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## **RISING ABOVE THE MARINA AND THE ARABIAN GULF, THE RITZ-CARLTON, DOHA CELEBRATES ITS 20<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY**

**Doha, Qatar – October 2021** – Since October 2001, the iconic Ritz-Carlton, Doha proudly combines a progressive ethos with cultural traditions, while housing 374 redesigned rooms & suites, 3 distinctive Restaurants, the signature Ritz-Carlton Spa with its state-of-the-art fitness facilities as well as the most impressive Club Lounge with skyline and sea views.

On this special occasion, the iconic hotel where tradition and modernity converge for the last 20 years shares 20 signature facts about the exclusive island landmark:

1. The luxury 5-star hotel is built on two man-made islands connected by two bridges.
2. Back in 2001, The Ritz-Carlton, Doha was the highest building in the city.
3. The only hotel in Doha that features an exclusive island for special outdoor events.
4. Home to the Daydream Festival during its first-ever Middle Eastern Premiere in 2019.
5. Upon entrance to the main lobby, sweeping staircases bring you down to ocean level giving the feeling of walking towards the sea.
6. Frameless floor-to-ceiling windows tower above the lobby, with an endless view on the turquoise blue waters of the Arabian Gulf.
7. The impressive lobby's level is situated 5 meters above ground level.
8. The Viennese Baakowitz chandelier located at the Lobby was assembled by three people within a week's time. With over 2000 individual crystals, it is 7.5 meters in height, 3.5 meters in diameter and weighs 1.2 metric tons.
9. The Ritz-Carlton, Doha hosts a total of 264 Chandeliers throughout its premises.
10. 1,500 architectural drawings were used in preparation for the hotel's construction.

11. The hotel features over 2,000 square meters of meeting space. Al Wosail is the larger of the 2 ballrooms, divisible into 4 sections by dividing panels weighing half a ton a piece.
12. As the eye travels up to the highest peak of the atrium, the large downward pointing cone was designed to diffuse natural daylight and sound.
13. Inside, a series of squarely framed corridors are lined with 34 kinds of stone and marble.
14. 15,000 square feet of gold and silver leaf are evident throughout the domed ceilings of the hotel.
15. The 374-rooms fuse contemporary styling with classic Arabic and European design, and include 42 Club-level rooms along with 61 suites – 4 of them called Grand Amiri suites.
16. Handmade colored glass, gold leaf and patterned marble chips comprise the mosaic design throughout the Spa area and restaurants.
17. In the tranquil setting of the Spa, a light and refreshing ambience is created by cool lavender ceilings combined with rich Italian marbles and mosaic tiles.
18. The state-of-the-art fitness facilities include the largest hotel gym of the city overlooking the private 235-slip Marina.
19. The Ritz-Carlton, Doha is the only hotel in Doha featuring a Junior Size Olympic Indoor Pool.
20. Three distinctive Restaurants compile the hotel's culinary journey; The French restaurant Sel & Miel, the American Steakhouse STK Doha and the Pan Asian restaurant B-Lounge.

### **About The Ritz-Carlton, Doha**

Re-imagined to present a new era in its legacy, The Ritz-Carlton, Doha celebrates the city's progressive spirit with an exclusive Club Level, distinctive dining options, modern rooms and suites, a unique spa journey and legendary outdoor pools. With distinctive features that include the largest chandelier in the Middle East, this 5-star luxury hotel bridges the past with the present to create a rich, multicultural experience defined by extraordinary elegance.

### **About The Ritz-Carlton Hotel Company, LLC**

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