

# News

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#### THE RITZ-CARLTON RESORTS OF NAPLES ANNOUNCES A SEASON OF WONDERS

Cherished holiday moments and new offerings highlight a festive season of dining, joyful entertainment, and opportunities to celebrate.

**NAPLES, FL** (October 4, 2023) – The iconic <u>Ritz-Carlton, Naples</u> and the acclaimed <u>Ritz-Carlton Naples, Tiburón</u> invite guests to experience *A Season of Wonders* in two of the most charming holiday settings in Southwest Florida. Each hotel offers guests a feast for the senses with beloved traditions, festive decor, timeless dining experiences, delightful family activities, and seasonal entertainment.

The Ritz-Carlton, Naples debuts the hotel's stunning transformation for the festive season, ushering in new holiday events to complement family traditions. Guest favorites, including Teddy Bear Tea, Breakfast with Santa, as well as a new Gingerbread House Tour highlight the resort's festive calendar. The enchantment continues at The Ritz-Carlton Naples, Tiburón with timeless décor creating an atmosphere of festive cheer and a new experience, the Tiburón Christmas Market, featuring artisan gifts, sweet treats, cocktails, and gently falling snowflakes adding a sense of wonder.

"Our guests have shared their excitement to return to Naples for the festive season. We are proud to continue beloved traditions at The Ritz-Carlton Resorts of Naples while introducing new experiences to create a Season of Wonders for our neighbors and loyal guests," said Area General Manager Mark Ferland.

"The holidays are a magical time for family and friends to reconnect," Jenny Piccione, General Manager of The Ritz-Carlton Naples, Tiburón added. "For our ladies and gentlemen, we take great pride in creating memorable experiences and seeing children delight from the resort's décor, cookies and sweets, and – of course – getting to meet Santa Claus at one of our signature events."

## A SEASON OF WONDERS

To aid guests in scheduling their holiday experiences, The Ritz-Carlton Resorts of Naples will debut a new website at <a href="https://www.naplesfestive.com">www.naplesfestive.com</a>, featuring information and online ticketing for festive events planned at both resorts. The new ticketing tool also allows guests to share their dietary preferences and confirm event add-ons.

## **THANKSGIVING**

Warm days and relaxed nights draw families to Florida's Gulf Coast for seasonal celebrations, including the Grand Buffet for Thanksgiving on Thursday, November 23, 2023, at both Ritz-Carlton Resorts of Naples hotels. The elegant, traditional buffets include carving stations, classic sides, a tempting selection of sweets, and all the trimmings. Enjoy a welcome toast, live music, and a complimentary family photo. Seatings are available at both The Ritz-Carlton, Naples, and The Ritz-Carlton Naples, Tiburón, with reservations available for local residents and resort guests exclusively at www.naplesfestive.com.



# HANUKKAH

Nightly Menorah lighting and traditional readings will be observed for Hannukah from December 7 - 15, 2023 at both The Ritz-Carlton, Naples, and The Ritz-Carlton Naples, Tiburón.

## **TEDDY BEAR TEA**

Experience the magic of Teddy Bear Tea at The Ritz-Carlton, Naples, with a charming presentation of tea sandwiches, specialty teas, delightful pastries, and jolly festivities presented amid holiday décor. Children of all ages will delight in a visit from Santa Claus, a plush bear gift, and a keepsake photo from this special day. Offered on select dates from December 9 – 21; reservations are available for local residents and resort guests exclusively at www.naplesfestive.com.

## UGLY HOLIDAY SWEATER COCKTAIL PARTY

Celebrate the season at a festive party with a modern twist. Don your 'best' ugly sweater and join the party in the Bella Vista Lounge at The Ritz-Carlton Naples, Tiburón. The evening features seasonal cocktails, music, dancing, and an award for the 'Best Ugly Holiday Sweater' in Naples. Join the party on Friday, December 15; reservations are available for local residents and resort guests exclusively at <a href="https://www.naplesfestive.com">www.naplesfestive.com</a>. Can't attend? Share your sweater online at #NaplesFestive.

#### **GINGERBREAD HOUSE TOURS**

A beloved holiday tradition for resort guests and local families returns in December 2023: the Gingerbread House at The Ritz-Carlton, Naples. New this year, the resort's Pastry Chefs will construct the iconic bakery creation in a signature space alongside The Ritz-Carlton Ballroom's festive décor. Guests can view the Gingerbread House on nightly tours, which also include a selection of cocoas and sweet treats, as well as a photography station for keepsake photos. Complimentary tours are offered for resort guests. Admission for local residents includes valet parking and can be purchased exclusively at <a href="https://www.naplesfestive.com">www.naplesfestive.com</a>, with a portion of the proceeds benefiting the Conservancy of Southwest Florida.

#### FESTIVE HIGH TEA

Steeped in tradition, the annual Festive High Tea is a sophisticated afternoon treat for family and friends. Celebrated in the new Lobby Bar at The Ritz-Carlton, Naples, this signature holiday experience features delightful treats, both savory and sweet. Available on select dates from December 2-17; reservations are available for local residents and resort guests exclusively at <a href="https://www.naplesfestive.com">www.naplesfestive.com</a>.

## TIBURÓN CHRISTMAS MARKET

Celebrate a new tradition with a hint of winter for the holidays at The Ritz-Carlton Naples, Tiburón. Reminiscent of a European holiday market, resort guests and local residents are invited to stroll a unique, festive shopping destination featuring the works of local artisans, seasonal entertainment, and sweet snacks, as well as classic cider and chocolate beverages. Each night includes a magical forecast of snow flurries, transporting guests to a winter wonderland! Available for all ages from December 17-23; tickets are available exclusively at <a href="https://www.naplesfestive.com">www.naplesfestive.com</a>.



## **BREAKFAST WITH SANTA**

Join Santa and a merry band of elves for a buffet breakfast presented in a magical space adorned with holiday décor and candy creations. Delectable breakfast favorites, family friendly activities, and a keepsake photo with Santa make for lifelong holiday memories on select dates from December 9-23 at both The Ritz-Carlton, Naples, and The Ritz-Carlton Naples, Tiburón. Reservations are available for local residents and resort guests exclusively at <a href="https://www.naplesfestive.com">www.naplesfestive.com</a>.

#### A TASTE OF HOLIDAY TRADITIONS

The Ritz-Carlton Chefs are proud to welcome guests to a Christmas holiday celebration on December 25<sup>th</sup> in our award-winning restaurants, including The Grill at The Ritz-Carlton, Naples. At The Ritz-Carlton Naples, Tiburón, Executive Chef Aldo Novoa Rodriguez presents a signature Christmas Grand Buffet featuring carving stations, exquisite desserts, delightful festive décor, and a keepsake photo for the family alongside Santa Claus. Reservations are available for local residents and resort guests exclusively at <a href="https://www.naplesfestive.com">www.naplesfestive.com</a>.

## **NEW YEAR'S EVE**

Celebrate in style with signature soirées at both Ritz-Carlton Resorts of Naples hotels. Extravagant menus, curated cocktails, live performances, and signature fireworks mark the New Year for resort guests and local residents.

At The Ritz-Carlton, Naples, Chef Juan Carlos Zermeno welcomes guests to an extravagant dinner service in The Grill. For cocktail aficionados, exclusive table service will be available for the evening in Dusk and the resort's new Lobby Bar. In Artisan's, guests will mark New Year's every hour, celebrating the holiday in each time zone.

Festivities at The Ritz-Carlton Naples, Tiburón include a signature New Year's Celebration in the Tiburón ballroom with a lavish buffet, live music, dancing, and celebratory fireworks. Reservations are available for local residents and resort guests exclusively at <a href="https://www.naplesfestive.com">www.naplesfestive.com</a>.

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## **About The Ritz-Carlton, Naples**

Located on the pristine white sands of Southwest Florida's Gulf Coast, the Forbes Five Star, AAA Five Diamond, Ritz-Carlton, Naples appeals to today's sophisticated traveler with an array of pampering amenities. In July 2023, the luxury resort unveiled a transformative renovation, including 474 exquisitely appointed guest rooms and suites – all with stunning views of the Gulf of Mexico, the new Vanderbilt Tower – the resort's Club Level tower featuring upgraded appointments, a newly designed arrival experience featuring an ornate Lobby Bar, a variety of innovative dining experiences including the vegetable-forward Eastern Mediterranean, Sofra, a luxurious, 51,000 square-foot Ritz-Carlton Spa®, and revamped adult and family pools, all complimenting its expansive event and meeting space. Consistently, readers of Travel + Leisure and Condé Nast Traveler magazines rank The Ritz-Carlton, Naples among the best in Florida, the U.S., and the world.

## About The Ritz-Carlton Naples, Tiburón

The Forbes Four Star, AAA Four Diamond Ritz-Carlton Naples, Tiburón, is renowned for its exceptional personalized service, inventive cuisine, and luxurious accommodations, with panoramic views of the adjacent Greg Normandesigned Tiburón Golf Club. The 295-room Mediterranean-style resort, ranked as one of the top hotels in the U.S. by Travel + Leisure and U.S. News & World Report, will unveil newly renovated guest rooms and suites in 2024. Providing an unmatched culinary program, which takes guests on a gastronomic journey around the world, the resort features four unique dining destinations, including the Latin American-inspired Ria, alongside a new American brasserie concept set to debut in late 2023. For families, the immersive water experience, The Reservoir, boasts a 600ft lazy river, dedicated family pools, and luxury cabanas. The luxury resort is home to a pair of 36-hole signature Greg Norman golf courses at Tiburón. In addition, The Ritz-Carlton Golf Resort, Naples, also boasts two stunning PGA-level golf courses that host two major professional golf tournaments annually.



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