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THE RITZ-CARLTON, PORTLAND WELCOMES MICHELIN-STAR CHEF, PEDRO ALMEIDA AS EXECUTIVE CHEF



PORTLAND, OR (December 16, 2022) – [The Ritz-Carlton, Portland](#) is pleased to announce the appointment of Pedro Almeida as executive chef, overseeing all aspects of the hotel’s world-class food and beverage program. He brings 20 years of global culinary excellence to the role, where he will serve as the visionary behind the hotel’s New American, Pacific Northwest-inspired restaurant.

“I look forward to welcoming Chef Almeida to The Ritz-Carlton, Portland where he will oversee the culinary vision of our innovative food and beverage program,” said General Manager, Marie Browne. “With Chef’s love for food, passion for cooking, and culinary expertise, I am confident the hotel will be a destination for both hotel guests and local residents alike.”

Prior to joining The Ritz-Carlton, Portland, Chef Almeida spent over 10 years working at Penha Longa Resort, the acclaimed Ritz-Carlton property located in Sintra, Portugal. Most recently, Chef Almeida served as executive chef, overseeing the hotel’s culinary program, which included nine restaurants, three of which have been awarded Michelin stars, a team of over 100 culinary professionals, as well as banquet operations. He also served as head chef of Midori, which under his leadership and vision, became the only Japanese restaurant in Portugal to receive a Michelin star.

Chef Almeida’s gastronomic career began at the 3-Michelin star restaurant, Can Fabes in Sant Celoni, Spain. In his role at Can Fabes, he was responsible for the execution and preparation of the menu’s food items. Chef Almeida notes this experience as the technical foundation for the fine dining expertise he brings to his work today.

“Food has always been a passion of mine and having the opportunity to open a restaurant in Portland, Oregon, one of the most innovative food cities in the world, is a dream come true,” said Chef Almeida. “I

am honored and inspired to continue my career with The Ritz-Carlton and to be a part of this exciting opening. I look forward to welcoming guests and locals alike when the hotel opens this spring.”

The hotel’s restaurant will showcase the region’s diverse culinary traditions, drawing inspiration from Oregon’s bountiful Willamette Valley, the state’s farms, ranchers, rivers, and the Pacific Ocean. The menu will feature ingredients indigenous to the region as well as items from local purveyors and skilled artisans. The culinary journey will be accentuated with world-class wine selections featuring exceptional Oregon wineries and unique spirits crafted by the region’s master distillers.

To learn more about The Ritz-Carlton, Portland, visit ritzcarlton.com/portland.

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