

Melhana Resort is an historic plantation comprised of thirty buildings that are located on a forty-acre property. All of our guestrooms are exquisitely decorated, each in its unique style. There is an indoor pool, a historic theater, a clay tennis court, and a fitness center with massage therapist. Reservations may be made for in season quail hunting, horseback riding, carriage rides and tours. The Restaurant in the Inn at Melhana serves dinner nightly and provides a gourmet, fine dining experience with elegant china, silver, crystal and white glove service; reservations (and a jacket for gentlemen) are requested. Melhana is a non-smoking facility; however for the convenience of our guests we do provide ashtrays on the veranda.

**The Squirrel's Cottage** -The three bedrooms and a shared living room and kitchen is perfect for a family or group seeking privacy. The cedar-paneled living room with leather chairs, sofa, and table by the bay window, is an ideal location for gatherings or breakout groups. The kitchen seats four guests and has a refrigerator and microwave. All of the rustic cottage bedrooms have king or queen size four poster beds with custom-made feather duvets and private baths.

**The Hibernia Cottage** -Originally the creamery for the plantation, the buildings fluted columns, thick leaded glass windows and marble portico enhance the charm of this romantic building with double Plantation shuttered windows. The king-size iron bed, ten-foot ceilings, antique side tables and desk accent the pale green walls of the bedroom. The bath features double sinks and a magnificent double Jacuzzi.

#### **The Village at Melhana**

Walking distance from the Main House, and next to the stables and bell tower, the horseshoe-shaped historic cluster of five brick buildings with marble pediments and antique glass is another lovely example of Georgian Revival architecture. The village is comprised of the Foshalee, Mandalay, Cedar Grove, Ireland Building and The Lewis Presidential Suite.

**The Foshalee** -Originally used as a dairy barn, these eight uniquely designed rooms make up the Foshalee Building and are decorated in an equestrian theme with custom-made wrought iron king size beds, custom-made linens, wood floors, a writing desk with dataport, large Jacuzzis and walk-in showers.

**The Cedar Grove** -Originally the plantation bull barn, this lovely building has been transformed into three beautiful guestrooms, each with a four poster King-size bed with custom linens, an entertainment center and a writing desk with dataport. Two of the rooms have a Jacuzzi and the third room is handicapped accessible. The guestrooms have a patio and awning with coachlights to allow guest to enjoy the lovely property.

**The Mandalay** –Formerly known as the plantation calf barn, this lovely red brick building houses two guestrooms. Each room opens onto a patio that enables guests to view the beautiful pine thicket that stretches behind this building. Each guestroom has a four poster King-size bed with custom-made linens, an entertainment center, a writing desk with dataport and a Jacuzzi. The rooms have many windows from which to view the beautiful grounds surrounding the building.

**The Ireland** –Previously known as the plantation carriage house, this beautiful brick building still retains the lovely original arched doors through which the carriages passed and the historic brick walls. Three luxury guestrooms are offered in this building which showcase the lovely red brick walls inside the guestrooms. The guestrooms are finely appointed with a four poster King-size beds with imported linens, an entertainment center, a writing desk with dataport and a Jacuzzi tub for two.

#### **The Lewis Presidential Suite**

This impressive suite was once part of the stable additions, and now boasts two luxurious guestrooms with large windows, King-size four poster plantation beds, designer equestrian fabrics, and custom draperies. These suites share a lavish common hospitality suite that features an antique conference table accompanied by ten leather antique chairs, wet bar, full size refrigerator, microwave, three large screen televisions, CD player, full theater surround sound, DVD player, and VCR. The beautiful French doors of the hospitality suite lead to a spacious private patio that faces the historic stable area.

#### **The Owl's Nest**

The Owl's Nest was the main house for Sinkola Plantation. The beautiful terrace and large Magnolia Room are available for special events. There are four large guestrooms available,

#### **The Melrose Suite – South Wing**

One of our largest rooms, The Melrose Suite, embodies all of the beautiful things at Melhana. The walls and fabrics in the room are decorated with many of the flowers seen in our gardens. The Melrose has a lovely view of the Avenue of the Magnolias and Pool House. It is spacious with twelve-foot ceilings, his and her vanities and a king-size, four poster bed. The Melrose Suite also has a large, cultured marble Jacuzzi and its own entrance from the veranda.

#### **The Sinkola Suite – South Wing**

The cool reserve of this suite is dramatically conveyed with its soft silver grays and rich leather chairs that await the guest. The 12-ft. ceilings and king-size four-poster bed augment the elegance of this suite. The Sinkola possesses a Jacuzzi bath and ornamental fireplace. From the window of the Sinkola Suite one may peer out onto the Pool House or the Owl's Nest.

#### **The Elsoma Suite – South Wing**

Sister rooms, The Salome Room and the Sevilla Room, make up this two-bedroom suite. Both rooms complement one another in beiges and greens that match the historic pattern used in the windows of these two rooms. The Hanna's originally used the pattern in the early twentieth century. Both have ornamental fireplaces, queen beds, and share an adjoining bath.

### **The Winnstead Suite – North Wing**

This beautiful suite possesses a removed privacy and regal atmosphere. The Winnstead Suite has a peaceful view of the Avenue of Magnolias and the veranda. The room's mahogany furniture and deep blue damask fabrics lend a sense of strength and calm to its grand size. The Winnstead has twelve-foot ceilings, a cultured marble Jacuzzi and king-size four-poster bed.

### **The Twin Oaks Room – North Wing**

An antique, flame mahogany, four-poster queen size summer bed is sheltered within this suite. It is lively yet refined with deep wine walls and beautiful Camellia prints, which are testament to the clouds of camellias that bloom each winter at Melhana. This room features an ornamental fireplace, spacious bath, and walk-in closet.

### **The Pebble Hill Room - North Wing**

Summer's vivaciousness is infused in this room with a cream yellow, green and rose trim to accent the floral print. The Pebble Hill boasts a bathroom with Jacuzzi, a wall of mirrors, 12-ft. ceilings, ornamental fireplace, and queen-size bed. The view from the windows of the Pebble Hill Room offers a perspective of the Pool House, Avenue of Magnolias, and Veranda.

### ***The Upstairs Rooms...***

#### **The Gignillait Suite – Upstairs Room**

A green and rose floral print provides the romantic charm of the countryside in this suite. The cozy desk area and private attached bath welcome the guest with the comfort of home. From the second story window one may gaze upon the formal gardens and sunken garden. The Gignillait Suite boasts a king-size bed with a custom-made duvet and 65-oz. goosedown comforter.

#### **The Doctor Jones Room – Upstairs Room**

The enthusiast of the hunt will find this room perfect. Decorated in the English fox hunt theme, the room is lit by a hanging lamp fashioned from brass hunting bugles. The Doctor Jones Room has a king-size plantation bed with 65-oz. goosedown comforter and custom duvet. The window provides a magnificent view of the garden courtyard and surrounding grounds.

#### **The Coalson Room – Upstairs Room**

The guest is serenely welcomed with gold and cream whites accented with the print of southern magnolias. The Coalson Room is one of subtly stated elegance and provides a magnificent view of the gardens from its window. The Coalson Room has a plush king bed with 65-oz. goosedown comforter and custom duvet. The private bath is located a few steps down the hall.

#### **The Wyche Room – Upstairs Room**

A romantic ambience is created with this charming red French toile pattern. The Wyche Room is beautifully furnished with an elegant red chair and antique queen-size bed. It provides a private desk area and the private bathroom is located just a few steps down the hall. The second story window of the Wyche Room looks out on a sweeping view of the plantation.

We are located just ten minutes from Historic Downtown Thomasville and twenty minutes north of Tallahassee.

## Amenities -

- The Hogan Clay Tennis Court** -Dr. William Hogan and his wife added the tennis court in 1986. Guests are invited to bring their racquets and enjoy the fantastic clay courts during their stay by reserving time with Guest Services, or they may use the racquets and balls provided.
- The Pool House** -This lovely building doubles as a terrarium, and the pool heats when the temperature falls below forty degrees allowing the tropical plants a warm climate in which to grow. The cabana style dressing rooms are available, and Sunbathing can be enjoyed in the secluded courtyard that is attached to the Pool House.
- The Fitness Center** -Our state of the art fitness center boasts ladies and gentlemen restrooms with showers and private rooms for massage therapy.. The center will allow all guests to fulfill their workout needs. Massage therapists and personal trainers are available by appointment.
- Carriage Rides** -Elmer, our French Percheron, has the job of pulling our Vis a `Vis carriage. Carriage rides are available on Friday and Saturday nights from 5:30-10:00pm. Or, the carriage may be rented for special occasions. Reservations may be made at Guest Registration.
- Horseback Riding** -Enjoy the scent of pine and breezes while exploring the wooded areas around the county. Riding trails are located off property. Contact Guest Services for arrangements .
- Quail and Deer Hunting** -We can arrange for quail or deer hunting on a neighboring plantation in season. Everything from walking to mule drawn wagons is available. Released or native birds are available. Arrangements can be made with Guest Services.
- Golf** -There are several good courses in the area. Guest Services can make arrangements for you or your group to enjoy a day's outing on any of the challenging and beautiful courses available.
- Massage Therapy** -Treat yourself to a relaxing massage the fitness center's massage therapist rooms. Some guestrooms can accommodate massage. Contact Guest Services for arrangements.
- Walking Tours** -Our docents will lead you on a walking tour discovery of the owners and their contributions to the Plantation from 1825 to the present. Walking tours are scheduled at 10:00 am and 1:30 PM every day. Please allow a twenty-four hour notice for tours.
- Board Games and Lawn Games**-Your favorite games are available through guest services. Whether it's chess, checkers, backgammon, or solitaire, you may enjoy a relaxing time in pursuit of leisure in the Hanna Room, the Hogan Room, the Veranda or the Pool House. If you love the outdoors, croquet may be the game for you. Our expanse of green lawns is a perfect croquet course. Let the games begin.
- Library** -If your idea of a perfect afternoon is to curl up with a good book, amble into the Hanna Room and peruse our excellent selection of books on the local history and economy. Or enjoy the many travel journals that awaken your imagination to distant places.
- Fishing** -Deep sea and fresh water fishing are available for the novice or the professional. The Gulf of Mexico is only an hour and a half from Melhana. There are several lakes in the area that offer guided fishing trips, including Lake Seminole which is ranked the fifth best bass-fishing lake in the U.S. The Flint River is located in Bainbridge, which is a forty minute drive.
- Water Sports** -The area waters provide historical and river tours, wildlife refuges, tours, canoeing and scuba diving. For the sailboat enthusiast there are several day and sunset cruises offered in the Gulf of Mexico. Kayaking clinics are available on several of the area rivers.

## Additional Notes

Mr. Lee Perkins, Hanna descendant, owns Mays Pond and Orvis

Colors in dining room selected from amethyst crystals in sconces

All lumber was cut on the property, saw mill used to be across the street

Magnolia in Hanna Room had been pickled, brought back to natural color. Floors were painted black.

Upstairs was maid's quarters; was painted all white.

Originally no bathrooms upstairs.

Kitchen used to be two stories, which can be seen in pictures in Hanna Room.

Lewis's excited about the orchard next to Owl's Nest and the cold frames, which allow us to grow own herbs and vegetables.

Mrs. Hanna didn't like hunting so Mr. Hanna built her a theater. Projection room made out of concrete.

Joan Crawford once went swimming in pool

Breakfast can be served on terraces of new rooms in the Village.

Fitness Center has his and her showers, massage rooms, big screen TV.

1906 porte de cochere and bay window added.

Coils in marble porch to heat ice so you wouldn't slip.

Planted Camellias cause they bloom in the winter and that is when the Hanna's were here. Also find Roses and Magnolias in abundance.

Elizabeth Blackshear buried in straw next to Paul Coalson in grave next to Fish Pond.

Monkey Puzzle tree (Chilean Pine) next to fish pond, also between Owl's Nest and Guest Services.

White Roses on Veranda are the Cherokee rose, peach are the Melrose (the color of the house)