



Christmas at The Ritz

December 22 - 26, 2025

\$2,995 per guest (double) \$3,795 per guest (single)



Amelia Island

This Christmas, bask in mild temperatures and beautiful seascapes on a four-night retreat at Amelia Island's renowned Ritz-Carlton, a five-diamond luxury oceanfront resort. Nestled along 13 miles of pristine coastline, this barrier-island sanctuary embodies the essence of refined luxury and Southern charm. From your private balcony, enjoy panoramic coastal views that stretch across the horizon, providing a tranquil backdrop to your stay. Perfectly situated, the resort is just moments away from captivating attractions and celebrated dining, offering a seamless blend of relaxation and exploration.

Each day presents a choice: indulge in leisurely pursuits within the serene surroundings of the resort, or embark on guided local tours and activities curated by Globe Treks. Whether it's a scenic boat ride along the waterways, savoring gourmet cuisine, or participating in engaging holiday events and parties, every moment of this tour is designed to create lasting memories.

Let your holiday spirit come alive with festive activities, including a joyful gift exchange and a sumptuous Christmas feast, making this a truly magical and memorable Christmas holiday experience.

Tour Includes:

- An exquisite oceanfront holiday experience
- 4 nights at the 5-star Ritz-Carlton, Amelia Island
- 13 miles of immaculate beach outside your door
- Fine dining and fresh seafood
- Globe Treks holiday festivities and traditions
- Explore Fernandina Beach and Amelia Island holiday lights
- Visit Fort Clinch State Park and Amelia Island Lighthouse
- Discover the Amelia Island Museum of History
- All meals, full menu where available
- All attractions, guides, and activities included
- Escorted by Globe Treks tour manager
- Home pick-up service & luggage handling
- Tour limited to 29 guests

(Prices and itinerary subject to change)

Christmas at The Ritz Day to Day Itinerary

Day 1: Journey to Luxury

Your Christmas holiday begins with a warm welcome from a Globe Treks representative at your doorstep. Step into the deluxe Globe Treks motorcoach, where you'll find custom leather seating and generous legroom, ensuring a smooth and comfortable journey to the enchanting warmth of the south. As you travel, enjoy a continental breakfast that sets the stage for the luxurious adventure that awaits. After a delightful lunch in Walterboro, South Carolina, take a moment to explore the Colleton County Museum, where the area's rich history unfolds through captivating exhibits. The museum offers a window into the cultural tapestry of the region, making for an enlightening afternoon. As the golden hues of afternoon light set the tone, continue your journey to The Ritz-Carlton, Amelia Island. Nestled along 13 miles of pristine Atlantic coastline, this 5-star resort embodies the pinnacle of elegance and luxury. The Ritz-Carlton, Amelia Island, is renowned for its sophisticated charm and impeccable service, providing a sanctuary where guests can unwind in style. Upon arrival, you'll be greeted by the resort's grand architecture, which seamlessly blends Southern charm with coastal sophistication. The lush, landscaped grounds offer a tranquil escape, while the resort's interiors exude warmth and opulence, featuring rich wood accents, plush furnishings, and artful decor that reflects the island's natural beauty. Your evening begins with a sumptuous dinner at the hotel's exquisite dining room. Here, culinary artistry meets a warm, inviting atmosphere, where chefs craft dishes using the freshest local ingredients, celebrating the flavors of the region. As your first day comes to a close, take a moment to stroll along the resort's peaceful beachfront, where the gentle sea breeze and the sound of waves provide a serene backdrop to your holiday retreat.

Day 2: Exploration and Elegance

Begin your day with a private trolley tour through the Fernandina Beach Historic District, a charming enclave rich in history and architectural beauty. This area, with its well-preserved Victorian-era buildings, offers a glimpse into the past, when Fernandina Beach was a bustling center for shipping and trade during the late 19th century. The district's cobblestone streets and ornate structures tell stories of a time when the

town served as a vital hub, from its beginnings as a Spanish settlement to its evolution into a thriving seaport. In the afternoon, embark on an enchanting boat cruise to Cumberland Island, a place steeped in history and natural wonder. As you glide across the waters and enjoy a box lunch aboard, prepare to step back in time. Once home to the native Timucua people, Cumberland Island later became a retreat for wealthy industrialists like the Carnegie family. The island's historic ruins, including the majestic Dungeness Mansion, offer a hauntingly beautiful reminder of its storied past. Here, nature and history coexist, with wild horses roaming freely against a backdrop of ancient maritime forests and pristine beaches. Conclude your day with a sumptuous seafood dinner at one of Amelia Island's elegant restaurants. The island's culinary scene is celebrated for its fresh, locally sourced ingredients and innovative dishes that capture the essence of coastal living.

Day 3: Relaxation and Festivities

Spend a leisurely morning taking full advantage of the resort's world-class amenities. Unwind with a rejuvenating treatment at the luxurious spa, offering a serene escape and a variety of indulgent services. Alternatively, the serene pool area offers a perfect spot for relaxation and soaking up the sun. In the afternoon, venture to Fort Clinch State Park, where history and nature intertwine. This well-preserved 19th-century fort invites exploration. Constructed in 1847, Fort Clinch played a strategic role in coastal defense during the Civil War, serving as a Union stronghold. As you wander through its brick bastions and ramparts, imagine the soldiers who once stood guard against potential threats, their lives shaped by the tides of war. Continue your historical journey with a visit to the Amelia Island Lighthouse, the oldest lighthouse in Florida and a coastal landmark. Since 1839, this iconic structure has guided sailors safely through the treacherous waters of the Amelia River and Cumberland Sound. The lighthouse stands as a symbol of maritime heritage, its light a beacon of hope and safety for countless seafarers. After another delectable dinner, experience the enchanting holiday lighting displays in Amelia Island and Fernandina Beach. The dazzling lights and festive atmosphere capture the magic of the season, creating an unforgettable experience.

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Day 4: Merry Christmas!

Celebrate Christmas at The Ritz-Carlton with a day filled with Globe Treks holiday traditions. The morning begins with the annual Christmas gift swap, fostering camaraderie and joy among fellow travelers. Delight in the hotel's bountiful Christmas buffet, a sumptuous feast combining traditional holiday favorites with innovative gourmet dishes. Guests can expect a lavish spread of appetizers, salads, and charcuterie, alongside carved meats like roast turkey, honey-glazed ham, and prime rib. Seafood enthusiasts will enjoy delicacies such as shrimp, oysters, and crab legs. For dessert, indulge in a variety of pastries, cakes, and pies, including festive treats like gingerbread and yule logs. The rest of the day is yours to explore the myriad amenities of the resort. Whether you choose soothing spa treatments, a leisurely stroll along the beach, or participating in in-house activities, the festive ambiance and luxurious surroundings promise an unforgettable Christmas Day.



Day 5: December 26 - Departure with Cherished Memories

After a delicious breakfast, it's time to board the motorcoach for our return to western North Carolina. As a Globe Treks representative returns you to your doorstep, take a moment to reflect on the warmth of new friendships, the exquisite meals savored, and the festive experiences that have made this Christmas holiday truly special.

