

McMenamins edgefield self-guided tour

The Georgian revival-style lodge was the dormitory for the down-ontheir-luck folks populating the Poor Farm and, later, for those recuperating in Edgefield Manor nursing home. The Main Lodge contains the majority of Edgefield's guestrooms, the Black Rabbit Restaurant and Bar, the Ballroom, and Lucky Staehly's Pool Hall. Wander the halls for a neverending gallery of artwork painted by fifteen local artists on the walls, ceilings, staircases, doors, pipes and other unexpected spots.

2. BLACK RABBIT RESTAURANT, BAR & COURTYARD

In the same spot where Poor Farm residents use to gather for meals, the Black Rabbit opened in June 1993 offering seaasonal Pacific Northwest cuisine. Our chef uses fruits and vegetables from Edgefield Gardens and other farms. Breakfast, lunch and dinner are served seven days a week, while the adjacent bar serves cocktails, premium spirits and an extensive wine list. The outdoor Courtyard is open seasonally and offers the Black

3. EDGEFIELD GIFT SHOP & ESPRESSO BAR

Located just inside the main entrance of the lodge, the gift shop features a dizzying array of specialty Edgefield items, McMenamins memorabilia and seasonal handmade gifts, along with freshly made espresso drinks brewed from our own house roasted beans. The shop also sells Edgefield wines and spirits and 22-oz. bottled McMenamins ales.

4. LUCKY STAEHLY'S POOL HALL

When Edgefield functioned as an old folks' home, one of its most colorful residents was Lucky Staehly. Though confined to a wheelchair, he became quite an accomplished pool player - thus, our pool hall is named for him. Check out five pool tables, a snooker table, dart boards, pinball machines, shuffle board, televisions and a juke box.

5. ADMINISTRATOR'S HOUSE

This stately, three-story house was home to administrators and their families from 1911 to 1982, during the time when Edgefield was the Multnomah County Poor Farm and Edgefield Manor nursing home. Today it boasts six guestrooms, including a spacious attic room, a breakfast nook, dining room and living room.

6. GORGE GLASHAUS

In what was once the administrator's garage, the artisans of Gorge Glashaus create blown-glass ornaments, vases, wine stoppers and more in their workshop, open daily February through December.

7. HERB GARDEN

Originally a flower garden for residents of Edgefield Manor, this herb garden was Edgefield's first cultivated plot. Along the paths, you'll find craft, medicinal and cooking herbs mingled with many Northwest plants, fruits and flowers to attract hummingbirds and butterflies.

8. BLACKBERRY HALL & MEADOW

The former mechanic's garage, turned police storage, turned recycling room has gracefully evolved into Blackberry Hall. Edgefield's largest meeting space holds up to 225 people and can be divided into the north and south halls for smaller groups. The adjacent meadow hosts weddings and special events as well.

DISTILLERY

The Poor Farm residents once stored potatoes here, before it was converted into a stable. In April 1998, Edgefield started handcrafting spirits in part of the shed and converted the other half into the Distillery Bar. Stop by to see our 12-foot-high still as our distillers produce Hogshead Whiskey, Edgefield Brandy, Vintners Gin and more.

10. DISTILLERY BAR & PUB COURSE CLUBHOUSE

This watering hole offers fresh-juice cocktails, cigars and an intriguing pipe sculpture suspended from the ceiling. The bar also presides as the Pub Course clubhouse — sign up for a tee time on one of our two par-3 golf courses that meander around the estate, providing panoramic views.

11. VEGETABLE GARDEN

A quarter-acre vegetable garden provides produce grown using organic methods for our Black Rabbit Restaurant. A cutting garden also blooms there, supplying the Main Lodge with fresh flowers. Compost made onsite is used in the vegetable garden.

12. POWER STATION PUB

This building provided coal-fueled steam heat and electricity to the property until electrical lines were installed. It also served as the Poor Farm's fire station. During the nursing home era, it became a laundry facility staffed by inmates of the nearby county jail. In 1991, McMenamins rejuvenated the building, damaged by fire in the 1980s, and opened its pub and second-floor guestrooms to the public. The third-floor attic attracts groups of up to 125 for meetings and events.

13. POWER STATION THEATER

This space was originally part of the plant that provided heat and hot water to the Main Lodge and surrounding buildings. Converted to a 125-seat movie theater in the early 1990s, it shows recent releases nightly. Pub fare, pizza and beverages are available — servers will bring your order to your seat!

14. WATER TOWER

In 1927, the Poor Farm was declared a firetrap because it lacked fire detection and deterrent systems. To remedy the situation, this water tower was erected to supply a gravity-powered sprinkler system throughout the Main Lodge. The tower is now empty, yet supports hop vines that stretch skyward during summer.

15. BREWERY

Originally built in 1937 as the cannery and meat-packing plant, this is McMenamins' largest brewery. Our brewers handcraft over 10,000 kegs per year, including favorites such as Terminator Stout, Ruby Ale, Sunflower IPA and Hammerhead. The Brewery is decorated with artwork by Joe Cotter that tells the history of beer.

16. LOADING DOCK GRILL

Umbrellas shade tables between the Brewery's loading dock and the Power Station Pub, providing an ideal gathering spot under the summer sun. The Loading Dock serves savory barbecue and pub fare. The grill is open seasonally, weather permitting. Take note of its unusual plumbing art and custom light fixtures.

17. BLACK RABBIT HOUSE

This wee shed was named for the original black rabbit, who was eventually laid to rest here in the flower garden. During Poor Farm days, this spot was used for the practical purpose of fumigating mattresses and bedding. Today, guests enjoy handcrafted ales, wine and spirits surrounded by one-of-akind pipe art. The Black Rabbit House is open seasonally.

18. JERRY'S ICE HOUSE

This quaint room was once used for cold storage before refrigeration. It is rumored that escaped inmates from Rocky Butte Jail would hide out here in the '30s and '40s. Today, the inspired jams of the Grateful Dead fill the air, and cigars are offered along with distilled spirits, handcrafted ales and wines, made just steps away.

19. HALFWAY HOUSE FEATURING EARTHART CLAYWORKS

During Poor Farm days, this diminutive house served as the interim morgue until the coroner arrived. When Edgefield rejuvenated the building, it was used as a meeting space. In 1996, artisan Am Griswold began infusing the space with spirit and life, not to mention a variety of clay creations. EarthArt Clayworks is open Thursday through Monday.

20. WINERY & TASTING ROOM

In 1934, an infirmary wing was constructed for the aging Poor Farm population. Its basement opened as the Commissary, selling supplies to residents. McMenamins turned it into a winery and tasting room (the first area open to the public in the fall of 1990). The candlelit interior features antique British pub tables and a view into the Tank Room where white wines ferment.

21. LITTLE RED SHED & GROVE

Once the Poor Farm's incinerator shed, guests can now enjoy fine spirits and cigars in this cozy den, warmed by a brick fireplace. Check out the English chimney pots, resembling chess rooks, while enjoying an ale at one of the outdoor tables.

22. JERRY GARCIA SCULPTURE Standing over seven feet tall, Joe Cotter's "Garcia Bronze" sculpture in honor of the late Grateful Dead guitarist looks like a craggy tree from a distance. Upon closer inspection, you'll discover faces and creatures in its twisted boughs. The statue was conceived when McMenamins asked Cotter to create an "organic" piece for Edgefield.

23. EDGEFIELD CONCERTS AMPHITHEATER

Every June through September, the outdoor amphitheater hosts crowds upwards of 5,000 guests for national touring musical acts. Past performers have included Stevie Wonder, B.B. King, Wilco, Sheryl Crow, Modest Mouse, Billy Idol and many others. Concertgoers gather on blankets and chairs while enjoying McMenamins ales, wines and spirits along with summer food specials.

24. VINEYARDS

One of the first sights visitors to Edgefield encounter as they come up the drive is the three-acre Pinot Gris vineyard. Used for the Winery's Poor Farm Pinot Gris, this vineyard was planted in 1991 and harvested for its first crush three years later. A second vineyard of Syrah grapes was planted in 1995 to the west of Blackberry Hall.

25. RUBY'S SPA & SOAKING POOL

Located in the former 1930s Janus House (originally used as doctors' quarters for the poor farm), Ruby's Spa is a full-service salon that offers massage, facials, manicures, pedicures, haircuts and more by licensed professionals. Don't miss the freeform saltwater soaking pool set in lush landscaping, reserved for hotel and spa guests.

26. TEA HOUSE BAR

This sweet little shack next to Ruby's Spa is open to all guests. Order a pot of freshly brewed loose-leaf tea, a tea-infused cocktail, wines, ales, sandwiches and more.