OUR SOFTER FOOTPRINT

FURNACE CREEK RESORT

DEATH VALLEY NATIONAL PARK

Legendary Hospitality by Xanterra

welcome

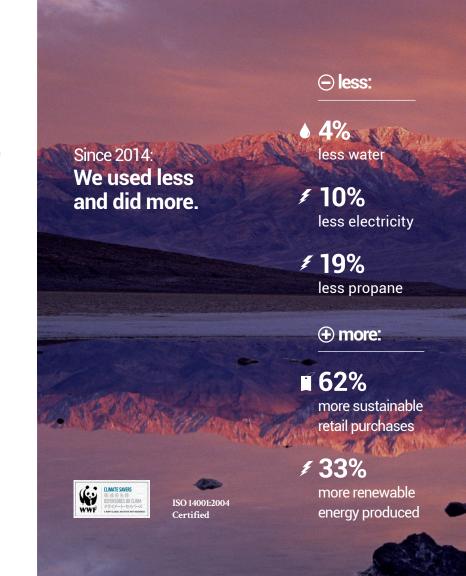
At Furnace Creek Resort, a Xanterra Parks & Resorts® property, we embrace our responsibility to conserve Death Valley's fragile ecosystem, and we are dedicated to providing Legendary Hospitality with a Softer Footprint. In recognition of our efforts to conserve water and energy, minimize waste, and prevent pollution, we have become a certified "Environmentalist" through California's Green Lodging Program—earning the highest level of achievement possible.

Every aspect of Furnace Creek Resort plays a role in preserving this special desert oasis for generations to come—from our innovative water recycling solutions to our Audubon-certified golf course. We've taken a stand to protect one of the most beautiful places on earth and are proud of our dedicated employees and guests, who join us in our sustainability efforts.

We hope your stay inspires you to make your next step lighter than your last. Together, we can enjoy and protect Death Valley's delicate environment.



Dominie Lenz General Manager Furnace Creek Resort Xanterra Parks & Resorts



water

Death Valley averages less than two inches of rainfall each year. Yet even here, in the hottest, driest spot in North America, is a thriving desert oasis with areas of wetland habitat—Furnace Creek Resort. We use a gravity-fed system of natural springs for water, and we work hard to conserve this precious resource through a variety of on-site recycling and reuse methods.

For example, water from our two, spring-fed swimming pools flows into our lush inn gardens and golf course ponds. The ponds in turn serve as the water source for our entire golf course irrigation system. Any water not used on site is diverted underground to Badwater Basin, where it supports a thriving desert ecosystem.

At our dining establishments, we only serve water upon request and refrain from water-thawing frozen items during food preparation. We also invite our guests to help us conserve water by reusing clean towels and linens and turning off the tap while toothbrushing or shaving. Thank you!



The Data:

We reuse more than one million gallons of water every day by allowing our spring-fed pool water to flow into our gardens and golf course ponds.



oasis

Open in 1931, the Furnace Creek Golf Course holds the distinction of being the lowest grass course in the world, at 214 feet below sea level. In order to maintain this historic course in a way that is both sustainable and compatible with the conservation goals of the surrounding National Park, Furnace Creek has worked closely with the Audubon Society to make our golf course a Certified Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary.

Through this award-winning Audubon program, we've reduced our chemical use and made improvements in our wildlife and habitat management. We've also improved our water quality and conservation efforts, guest outreach, and education.

The Furnace Creek Golf Course is now a great spot for bird watching. Some of the species you may spy are great blue heron, great egret, California quail, Anna's hummingbird, cactus wren, western willet, killdeer, Inca dove, prairie falcon, kestrel, black-necked stilt, snowy egret, western tanager, great-tailed grackle, and the iconic greater roadrunner.



The Data:

Our golf course uses about 80% fewer chemicals than typical golf courses, making it a safe habitat for wildlife—and our guests.

