



hotel nikko san francisco

Green Initiatives

Hotel Nikko is proud to be a leader among eco-friendly hotels in San Francisco with a focus on sustainability, conservation, and community driving our efforts. From composting food scraps and reducing water flow to volunteering in the San Francisco community, our hotel strives to make a positive impact in everything we do.

Water

- * Hotel Nikko San Francisco has worked with the SFPUC on reducing water faucet flow rates from 2.2 gpm to 1.0; and upgraded its previous 3.5 gallon per flush to 1.5 gallon per flush water closet.
- * Hotel Nikko partners with Ecolab, utilizing the Aquanomic laundry program which relies on environmentally friendly low-temperature chemistry to maximize laundry efficiency. This program saves over 150,000 gallons of water per month.
- * "Green Cards" allow guests to inform the hotel of their daily laundry preferences for linens and towels
- * The in-house laundry program utilizes a re-use system whereby the always fresh second and third rinse cycles are saved, filtered and re-used for first cycles.

Recyclables & Compost

- * Hotel Nikko is proud to have earned the Silver TripAdvisor Green Leader 2016 Award
- * Excess food scraps and kitchen waste are sent offsite to be converted to high-quality compost
- * Paper, plastic, tin, cardboard and aluminum are recycled
- * Housekeeping donates all linens no longer used by the hotel to homeless shelters and other charities; torn linen is used for cleaning rags
- * All hotel guestroom keys are fully biodegradable
- * A recycling program is available in all guestrooms, and always active in our meeting space.

Energy

- * Guest room thermostats are equipped with sensors which turn the heating, ventilating and air conditioning systems off when the rooms are vacant
- * In 2015, Hotel Nikko installed two 65kW microturbines on the hotel's roof to generate our own electricity via capturing exhaust heat from the building, and through heat exchanger cogeneration, convert the exhaust into thermal energy. [Microturbine Cogeneration Power System](#)
- * Service areas have motion sensors that turn off lighting when the vicinity is not occupied
- * Ninety-two percent of the building's lighting is compact fluorescent or LED, saving electricity and cutting greenhouse gas emissions
- * Ventilation fans have Variable Frequency Drives installed
- * Hotel Nikko replaced its HVAC units with two 280-ton Daikon Magnitude chillers, operating on sustainable R-134a refrigerant, and the frictionless magnetic-bearing compressors are much more energy efficient.

Community

- * Hotel colleagues dedicate more than 250 hours annually assisting the local community.
- * Partnership with the SF SPCA. Proceeds from a special book, "49 Dogs and One Cat, The Insider's Guide to San Francisco" and from our Buster Plush are donated to SF SPCA.
- * We were awarded the Community Service Award by the California Hotel Lodging Association, and the Community Spirit Award by the Hotel Council of San Francisco.

