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**49130 Happy Valley Rd  
Diamond OR**

**\$565,000**



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**Front covered porch. Great place to relax after a day on the Steens**

## **The Hotel Diamond**

Marion Horton constructed the Hotel Diamond just before the end of the century to serve the traveling public, and at the same time erected his own home adjacent to the inn. Mr. & Mrs. Horton and the two children operated the hotel for a time, then sold the property to Sid Comegys. Mr. Comegys, being an enterprising man who recognized business opportunity, decided to add a saloon to the hotel in 1913. This addition provided additional interest to the hotel for many and business was good as the clientele enjoyed the general saloon ambiance and the opportunity to drink and gamble.

The hotel was again transferred to another owner when Anne Haines, whose husband had a store in the town of Narrows, traded land in that area for the property. She and her family moved to the Hotel Diamond in about 1916 and Sid Comegys relocated elsewhere. To the consternation of some local patrons, Mrs. Haines tore down the saloon, thus discontinuing its operation.

In 1919 the property again changed hands when Mrs. Haines sold out to Steve Seweward, his wife Grace and his two sons managed the establishment profitably and the inn became widely known for its good services and accommodation. Meals were prepared and served family style. One teacher is known to have lived at the hotel for the winter, but the more usual customer was the sheep herder, camp tender, bachelor, cowhand, occasional travelers and similar people.

As time went by, the Sewearths decided to end their marriage. Grace subsequently married Claude Smyth. Grace and Claude leased the hotel to Rye and Nora Smyth in 1935, who continued its operation for five more years. For unknown reasons the hotel was closed in about 1940 and remained empty until 1947 when Nora Smyth's mother, Ella Smyth, bought the property. Mrs. Smyth occupied the old hotel using it as her residence until she sold it to Russell Arnold and his wife. Russell and Leona Arnold moved into the Hotel Diamond building in the early 1950's. They constructed another structure where the saloon stood.

Don & Dorothy Brookshire purchased the building in 1973. They ran the store and post office. Dorothy Brookshire also did upholstery work.

Jerry & Judy Santillie bought the property from the Brookshires in 1986. They had been operating the Frenchglen Hotel, located 30 miles south of Diamond on Highway 205 since 1985.

Jerry & Judy completely restored the Hotel Diamond and the surrounding grounds, doing most of the work themselves. This included gutting the entire interior of the building and starting over and by building an entirely new kitchen. The restoration was completed in the spring of 1990. Jerry & Judy left Frenchglen and the newly restored Hotel Diamond opened on March 1, 1990. The handsome building and beautiful grounds are the work of their own hands.

In 2001 McCoy Creek Inn bought the Bed & Breakfast. Making many improvements including Frazier's, a small pub named after the owners great grandparents who managed the hotel over 100 years ago. It once served as the community ice-house.

This family run business is only open six months out of the year, leaving a lot of room for someone to extend.

The owners would be willing to stay on and help new owners get established or even lease the property. There are many options available for someone following a dream or passion!

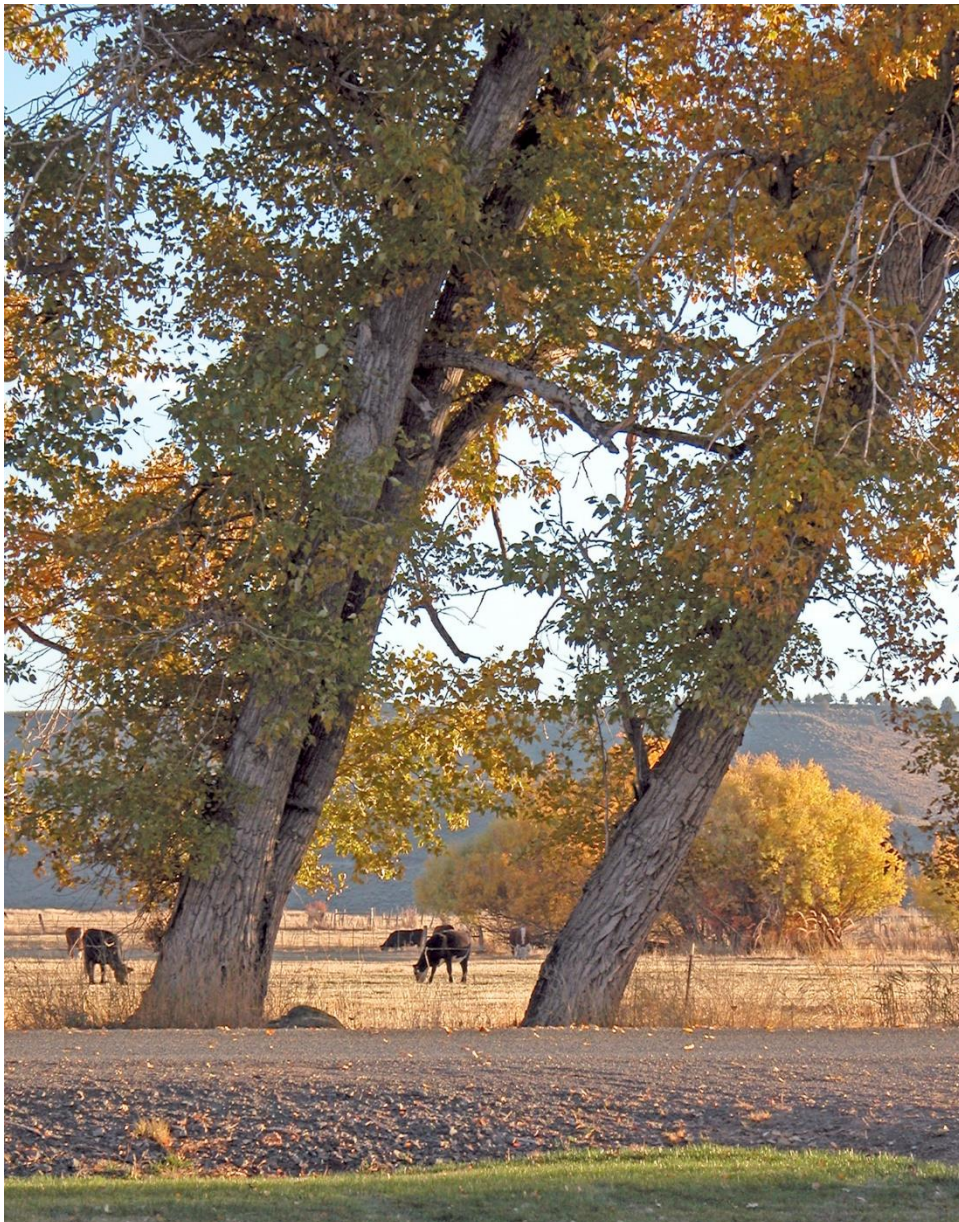


## History of Diamond Oregon

It is thought that Mrs. Dolly Kiger named the town in 1874 as well as the craters located northwest of the town after the diamond-shaped brand used by the McCoy Ranch.

The post office in the Diamond area has been moved many times since its first establishment in 1887. A.T. Clark established the first post office in his store on April 23, 1887, approximately three miles west of the present town of Diamond. For unknown reasons it was subsequently moved to Diamond where it was housed in a new structure constructed by Marion Horton and George Smyth in about 1897. One source indicated that the post office has had over seventeen postmasters and assistant postmasters.

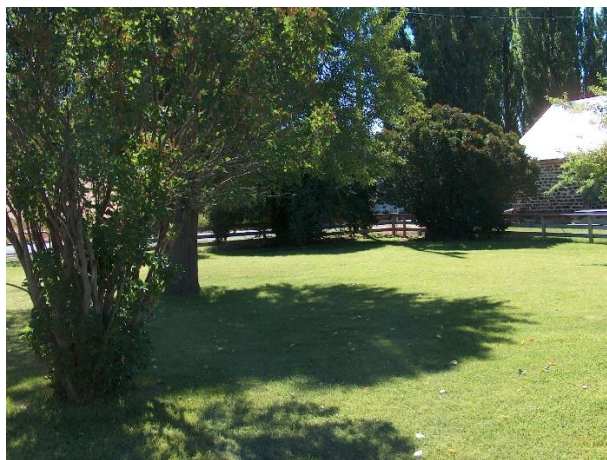
At the turn of the century Diamond was growing into a major merchandising outlet for ranchers, sheep men and travelers. It was a common sight to observe camp tenders making large purchases in Diamond to restock the solitary sheep herders who spend their lives with the sheep. Often the herders as well as camp tenders spent days and sometimes weeks at the Hotel Diamond during periodic rest periods. The two stores in Diamond were centers of much activity and of course the saloon, with its special charm for people accustomed to solitary living, attracted many clients. At its zenith Diamond had a population of about fifty people.





**ADDRESS:** 49130 Happy Valley Rd, Diamond Oregon  
**PRICE:** \$565,000.00 (Includes equipment) Inventory is separate  
**TAXES:** \$4525.79  
**FINANCING:** Cash or back financing  
**YEAR BUILT:** 1898, restored  
**SQ.FT.:** 4,400 hotel plus 450 log suite (Frazier's)  
**LOT SIZE:** .81 acre lot  
**HEAT SOURCE:** Baseboard electric & laser stove  
**BEDROOMS:** 9 rooms for guests plus master suite  
**BATHROOMS:** 1 full, 1 - ½ and 5 - ¾  
**DINING:** Large country style dining  
**APPLIANCES:** Gas commercial range, commercial dishwasher, walk-in cooler  
**GARAGE:** 4 car heated, auto openers  
**REMARKS:** Well established Country Inn and much more! The business is run for six months out of the year but could easily be ran year around. The last couple of years the owners have cut back on time open due to other obligations. The hotel has a large repeat clientele year after year. Small store/gift shop on premises and DEQ approved gasoline and diesel fuel. The fuel has not been used for the public but could be reapplied for from the state. The Frazier's suite with kitchenette was named after the owners grandparents that managed the hotel 100 years ago. Pear, apple & plum trees. The Hotel Diamond is in the center of some of the best recreational opportunities in Harney County. Starting with the Steens Mountains which is a massive fault block that has an elevation of almost 10,000 feet. The mountain is cut by textbook examples of glacial valleys which have views that are among the most magnificent to be found. Also, there is the Malheur National Wildlife Refuge which is part of the Pacific Flyway. This offers an exciting opportunity for bird watchers from all over the world to view an outstanding variety of waterfowl during their spring and fall migration through Harney County. There are two wells one feeds into the other. The Frazier's & the hotel all have new propane lines. Shows pride of ownership.  
\*\*\*Excludes some artwork and antique pieces

**OWNER:** McCoy Creek Inn



South Side



Back Yard

**Frazier's House**



**Horse Stalls in Back Yard**



**The hotel has 4,400 sq. ft. with 8 rooms for guests and a master suite for the owner, also has 1 - full bath, 1-½ bath and 6 - ¾ bath, plus 450 sq. ft. suite**





## Storage, Kitchen & Dining Area







**Store**



**Utility Room**



**Chicken Coop**



**Frazier Suite Bathroom**



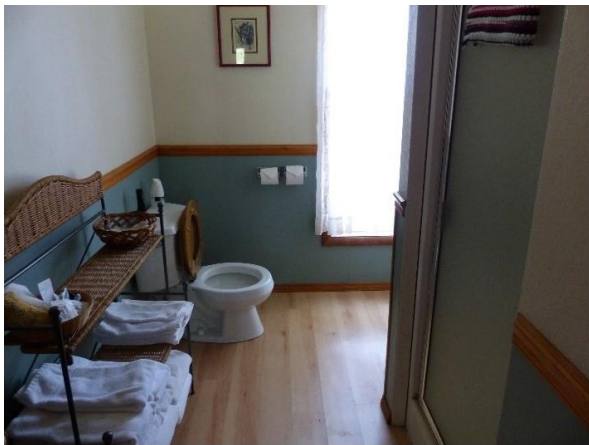
**Frazier Suite**



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Bedroom #5







**Bedroom #A**



**Bathroom #A**



**Bedroom #B**



**Bathroom #B**



**Private Patio for #A & #B**



## Hotel Diamond

Harney County, Oregon, 1.59 AC +/-



Boundary

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