



THE RITZ-CARLTON

NEW YORK, CENTRAL PARK

ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSIBILITY & SUSTAINABILITY INITIATIVES

Sustain. Protect. Experience. These are the principles that guide The Ritz-Carlton Environmental Responsibility strategy and goals, including:

- further reducing energy and water consumption 20% by 2020 (Energy 20 percent per kWh/conditioned m²; Water 20 percent per occupied room. Baseline: 2007);
- increasing local and organic dining options by partnering with local farmers, growers and seafood purveyors;
- sourcing environmentally preferred products;
- empowering our hotel development partners to build green hotels;
- engaging and inspiring our employees and guests in conservation efforts.

In addition to the strategies and goals in place to guide our efforts towards environmental responsibility, the company, as well, was the first Founding Partner of IMPACT 2030, a philanthropic collaboration between companies, employees, and nonprofits (NPOs) around the world all aligned towards the UN Global Goals, also called the [Sustainable Development Goals](#) (SDGs). As the flagship of the brand, the Ladies and Gentlemen of **The Ritz-Carlton New York, Central Park** are proud to support these initiatives through on-property [Community Footprints](#) efforts, including:

- In-house recycling program for grease and food waste (ORCA)
- Reporting initiatives towards greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, Carbon Disclosure Project and others
- Water-saving program of 1.6 gallons per flush (GPF)
- Energy-saving LED lights installed throughout the hotel
- Building pump automation systems
- In-room recycling cans to separate plastic, paper, and waste.
- Paper over plastic straw-use at Contour
- Increasing local and organic dining options at Contour by sourcing from local farmers, growers, and purveyors
- Recycle/re-use program for single-use toiletries, which are collected by housekeepers and donated to local homeless shelters. As part of the Marriott-wide initiative, the hotel will be moving towards replacing all single-use bottles of shampoo, conditioner, and shower gel with bulk-size pump-topped bottles by the end of 2020.
- Annually on March 28, the hotel participates in the global “Earth Hour” movement by turning down the lights in various areas of the hotel. This activation is also celebrated in tandem with more than 6,900 Marriott International hotels worldwide.
- Participate in the [@RitzCarltonCSR](#) conversation on Twitter (6k+ followers)

