

Well House

This small wooden structure at the top of Serpentine Drive, marked the entrance to the central garden area from the lower gate. It originally held a pair of drinking fountains fed by water pumped by windmill from one of several tankhouses on the Heights.

The ornate building featured carved wooden posts, iron grillwork doors on the north and south sides, decorative shingles, and a pointed finial on each end of the roof.

The well house has been partially restored and remains the only building commissioned by Adolph Sutro that still stands on the grounds of Sutro Heights.



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Top: The Well House at Sutro Heights, 1895; *Bottom:* The Well House as it looks today, 2012.