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# DOWNTOWN HISTORIC BED & BREAKFAST OF ALBUQUERQUE

Steve and Kara Grant, the owners and innkeepers of the Downtown Historic Bed & Breakfast of Albuquerque (DHBBA), first got started when looking for an investment property in 2003. They came across a house with great history that was badly in need of TLC. Kara fell in love with it and wanted to make it their home. They spent six months making the house livable and moved into it in December of 2004. This was the Spy House, which they made their home.

Two years later, they had the opportunity to buy the house next door, 207 High Street. They decided that it would make a perfect B & B, and after renovation and many inspections, they opened Heritage House B&B for business in January of 2007. In December of 2008, the family moved out of the Spy House and decided to make it part of the B & B as well, allowing them to join the yards and and create a beautiful outdoor area for their guests. They rehabbed the carriage house and cabinet house at the back of the property and recently added another house, right next door, to their offerings. DHBBA is steeped in Albuquerque history that will enhance your stay.

### THE ROOMS

Ten rooms in four buildings make up DHBBA. In the Spy House, each room is named after a piece of history, with Arts and Craftsera inspired decor accentuating all the original 1912 architectural details. Kara's handmade window dressings and bedding add a special touch to each room, where homemade chocolate truffles wait for you upon arrival.

## WHAT'S FOR BREAKFAST?

Breakfast is served in the Spy House dining room. Hatch green chile quiche, stuffed tomatoes, apple pecan baked pancakes, and blue corn pancakes are just a few of the amazing dishes Kara cooks up every morning. The eggs come from backyard chickens and much of the produce, when in season, comes from the Grants' home garden. Kara's recipes have been requested so often that she created a cookbook, available for purchase at the inn. She carefully attends to guests' dietary restrictions and makes sure that no one eats the same thing twice during a stay.

### **SPECIAL AMENITIES / OFFERINGS**

The history of the Spy House has inspired a monthly, interactive murder mystery dinner. You do not need to be an overnight guest to join the fun. Each guest portrays a character of their choosing for the evening, with speaking roles and ad lib opportunities during the dinner. The Artichoke Cafe caters the meal, ensuring great food and great fun. Check out all upcoming mystery dinner events on our main website.

## WHERE DO YOU SEND YOUR GUESTS?

The inn is walking distance to The Grove, Holy Cow, Artichoke Cafe, Farina, Standard Diner, and many other restaurants, breweries, and local galleries. You can also get to the Rail Runner train station on foot in ten minutes.

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