

15 Oregon hotels, one restaurant garner AAA's Four Diamond rating

Bend growing up as an urban hot spot

The Oxford Hotel in downtown Bend again has a Four Diamond rating from AAA. (*Staff/2012*)

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For the 79th time, the American Automobile Association has issued its list of the best hotels and restaurants in the United States, via its diamond rating system.

The very best get five diamonds; the next tier get four diamonds. Oregon didn't have any at the elite level, but has 15 hotels and one restaurant rated four diamonds, a very high rating that recognizes exceptional amenities and service.

These hotel properties captured AAA's Four Diamond rating in Oregon (with the year they first achieved the status):

Bend: The Oxford Hotel (2010)

Cannon Beach: Stephanie Inn (1995)

Depoe Bay: Whale Cove Inn (2011)

Eugene: Inn at the 5th (2012)

Gold Beach: Tu Tu' Tun Lodge (1976)

Newberg: The Allison Inn & Spa (2010)

Portland: Hotel Monaco Portland, a Kimpton Hotel (1997); Hotel Vintage Plaza, a Kimpton Hotel (2001), currently under renovation; RiverPlace Hotel, a Kimpton Hotel (1986); Sentinel (formerly the Governor Hotel) (2001); the Heathman Hotel (1985); the Nines (2009); the Westin Portland (2000).

Sisters: FivePine Lodge & Spa (2011)

Sunriver: Sunriver Resort (1999)

The restaurant:

Newberg: The Painted Lady (2011)

A total of 2,417 hotels and restaurants in the U.S. made the top two rating categories.

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