

## AAA/CAA FOUR DIAMOND HOTELS AND RESTAURANTS 2013 FACT SHEET

Data provided Jan. 18, 2013 – Valid through Dec. 31, 2013

For complete lists of AAA/CAA Four Diamond hotels and restaurants and additional information about the AAA Diamond Rating System, visit [NewsRoom.AAA.com](http://NewsRoom.AAA.com).

Continuing a 77-year tradition, AAA's professionally trained inspectors use published guidelines to conduct unannounced hotel and restaurant evaluations, assigning Approved establishments a rating of One to Five AAA Diamonds.

- ◆ For 2013, 163 establishments (101 hotels and 62 restaurants) were newly added to the AAA/CAA Four Diamond Award® list.
- ◆ A total of 2,289 establishments (1,535 hotels and 754 restaurants) throughout the U.S., Canada, Mexico and the Caribbean received the Four Diamond Rating in the past 12 months, qualifying them for the 2013 Four Diamond Award® list.
- ◆ The net addition of 44 Four Diamond establishments (all hotels) represents a 2 percent increase over the total 2,245 last year.
- ◆ North Dakota attained its first Four Diamond restaurant: the HoDo Restaurant in Fargo.
- ◆ Collectively, Four Diamond establishments represent just 3.9 percent of the current 59,000 AAA/CAA Approved and Diamond Rated establishments.
- ◆ Four Diamond hotels account for 5.1 percent of the total 30,000 AAA/CAA Approved and Diamond Rated hotels; Four Diamond restaurants account for 2.6 percent of the total 29,000 AAA/CAA Approved and Diamond Rated restaurants.
- ◆ Thirteen hotels have maintained the Four Diamond Rating for 37 consecutive years, since 1976 when the Diamond Ratings were first introduced for hotels.
- ◆ One hundred and ten hotels have maintained the Four Diamond Rating for 25 or more consecutive years.
- ◆ The Green Room in Wilmington, Del., is the longest tenured Four Diamond Restaurant, since 1985 when AAA began rolling out Diamond Ratings for restaurants.
- ◆ Sixty-three restaurants have maintained the Four Diamond Rating for 20 or more consecutive years.
- ◆ States/provinces with the most Four Diamond hotels: California (180), Florida (132), Texas (91), New York (66), Ontario (54), Massachusetts (47) and Arizona (46).
- ◆ Cities with the most Four Diamond hotels: New York (43), Chicago (28), Boston (27), San Francisco (23), Toronto (23), New Orleans (20), San Antonio (18), Dallas (17), Montréal (17), Orlando (17) and Seattle (15).

- ◆ States/provinces with the most Four Diamond restaurants: California (75), Florida (60), Ontario (55), New York (50), Texas (34), Nevada (28), Arizona (26) and Québec (26).
- ◆ Cities with the most Four Diamond restaurants: New York (40), Las Vegas (26), Toronto (26), Chicago (15), San Francisco (14), Boston (13), Atlanta (11) and Vancouver (11).
- ◆ States/provinces with the most Four Diamond establishments: California (255) - 180 hotels/75 restaurants, Florida (192) - 132 hotels/60 restaurants, Texas (125) - 91 hotels/34 restaurants, New York (116) - 66 hotels/50 restaurants and Ontario (109) - 54 hotels/55 restaurants.

#### ABOUT AAA/CAA DIAMOND RATINGS

AAA rates more properties than any other rating entity. It is the only rating system that covers the U.S., Canada, Mexico and the Caribbean and the only rating system that conducts professional, on-site evaluations using published guidelines weighted by member priorities.

AAA Approved and Diamond Rated hotel and restaurant listings can be found in the downloadable [eTourBook® guides](#) and [AAA Mobile® app](#) for tablets and smartphones, the [TripTik® Travel Planner](#) and [Travel Guides](#) on AAA.com, and AAA TourBook® guides available at AAA and CAA offices. Travelers can access information about AAA inspections and Diamond Ratings at [AAA.com/Diamonds](http://AAA.com/Diamonds).