



OCEAN HOUSE

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OCEAN HOUSE AWARDED TRIPLE FIVE-STAR DESIGNATION BY FORBES TRAVEL GUIDE

Iconic Rhode Island Luxury Resort is the Only New Property to be added to the List of 15-Star Hotels in the Official 2015 Star Rating Announcement; Becomes the 10th Hotel in the World and Fifth in the United States with this Distinction

WATCH HILL, R.I. (February 11, 2015) – *Forbes Travel Guide* today unveiled its annual Star Rating list, naming the luxurious [Ocean House](#) in Watch Hill, Rhode Island, as a *Forbes Travel Guide* 15-Star recipient with the hotel and its [OH! Spa](#) and [Seasons restaurant](#) each receiving the coveted Five-Star rating.

Ocean House is the only property to become a triple Five-Star hotel in 2015, making it the 10th hotel in the world and one of only five hotels in the United States to receive this rare distinction.

“We are thrilled and humbled to be recognized by Forbes with this prestigious honor, becoming the 10th hotel in the world to join this elite group of the best of the best,” said Daniel Hostettler, President and Group Managing Director of Ocean House Management, LLC. “This is our fifth year of operation, and I cannot think of a better way to celebrate than with Forbes Five-Star ratings for Ocean House, its world-class spa and now its farm-to-table restaurant. I’m so proud of our team and their dedication to providing the finest guest experience.”

OH! Spa earned its Five-Star designation in 2012, followed by the resort earning its own Five Stars in 2013. Seasons restaurant joined the list of 55 Five-Star restaurants worldwide for the first time this year, thus placing the property into the elite group of only 10 hotels in the world which have all three designations at the same property.

This award, which requires that each component (spa, hotel and restaurant) undergo additional visits over and above the normal annual inspection process in order to ensure consistency across all three areas, is among the highest honors in the luxury hospitality industry, and has been awarded only nine times before: four times in the United States and five times in the remainder of the world. Ocean House now becomes the fifth such property in the United States, joining prestigious hotels such as the Broadmoor in Colorado and the Grand Del Mar in California.

To celebrate this recognition, the resort is unveiling a very special “15 Stars in 2015” package* that will highlight the best of Ocean House, at a great value. Available now through April, the package aptly starts at \$555 and includes:

- Deluxe King or Terrace King Accommodations
- Dinner for Two in Seasons in the Club Room
- \$50 Resort Credit (*to be used toward treatments at OH! Spa, food and beverage or retail*)

“Our Star Ratings recognize the finest hotels, restaurants and spas in the world. These ratings serve as the most authoritative guideposts for guests seeking exceptional travel experiences. Our primary mission is to contribute to excellence in hospitality, serving the global tourism industry as well as the guest,” said Gerard J. Inzerillo, Chief Executive Officer of *Forbes Travel Guide*. “We’re proud to be associated with the new additions to our global list.”

For a detailed explanation of how *Forbes Travel Guide* compiles its Star Ratings, visit www.forbestravelguide.com/about/ratings.

* Must mention “15 Stars in 2015” at time of booking. Offer valid for Sunday night through Thursday night reservations from February to April 2015 and is based on double occupancy. Reservations must be made by March 15, 2015. Excludes holidays; blackout dates apply. Price does not include taxes and service and resort fee. Not applicable on existing reservations. Offer cannot be combined with any other specials or discounts. Dinner in Seasons includes the three-course, prix fixe menu (tax is included; gratuity and alcohol are not included). Resort credit not applicable toward room rate, fees or taxes; applicable only toward OH! Spa, food and beverage or retail.

About Ocean House:

Ocean House, one of New England’s last grand hotels, re-opened its doors in June 2010 after a \$140 million rebuild and restoration. The 136-year-old property, originally built just after the Civil War, is perched high on the bluffs in Watch Hill, Rhode Island. Guests enjoy views of the Atlantic Ocean, Montauk and Block Island from the resort’s 49 guestrooms and 16 signature suites. Farm-to-table casual and fine dining, the 12,000-square-foot OH! Spa and more than 10,000 square feet of event space make the Ocean House ideal for mid-week business retreats, close-to-home family vacations, weekend luxury escapes and destination weddings. This stately property is the only AAA Five-Diamond and Forbes Five-Star rated resort in Rhode Island, and only one of 10 hotels in the world to garner three Forbes Five-Star designations for hotel, spa and fine dining at a single property. For more information, please visit OceanHouseRI.com or call 401-584-7000.

About *Forbes Travel Guide*:

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