



FOUR AND FIVE DIAMOND RESTAURANTS 2019 FACT SHEET

Courtesy of Angel Tucker for Ocean House

Continuing a tradition of more than 80 years, AAA's professionally trained inspectors use published guidelines to conduct unannounced restaurant evaluations. Establishments that meet the requirements to be AAA Inspected & Approved are assigned a rating of One to Five Diamonds.



FIVE DIAMOND RESTAURANT FACTS

- For 2019, **three restaurants** were added to the Five Diamond Award list:
 - Atera in New York, New York
 - COAST in Watch Hill, Rhode Island
 - Oriole in Chicago, Illinois
- Atera and Oriole both debut as AAA Five Diamond restaurants, while COAST—Rhode Island's first Five Diamond restaurant—was upgraded from Four Diamonds.
- A total of **67 restaurants** throughout the United States, Canada, Mexico and the Caribbean received the AAA Five Diamond Rating in the past 12 months, qualifying them for the 2019 Five Diamond Award list.
- Five Diamond restaurants represent just **0.2 percent** of the nearly **32,000** AAA Inspected & Approved restaurants.
- States with the greatest number of Five Diamond restaurants: New York (12); California (10); Quintana Roo, Mexico (7) and Nevada (5). Florida, Illinois, Massachusetts and Pennsylvania each have three Five Diamond restaurants.
- Cities with the greatest number of Five Diamond restaurants: New York City (11), Las Vegas (5), Cancun (4). Chicago and San Francisco each have three Five Diamond restaurants, while Honolulu and Playa del Carmen each have two.
- The restaurant with the longest Five Diamond tenure is The Inn at Little Washington Dining Room in Washington, Virginia, which has maintained the rating for **31 consecutive years**, since 1988.
- Eight additional restaurants have maintained the Five Diamond Rating for **20 or more years**.



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FOUR DIAMOND RESTAURANT FACTS

- For 2019, **39 restaurants** were newly added to the AAA Four Diamond Award list.
- A total of **656 restaurants** throughout the U.S., Canada, Mexico and the Caribbean received the Four Diamond Rating in the past 12 months, qualifying them for the 2019 Four Diamond Award list.
- Four Diamond restaurants account for just **2.1 percent** of the nearly **32,000** AAA Inspected & Approved restaurants.
- States/provinces with the most Four Diamond restaurants: California (74), Florida (54), New York (51), Ontario (45), Texas (32), British Columbia (21), Nevada (21), Quebec (21) and Colorado (18).
- Cities with the most Four Diamond restaurants: New York City (41), Las Vegas (18), San Francisco (17), Toronto (17), Chicago (15), Vancouver (14), Niagara-on-the-Lake (11) and Atlanta (10).
- The Green Room in Wilmington, Delaware, is the longest tenured Four Diamond restaurant at 34 years, since 1985 when AAA began rolling out Diamond Ratings for restaurants. An additional 94 restaurants have maintained the Four Diamond Rating for **20 or more years**.

ABOUT AAA DIAMOND RATINGS

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