

Mobil Travel Guide Announces the 2007 Mobil Four- and Five-Star Hotel and Restaurant Awards

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Only 53 hotels and restaurants in the United States and Canada reach Mobil Five-Star level; Las Vegas honored with first Mobil Five-Star hotel

2007 MOBIL TRAVEL GUIDE

MOBIL FOUR- AND FIVE-STAR LODGING AND RESTAURANT AWARD WINNERS

Total Mobil Five-Star Awards: 37 Lodgings; 16 Restaurants

Total Mobil Four-Star Awards: 117 Lodgings; 145 Restaurants

ARIZONA

Mobil Four-Star Lodgings

The Boulders Resort and Golden Door Spa, Carefree
Four Seasons Resort Scottsdale at Troon North, Scottsdale
The Phoenician, Scottsdale

The Ritz-Carlton, Phoenix, Phoenix

Mobil Four-Star Restaurants

Acacia, Scottsdale
Mary Elaine's, Scottsdale
Ventana Room, Tucson
Vu, Scottsdale

CALIFORNIA

Mobil Five-Star Lodgings

The Beverly Hills Hotel, Beverly Hills
Chateau du Sureau, Oakhurst
Four Seasons Hotel San Francisco, San Francisco
Hotel Bel-Air, Los Angeles
The Peninsula Beverly Hills, Beverly Hills
Raffles L'Ermitage Beverly Hills, Beverly Hills
The Ritz-Carlton, San Francisco, San Francisco

St. Regis Hotel, San Francisco, San Francisco <http://mobiltravelguide.howstuffworks.com/st-regis-hotel-san-francisco-ca.htm>

St. Regis Resort, Monarch Beach, Dana Point <http://mobiltravelguide.howstuffworks.com/st-regis-monarch-beach-resort-spa-dana-point-ca-hotel.htm>

Mobil Four-Star Lodgings

Bacara Resort and Spa, Santa Barbara
Bernardus Lodge, Carmel Valley
Calistoga Ranch, Calistoga
Casa Palmero at Pebble Beach, Pebble Beach
Four Seasons Hotel Los Angeles at Beverly Hills, Los Angeles
Four Seasons Hotel Silicon Valley at East Palo Alto, East Palo Alto
Four Seasons Resort Aviara, North San Diego, Carlsbad
Four Seasons Resort The Biltmore Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara
The Inn at Spanish Bay, Pebble Beach
The Inn on Mount Ada, Avalon
The Island Hotel, Newport Beach
The Lodge at CordeValle, San Martin
The Lodge at Pebble Beach, Pebble Beach
The Lodge at Torrey Pines, La Jolla
Mandarin Oriental, San Francisco, San Francisco
Meadowood Napa Valley, St. Helena
Montage Resort and Spa, Laguna Beach
Post Ranch Inn, Big Sur
Rancho Valencia Resort, Rancho Santa Fe
The Regent Beverly Wilshire, Beverly Hills
The Ritz-Carlton, Half Moon Bay, Half Moon Bay
The Ritz-Carlton, Huntington Hotel and Spa, Pasadena
The Ritz-Carlton, Laguna Niguel, Laguna Niguel

Mobil Five-Star Restaurants

The Dining Room, San Francisco
The French Laundry, Yountville

Mobil Four-Star Restaurants

Aqua, San Francisco
Auberge du Soleil, St. Helena
The Belvedere, Beverly Hills
Campton Place Dining Room, San Francisco
Cyrus, Healdsburg
Erna's Elderberry House, Oakhurst
Fleur De Lys, San Francisco
Gary Danko, San Francisco
La Folie, San Francisco
Laurel, San Diego
L'Orangerie, Los Angeles
Manresa, Los Gatos
Masa's, San Francisco
Melisse, Santa Monica
Ortolan, Los Angeles
Patina, Los Angeles
The Restaurant at Hotel Bel-Air, Los Angeles
Sierra Mar Restaurant, Big Sur
Sona, Los Angeles
Stonehill Tavern, Dana Point
Terra, St. Helena
The Village Pub, Woodside

COLORADO

Mobil Five-Star Lodgings

The Broadmoor, Colorado Springs
The Little Nell, Aspen

Mobil Four-Star Lodgings

The Brown Palace Hotel, Denver
The Ritz-Carlton, Bachelor Gulch, Avon
St. Regis Resort Aspen, Aspen

Mobil Four-Star Restaurants

Flagstaff House Restaurant, Boulder
Mirabelle at Beaver Creek, Vail
Montagna, Aspen
Penrose Room, Colorado Springs
Restaurant Kevin Taylor, Denver

CONNECTICUT

Mobil Five-Star Lodging

The Mayflower Inn, Washington

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Mobil Five-Star Lodging

Four Seasons Hotel, Washington, D.C., Washington, D.C.

Mobil Four-Star Lodgings

The Hay-Adams, Washington, D.C.
Mandarin Oriental, Washington, D.C., Washington, D.C.
The Ritz-Carlton, Georgetown, Washington, D.C.
The Ritz-Carlton, Washington, D.C., Washington, D.C.

Mobil Four-Star Restaurants

CityZen, Washington, D.C.
Michel Richard Citronelle, Washington, D.C.
Palena, Washington, D.C.

FLORIDA

Mobil Five-Star Lodgings

Four Seasons Resort Palm Beach, Palm Beach
The Ritz-Carlton, Naples, Naples
The Ritz-Carlton, Palm Beach, Manalapan

Mobil Four-Star Lodgings

The Breakers Palm Beach, Palm Beach
Four Seasons Hotel Miami, Miami
Loews Miami Beach Hotel, Miami Beach
Mandarin Oriental, Miami, Miami
The Peabody Orlando, Orlando
The Ritz-Carlton, Amelia Island, Amelia Island
The Ritz-Carlton, Coconut Grove, Coconut Grove
The Ritz-Carlton Golf Resort, Naples, Naples
The Ritz-Carlton, Key Biscayne, Key Biscayne
The Ritz-Carlton Orlando, Grande Lakes, Orlando
The Ritz-Carlton, Sarasota, Sarasota
The Ritz-Carlton, South Beach, Miami Beach
The Setai, Miami Beach
Trump International Sonesta Beach Resort, Sunny Isles

Mobil Four-Star Restaurants

Azul, Miami
Blue Door, Miami Beach
Café Boulud, Palm Beach
The Dining Room, Naples
La Palme d'Or, Coral Gables
L'Escalier, Palm Beach
Matthew's, Jacksonville
Norman's, Coral Gables
Norman's, Orlando
The Restaurant, Palm Beach
Salt: The Grill at The Ritz-Carlton, Amelia Island
Vernona Restaurant, Sarasota
Victoria and Albert's, Lake Buena Vista
Wish, Miami Beach

GEORGIA

Mobil Five-Star Lodgings

Four Seasons Hotel Atlanta, Atlanta
The Lodge at Sea Island Golf Club, St. Simons Island

Mobil Four-Star Lodgings

The Ritz-Carlton, Buckhead, Atlanta
The Ritz-Carlton Lodge, Reynolds Plantation, Greensboro

Mobil Five-Star Restaurants

The Dining Room, Atlanta
Seeger's, Atlanta

Mobil Four-Star Restaurants

Bacchanalia, Atlanta
Park 75 at the Four Seasons, Atlanta

HAWAII

Mobil Five-Star Lodging

Four Seasons Resort Maui at Wailea, Wailea, Maui

Mobil Four-Star Lodgings

Four Seasons Resort Hualalai at Historic Ka'upulehu, Kona, Hawaii
Halekulani, Honolulu, Oahu
The Kahala Hotel and Resort, Honolulu, Oahu
The Ritz-Carlton Kapalua, Kapalua, Maui

Mobil Four-Star Restaurants

Chef Mavro, Honolulu, Oahu
Gerard's, Lahaina, Maui
La Mer, Honolulu, Oahu
Spago, Wailea, Maui

ILLINOIS

Mobil Five-Star Lodgings

Four Seasons Hotel Chicago, Chicago
The Peninsula Chicago, Chicago
The Ritz-Carlton Chicago, A Four Seasons Hotel, Chicago

Mobil Four-Star Lodging

Park Hyatt Chicago, Chicago
Mobil Five-Star Restaurants

Alinea, Chicago <http://mobiltravelguide.howstuffworks.com/alinea-chicago-restaurant.htm>

Mobil Four-Star Restaurants

Ambria, Chicago
Avenues, Chicago
Crofton on Wells, Chicago
The Dining Room, Chicago
Everest, Chicago
Les Nomades, Chicago
Seasons, Chicago
Spring, Chicago
Tru, Chicago

LOUISIANA

Mobil Four-Star Lodging

Windsor Court Hotel, New Orleans

Mobil Four-Star Restaurants

Bayona, New Orleans
Emeril's Restaurant, New Orleans
The New Orleans Grill, New Orleans
La Provence, Lacombe

MAINE

Mobil Four-Star Lodging

The White Barn Inn, Kennebunkport

Mobil Five-Star Restaurant

The White Barn Inn Restaurant, Kennebunkport

MASSACHUSETTS

Mobil Five-Star Lodgings

Blantyre, Lenox
Four Seasons Hotel Boston, Boston

Mobil Four-Star Lodgings

Boston Harbor Hotel, Boston
Charlotte Inn, Martha's Vineyard
The Ritz-Carlton, Boston, Boston
The Ritz-Carlton, Boston Common, Boston
The Wauwinet, Nantucket

Mobil Four-Star Restaurants

XV Beacon, Boston
Aujourd'hui, Boston
Clio, Boston
Hamersley's Bistro, Boston
L'Espalier, Boston
Meritage, Boston
No. 9 Park, Boston
Twenty-Eight Atlantic, Chatham

MICHIGAN

Mobil Four-Star Lodging

The Townsend Hotel, Birmingham

Mobil Four-Star Restaurants

The Lark, West Bloomfield
Tapawingo, Charlevoix

MISSOURI

Mobil Four-Star Lodging

The Ritz-Carlton, St. Louis, Clayton

Mobil Four-Star Restaurants

The American Restaurant, Kansas City
Tony's, St. Louis
NEVADA
Mobil Five-Star Lodging
The Tower Suites at Wynn Las Vegas, Las Vegas <http://mobiltravelguide.howstuffworks.com/tower-suites-at-wynn-las-vegas-hotel.htm>
Mobil Four-Star Lodgings
Bellagio Las Vegas, Las Vegas
Four Seasons Hotel Las Vegas, Las Vegas
The Ritz-Carlton, Lake Las Vegas, Henderson
Venetian Resort Hotel Casino, Las Vegas
Wynn Las Vegas, Las Vegas
Mobil Five-Star Restaurants
Alex, Las Vegas <http://mobiltravelguide.howstuffworks.com/alex-las-vegas-restaurant.htm>
Joel Robuchon at The Mansion, Las Vegas <http://mobiltravelguide.howstuffworks.com/joel-robuchon-at-mansion-las-vegas-restaurant.htm>
Mobil Four-Star Restaurants
Aureole, Las Vegas
Bradley Ogden, Las Vegas
Michael Mina, Las Vegas
Mix - Las Vegas, Las Vegas
Picasso, Las Vegas
NEW MEXICO
Mobil Four-Star Lodging
Inn of the Anasazi, Santa Fe
Mobil Four-Star Restaurant
Geronimo, Santa Fe
NEW YORK
Mobil Five-Star Lodgings
Four Seasons Hotel New York, New York
Mandarin Oriental, New York, New York <http://mobiltravelguide.howstuffworks.com/mandarin-oriental-new-york-ny-hotel.htm>
The Point, Saranac Lake
The Ritz-Carlton New York, Central Park, New York
The St. Regis Hotel, New York, New York
Mobil Four-Star Lodgings
The Carlyle, New York
The Lowell, New York
The Mercer, New York
The New York Palace, New York
The Peninsula New York, New York
The Pierre New York, New York
The Ritz-Carlton New York, Battery Park, New York
Trump International Hotel and Tower, New York
Mobil Five-Star Restaurants
Alain Ducasse, New York
Jean Georges, New York
Masa, New York
per se, New York
Mobil Four-Star Restaurants
Asiate, New York
Atelier, New York
Aureole, New York
Blue Hill at Stone Barns, Pocantico Hills
Bouley, New York
Daniel, New York
Danube, New York
The Four Seasons Restaurant, New York
Gilt, New York
Gotham Bar and Grill, New York
Gramercy Tavern, New York
Kai, New York
La Grenouille, New York
Le Bernardin, New York
March, New York
Picholine, New York
Sugiyama, New York
NORTH CAROLINA
Mobil Five-Star Lodging
The Fearington House Country Inn, Pittsboro
Mobil Four-Star Lodgings
The Carolina Hotel, Pinehurst
Inn on Biltmore Estate, Asheville
Richmond Hill Inn, Asheville
Mobil Four-Star Restaurants
Carolina Crossroads, Chapel Hill
The Fearington House Restaurant, Pittsboro
OHIO
Mobil Four-Star Lodgings
The Ritz-Carlton, Cleveland, Cleveland
The Cincinnati Hotel, Cincinnati
Mobil Four-Star Restaurant
Jean-Robert at Pigall's, Cincinnati
PENNSYLVANIA
Mobil Four-Star Lodgings
Four Seasons Hotel Philadelphia, Philadelphia
The Hotel Hershey, Hershey
Nemacolin Woodlands Resort, Farmington
Mobil Five-Star Restaurant
Le Bec-Fin, Philadelphia
Mobil Four-Star Restaurants
Lacroix at the Rittenhouse, Philadelphia
Striped Bass, Philadelphia
RHODE ISLAND
Mobil Four-Star Restaurant
Mill's Tavern, Providence
SOUTH CAROLINA
Mobil Five-Star Lodging
Woodlands Resort and Inn, Summerville
Mobil Four-Star Lodgings
Charleston Place, Charleston
The Inn at Palmetto Bluff, Bluffton
The Sanctuary at Kiawah Island, Kiawah Island
Mobil Five-Star Restaurant
The Dining Room at Woodlands, Summerville
Mobil Four-Star Restaurants
Charleston Grill, Charleston
Peninsula Grill, Charleston
Ocean Room at The Sanctuary, Kiawah Island
TENNESSEE
Mobil Five-Star Lodging
The Hermitage Hotel, Nashville <http://mobiltravelguide.howstuffworks.com/preferred-hotels-resorts-worldwide-nashville-hermitage-hotel-tn.htm>
Mobil Four-Star Lodging
Blackberry Farm, Maryville
Mobil Four-Star Restaurants
Chez Philippe, Memphis
The Capitol Grille, Nashville
TEXAS
Mobil Five-Star Lodging
The Mansion on Turtle Creek, Dallas
Mobil Four-Star Lodgings
Four Seasons Hotel Austin, Austin
Four Seasons Hotel Houston, Houston
Four Seasons Resort and Club Dallas at Las Colinas, Irving
St. Regis Hotel, Houston, Houston
Watermark Hotel and Spa, San Antonio

Mobil Four-Star Restaurants
 Abacus, Dallas
 Café at the Four Seasons, Austin
 The French Room, Dallas
 Le Reve, San Antonio
 Nana, Dallas
 Quattro, Houston
 Restaurant at the Mansion on Turtle Creek, Dallas
 Stephan Pyles, Dallas

UTAH
 Mobil Four-Star Lodgings
 The Grand America Hotel, Salt Lake City
 Stein Eriksen Lodge, Park City
 Mobil Four-Star Restaurant
 Riverhorse on Main, Park City

VERMONT
 Mobil Five-Star Lodging
 Twin Farms, Barnard

VIRGINIA
 Mobil Five-Star Lodgings
 The Inn at Little Washington, Washington
 The Jefferson Hotel, Richmond
 Mobil Four-Star Lodgings
 The Ritz-Carlton, Pentagon City, Arlington
 The Ritz-Carlton, Tyson's Corner, McLean
 Williamsburg Inn, Williamsburg
 Mobil Five-Star Restaurant
 The Inn at Little Washington, Washington
 Mobil Four-Star Restaurant
 Maestro, McLean

WASHINGTON
 Mobil Four-Star Lodging
 The Fairmont Olympic Hotel, Seattle
 Mobil Four-Star Restaurants
 The Georgian, Seattle
 The Herbfarm, Woodinville
 Lampreia, Seattle
 Rover's, Seattle

WEST VIRGINIA
 Mobil Four-Star Lodging
 The Greenbrier, White Sulphur Springs
 Mobil Four-Star Restaurant
 The Tavern Room, White Sulphur Springs

WISCONSIN
 Mobil Four-Star Lodgings
 The American Club, Kohler
 Canoe Bay, Rice Lake

WYOMING
 Mobil Four-Star Lodgings
 Amangani, Jackson Hole
 Four Seasons Resort Jackson Hole, Jackson Hole

CANADA
 ALBERTA
 Mobil Four-Star Restaurants
 Banffshire Club, Banff
 Post Hotel Dining Room, Lake Louise

BRITISH COLUMBIA
 Mobil Four-Star Lodgings
 The Aerie Resort, Malahat
 Four Seasons Hotel Vancouver, Vancouver
 Four Seasons Resort Whistler, Whistler
 Hastings House, Salt Spring Island
 The Sutton Place Hotel, Vancouver, Vancouver
 Wickaninnish Inn, Tofino
 Mobil Four-Star Restaurants
 The Aerie Dining Room, Malahat
 Bishop's, Vancouver
 La Belle Auberge, Ladner
 Lumiere, Vancouver
 Restaurant Matisse, Victoria
 West, Vancouver

NEW BRUNSWICK
 Mobil Four-Star Lodging
 Kingsbrae Arms, St. Andrews

ONTARIO
 Mobil Four-Star Lodgings
 Four Seasons Hotel Toronto, Toronto
 Park Hyatt Toronto, Toronto
 Mobil Four-Star Restaurants
 Canoe, Toronto
 Chiado, Toronto
 The Fifth, Toronto
 North 44 Degrees, Toronto
 Scaramouche, Toronto
 Splendido, Toronto
 Truffles, Toronto

QUEBEC
 Mobil Four-Star Lodging
 Hotel Le St. James, Montreal
 Mobil Four-Star Restaurants
 L'Eau a la Bouche, Ste. Adele
 Laurie Raphael, Quebec City
 Toque!, Montreal

Mobil Travel Guide, originator of the Mobil Five-Star ratings program and certifications, today unveiled its list of Mobil Four- and Five-Star hotels and restaurants for 2007. For the first time in Mobil Travel Guide's 49 years of evaluating hotels and restaurants, a Las Vegas hotel, The Tower Suites at Wynn Las Vegas, earned a Mobil Five-Star rating. Four other hotels and three restaurants also are new additions to the Mobil Five-Star category. The complete list of Mobil Star award winners and updated, comprehensive reviews written by Mobil Travel Guide's experts are available exclusively at www.mobiltravelguide.com.

"Mobil Travel Guide's rating process minimizes subjectivity, enabling us to provide expert, objective guidance that travelers can trust," said Shane O'Flaherty, Vice President of Quality Assurance for Mobil Travel Guide. "Because our process is the most stringent on the market today, the results - the 53 Mobil Star-rated properties we recognize today - are rightfully in a class of their own."

In addition to The Tower Suites at Wynn Las Vegas, new members of the Mobil Five-Star hotel list are St. Regis Resort, Monarch Beach (Dana Point, California); Mandarin Oriental, New York; St. Regis Hotel, San Francisco; The Hermitage Hotel in Nashville, the first Mobil Five-Star hotel in Tennessee.

Newcomers to the Mobil Five-Star restaurant category are Alinea (Chicago), Alex (Las Vegas), and Joel Robuchon at The Mansion (Las Vegas).

Six hotels and thirteen restaurants are making first-time appearances on the Mobil Four-Star list, which honors properties with outstanding service in all areas of the dining and lodging experience.

Mobil Travel Guide's proprietary ratings process is based on more than 750 standardized criteria for hotels and more than 250 for restaurants, making it the most rigorous and comprehensive in the industry. The process begins with a facility inspection that considers every aspect of the property, including its overall cleanliness, condition and location. To achieve Mobil Four- and Five-Star status, properties must then meet or exceed Mobil's bar-setting service standards, which are determined through an unannounced, undercover service evaluation conducted by Mobil Travel Guide's expert inspectors. The service evaluation focuses on the myriad of details that combine to create the "overall guest experience," such as whether the inspector was greeted by a valet within sixty seconds upon arriving at a hotel or offered a beverage within sixty seconds after being seated at a restaurant.

In conjunction with today's announcement, Mobil Travel Guide's website (www.mobiltravelguide.com) has been re-launched to simplify and enhance online travel research and planning for consumers. HowStuffWorks, Mobil Travel Guide's exclusive online publisher, introduced new features and a streamlined interface on the site, giving users easy access to expert inspector reviews and consumers' opinions of thousands of hotels, restaurants, and spas, as well as comprehensive destination guides for popular cities in the United States and Canada.

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