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Celebrate the Holidays on Monterey Old Fisherman's Wharf and Enjoy Free Parking on Christmas Day/Night -- Many Wharf Merchants Will Be Open Daily Throughout the Holidays

December 18, 2015 Monterey, CA. Celebrate the holidays on Monterey's Old Fisherman's Wharf with your family and friends! Monterey's Old Fisherman's Wharf will be open for business throughout the holidays as well as on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Special for Christmas Day/Night this year, there will be free parking all day and night on Christmas Day in the Waterfront parking lot as well as the customary 2 hour free parking available Monday – Thursday for those with Monterey County ID. Enjoy dining at Wharf restaurants, shopping, candy stores, whale watching, sailing and fresh seafood to take home for all of your last minute Holiday shopping and dining. Go to <u>http://montereywharf.com/index.php?page=wharf-holiday-</u> hours for a list of many Wharf merchants who will be open throughout the holidays!

For more information about Monterey's Old Fisherman's Wharf, go to <u>www.montereywharf.com</u> or call (831) 238-0777.

About Monterey's Old Fisherman's Wharf:

Monterey's Old Fisherman's Wharf is open 365 days a year including during the holidays (holiday schedule is on the events page on <u>www.montereywharf.com</u>). Visitors to Monterey's Old Fisherman's Wharf will want to plan their visit to include lunch or dinner at one of the many Wharf restaurants. A visit to the beautiful Monterey Peninsula just isn't complete without a rendezvous with Old Fisherman's Wharf adjacent to downtown Monterey that was built in 1845 for regular passenger and freight service. Known as the "Whale Watching Capital of the World™" and a top destination of visitors from around the world, Monterey's Old Fisherman's Wharf provides a wide array of award-winning dining, shopping, live theater, special events, whale watching, bay cruises, a glass bottom boat, marine life, fishing and sailing, and strolling leisurely in a gorgeous setting overlooking the Monterey Bay.

Savor delicious cuisine at a myriad of fabulous restaurants featuring stunning views and awardwinning Italian food, sustainable seafood, grass-fed steaks, including the region's famous clam chowder and calamari. Enjoy salt water taffy, homemade chocolates, caramel apples, cotton candy and many other yummy treats. View sea otters, sea lions, harbor seals, dolphins, whales, sea birds and other wildlife "up close and personal" that also share the Wharf. Watch people who have gone out and caught their own fish on the local and chartered fishing boats return with their own "catch of the day".

Celebrate the first location in Monterey County where tender abalone was cooked and served in a restaurant. Check out the many fun shops to find the perfect memento of your visit and a variety of unique gifts. Enjoy the exquisite views and the "best place to walk and people watch" in Monterey County!

Situated near downtown Monterey, Old Fisherman's Wharf is conveniently located along the Monterey Bay Recreation Trail and has plenty of nearby parking.

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