia Mountains. Cachagua Valley is a sun-trap, a "bowl" in a high elevation that is shielded from the coastal fog and ideal for growing Bordeaux-style grapes.

The daily temperatures vary from over 100° F. during the day to 50° F. during the night. The geographic "bowl" effect traps the heat during the day while elevation and ocean proximity produce cool nights. This unique microclimate creates a prolonged growing season allowing full flavor development of the fruit while on the vine.

Recognized Quality

The wines produced from the vineyard are consistently awarded 90+ scores for their quality and structure that will age. Beautiful dark red fruit with subtle spice note and velvety finishes. Tasting notes cite the very rich and intense flavors that are supported by ripe tannins on the finish. This vineyard is nurtured to produce wines that will have a long life, much like that of a fine Bordeaux.





Block 15
Wash
 0.44 Acres
 Cabernet franc
 c: N/A
 r: Own
 Planted 1990
 spacing: 7' x 3.5'
 16 Rows
 868 Plants

Block 14
Shakespeare
 2.33 Acres
 Cabernet sauvignon
 c: N/A
 r: Own
 Planted 1990
 spacing: 8' x 3.5'
 35 Rows
 3717 Plants

Block 12
Haydn
 1.02 Acres
 Merlot
 c: N/A
 r: Own
 Planted 1990
 spacing: 7' x 3.5'
 22 Rows
 1855 Plants

Block 11
Beethoven
 0.74 Acres
 Cabernet sauvignon
 c: N/A
 r: Own
 Planted 1990
 spacing: 7' x 3.5'
 35 Rows
 1394 Plants




Block 10
N. Vader
 2.84 Acres
 Cabernet sauvignon
 c: N/A
 r: Own
 Planted 1990
 spacing: 7' x 3.5'
 35 Rows
 5023 Plants

Block 6
N. Swan
 2.46 Acres
 Merlot
 c: N/A
 r: Own
 Planted 1990
 spacing: 7' x 3.5'
 54 Rows
 4321 Plants

Block 7
New DARTH
 2.06 Acres
 Cabernet sauvignon
 c: 337
 r: 110R
 Planted 1999
 spacing: 7' x 3.5'
 38 Rows
 3718 Plants

Block 9
S. Vader
 1.68 Acres
 Cabernet sauvignon
 c: N/A
 r: Own
 Planted 1990
 spacing: 8' x 3.5'
 29 Rows
 2534 Plants

Legend

-  Vine rows
-  Block outline
-  Pond



Water System and Resources

Irrigation water is provided by riparian water rights to the Carmel River and three onsite wells. One well is for domestic use and two are for agriculture.

There is a large reservoir that is recharged with ground water/ runoff and can be replenished with the property's water system. This connects to the irrigation throughout the vineyard.



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Reservoir and holding pond

Dock and viewing deck over the pond



Upper storage tanks that are replenished and gravity fed to the vines below

Lower pumphouse and well with a lawn and picnic area

The Buildings

The property includes a residence, storage warehouse/ shop/ office and an equipment shed.



Storage warehouse/ shop/ office



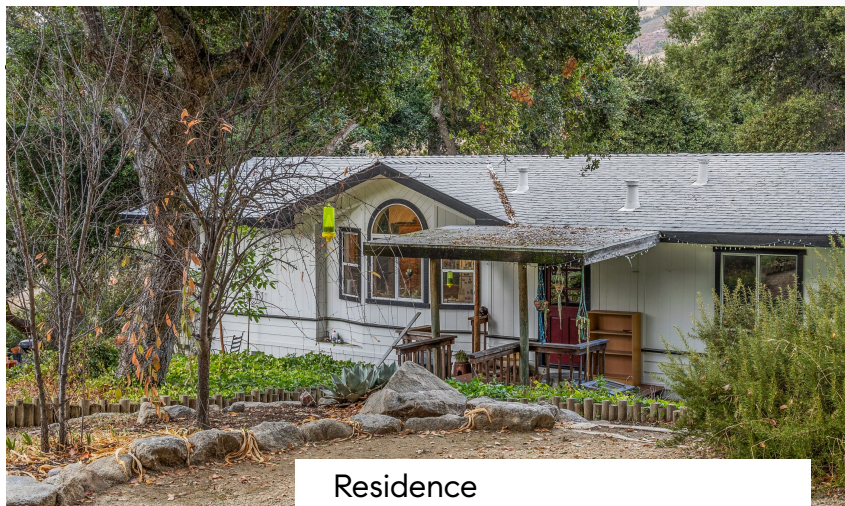
4,380 SF



Equipment shed



2,400 SF



Residence



1,560 SF

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