



RANCHO MISSION VIEJO



"The Freedom to Flourish"

Discover the freedom to flourish at Rancho Mission Viejo. Our story starts over 130 years ago with a handshake, when your word was your bond. Rancho Mission Viejo was born out of the spirit of the west and the promise of a better life. Over a century of family ownership has taught each generation to nurture the land and take care of it, so it can take care of them. Our culture of care continues to flourish today. We are still a working ranch with livestock, orchards and a nature reserve.

Our residents take pride in taking care of the land and each other. And we still value an honest handshake too. We know it can be the start of something truly special. So stay a while and have a look around. All of our photography and videos feature real residents who helped us share our story of this special place with the people who love it most.



NURTURE YOUR NATURE

Life at Rancho Mission Viejo starts with the land. Not just any land, but 23,000 acres of the most beautiful rolling hills, meandering meadows, oak groves, creeks, canyons and orchards in all of Southern California. Discover a deeper and more authentic connection to the great outdoors with an abundance of scenic views, trails, parks, farms and open spaces that offer more peace of mind and room to roam. Our unique connection to nature is cherished and protected with over 75% of The Ranch lands preserved as The Nature Reserve at Rancho Mission Viejo.

The Place to Be In The S.O.C

The only thing better than living on The Ranch is exploring everything around it. South Orange County offers world-class recreation and relaxation surrounded by rolling hills and historic coastal towns. You can explore over 41 miles of iconic beaches just a short drive away. When you move to The Ranch, you're gaining access to the vibrant South Orange County community.

A Culture of Care with Deep Roots

We've been ranching this land for over 140 years. Cow Camp functions as the heart of the community's ranching operations and is the place for ranch hands to gather at dawn for the day's assignments and at dusk to review the day's accomplishments.

A Historic Cattle Ranch

Rancho Mission Viejo has certainly evolved over the past 140 years. But throughout it all, we've remained an authentic ranch with pastures, cattle and cowboys riding the range.

The Spirit of The Ranch

Cow Camp functions as the heart of the community's ranching operations and is home to the Vaqueros and their families, and a protected place for horse pastures, row crops, the tack room and large corrals. Cow Camp is the place for ranch hands to gather at dawn for the day's assignments and then return at dusk to review the day's accomplishments.

Freshly Picked Produce

Orchards of oranges have given way to acres of new lemon and avocado trees over the last decade on The Ranch. Today, more than 9,000 avocado trees and 63,000 lemon trees are harvested year-round, making Rancho Mission Viejo one of the largest citrus producers in Orange County.



A Wild Tradition

Each August, thousands would travel to The Rancho Mission Viejo Rodeo to experience the excitement of bareback riding, saddle bronc riding, steer wrestling, tie down roping, team roping and bull riding at one of the richest two-day rodeos in the nation. The funds raised helped honor the old cowboy tradition of “passing the hat” in support of local non-profits. Over the two decades of rodeos, nearly \$3 million was raised in funding for local charities.



GROW BETTER TOGETHER

Get closer to nature and neighbors with all the elements to grow and thrive. RanchLife brings everyone together in the best possible ways. Each of our residential villages, parks, pools, clubhouses, sports fields, community farms, schools and retail spaces share the same goal, to encourage and enrich our sense of community.



A World of Fun Outside Your Door

They say variety is the spice of life. Find an assortment of activities on The Ranch made for sports-fans, nature-lovers and all-around-fun-seekers. Discover over 50 community clubs and resident programs — created by partnering with some of our favorite local organizations.



ESENCIA
SPORTS PARK

Pickleball Courts

Get ready to serve up some fun on The Ranch's 12 currently open Pickleball courts—4 at Sendero Field and 8 at North Plunge—with 8 more all-age courts coming soon at Gavilán Ridge!

Whether you're a seasoned pro or new to the game, The Ranch's residents can take advantage of various tournaments, clubs, and daily activities that bring neighbors closer.

MIND
BODY
AND
SOIL

The Ranch teaches you to take care of the land, each other and yourself. Our down to earth way of life has deep roots in agriculture and sustainable living that offers a natural harvest of health, fitness and community. There is an essential relationship between well-being and that of The Ranch habitat that surrounds and nurtures us. With the Villages of Rienta and Gavilan Ridge, we aspire to lift the spirits and provide residents with even more paths toward a healthier, happier and longer life.



The Global Wellness Institute's Build Well to Live Well

Report: The Future Case Studies named Rancho Mission Viejo as one of only two communities in California, and just 13 worldwide, leading the way in wellness living.

This honor celebrates what makes life here so special: a community designed for connection, surrounded by nature, and filled with opportunities to thrive every single day. From meaningful friendships to inspiring amenities and wide-open spaces, The Ranch isn't just where you live, it's where wellness becomes a way of life.

Explore More Outdoors

Rancho Mission Viejo was conceived as a place where its residents can find refuge in its fresh air and grand open spaces, hike its system of trails and have the opportunity to explore the natural wonderland in its Reserve. The Ranch's natural terrain and wildlife is the perfect antidote to our digitally-dependent, attention-squeezed lives.



A Wealth of Health & Fitness

Ranch residents are active, able to exercise in the multiple open-air fitness centers, hike the trails, improve their balance and strength in our community's movement studios, swim in the lap pools or play pickleball and tennis – if there is a fitness whim, The Ranch can satisfy it.



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Conclusion: The Heart of RMV

Rancho Mission Viejo is more than a master-planned community — it's a living, evolving expression of the best parts of Southern California life. Here, quiet mornings meet vibrant evenings, local cafés share space with open trails, and neighbors become collaborators in shaping a place that feels both fresh and familiar. From its rolling hills to its growing creative corners, RMV continues to define itself not by rapid development, but by intentional living: slowing down when the world moves too fast, gathering in spaces that spark connection, and celebrating the makers, dreamers, and families who call this valley home.

As we close this edition of City Beat RMV, we invite you to explore, support, and rediscover the places featured in these pages — and to take part in the stories still being written across this community. Rancho Mission Viejo is on the rise, but its spirit remains rooted in the simple joys of everyday life: good food, good company, and the landscapes that remind us why we belong here.

Here's to the next chapter — and to the people who make RMV truly remarkable.

