



**AGUA CALIENTE**  
 Casino • Resort • Spa  
 RANCHO MIRAGE

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**NEW HOTEL AT AGUA CALIENTE CASINO • RESORT • SPA SELECTED AS A  
 FINALIST IN INTERNATIONAL HOTEL DESIGN COMPETITION**

**RANCHO MIRAGE, CA (January 12, 2009) –** The newly opened hotel at Agua Caliente Casino • Resort • Spa in Rancho Mirage, California has been selected as a finalist in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual HotelWorld Global Hospitality & Design Award competition.

The hotel’s lobby is one of three contenders in the Luxury category of the “Best Lobby/Public Space Design” award. Designed by VOA associates, the contemporary lobby (pictured bottom, left) features a sweeping, art-deco feel, with rich accents in golds, browns and reds.

Design and hospitality submissions were judged by the editorial staff of Hotel & Motel Management, Hotel Design and Luxury Hotelier magazines. Finalists in a total of 16 categories will be judged by a team of independent design experts. Winners will be announced at the HotelWorld Global Hospitality & Design awards gala in Las Vegas, March 3<sup>rd</sup>.

In November, 2008, Agua Caliente Casino • Resort • Spa was also voted “Best Overall Casino Resort Construction Project over \$200 million” at the Global Gaming Expo in Las Vegas. The \$300 million dollar resort features a 16-story, 340-room luxury hotel, spa, pool, and conference center. In February, Agua Caliente will open “The Show” its new, \$76 million, 2,000-seat concert theatre.

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Agua Caliente Casino • Resort • Spa in Rancho Mirage, California has been repeatedly voted “Best Casino” in reader’s polls. It’s home to 1,600 slots, a variety of table games and a wildly popular poker room. The casino offers exciting lounge entertainment plus award-winning dining, adjacent to its gorgeous new \$350 million luxury resort hotel. Guests can stay in style in 340 deluxe rooms and suites, enjoy a relaxing spa, pool and cabana complex, as well as a state-of-the-art conference center. In February 2009, The Show, a 2,000-seat entertainment venue will complete this world-class destination. For hotel reservations call: 1.866.923.7244, visit [www.HotWaterCasino.com](http://www.HotWaterCasino.com) or for casino information: 1.888.999.1995.

Agua Caliente Casino • Resort • Spa is owned and operated by the Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians.