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**The Ritz-Carlton Montréal is the first hotel in Quebec to achieve health security verification from Sharecare and Forbes Travel Guide**

Montréal, March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021 — The Ritz-Carlton is proud to announce that it has become *Sharecare Health Security VERIFIED™ with Forbes Travel Guide*. The comprehensive facility verification helps ensure that guests and travel planners can book with confidence at properties that have appropriate health safety procedures in place.

This verification comes with an easily identifiable “seal of approval” – the *Sharecare VERIFIED™ with Forbes Travel Guide* badge – based on a hotel’s compliance with expert-validated best practices that minimize the risk and impact of COVID-19 and potential future public health events.

Developed by [Forbes Travel Guide](#), the global authority on hospitality excellence, and digital health industry leader [Sharecare](#), the comprehensive verification covers more than 360 standards across health and hygiene protocols, cleaning products and procedures, ventilation, physical distancing, the guest experience, and health safety communication with guests and employees. Hotels are required to verify their health protocols on an ongoing basis to ensure continued compliance with the most up-to-date global health standards.

“The pandemic has made it clear that hotels and resorts must, first and foremost, assure guests of their safety,” said Filip Boyen, CEO of Forbes Travel Guide. “By becoming *VERIFIED™*, The Ritz-Carlton Montréal has demonstrated its commitment to creating a culture of accountability and following global best practices to heighten health security, verified by a third party.”

For a complete list of hotels and resorts that currently are *Sharecare Health Security VERIFIED™ with Forbes Travel Guide*, please visit [www.forbestravelguide.com/verified](http://www.forbestravelguide.com/verified).

## **About The Ritz-Carlton Montréal**

Granted the prestigious CAA/AAA Five Diamond Award – the only one in Quebec – and “Top City Hotel in Canada” in *Travel + Leisure World’s Best Awards*, the Ritz-Carlton Montreal has been the most elegant address in the city since 1912. In May of 2012, the hotel re-opened after an extensive multi-year restoration, which saw the Montreal landmark transformed into a chic and modern space.

Located near many high-end boutiques, galleries and museums, this luxury hotel offers guests 96 guest rooms and 33 suites featuring the latest in high-tech amenities, while details from the original hotel abound to accentuate its seamless mixture of old and new. The hotel’s restaurant, Maison Boulud, is operated by the hotel in collaboration with Chef Daniel Boulud and his restaurant management company, The Dinex Group. It was designed by Super Potato, one of the world’s most highly reputed restaurant design firms.

The first hotel in the world to combine the Ritz and Carlton designations, the Ritz-Carlton Montreal is located in the heart of Golden Square Mile, home to Montreal’s elite in the early twentieth century. A symbol of refinement and elegance, the hotel has welcomed some of the world’s best-known heads of state, artists and business magnates. Several of the 20th century’s leading figures have stayed there, including the Queen Mother, Winston Churchill, Charles de Gaulle, Richard Nixon, Pierre Elliott Trudeau, Brian Mulroney, George Bush Sr., as well as Elizabeth Taylor and Richard Burton, who celebrated their first wedding at the hotel.

## **About Forbes Travel Guide**

Forbes Travel Guide is the only independent, global rating system for luxury hotels, restaurants and spas. Started as Mobil Travel Guide in 1958, the company created the first Five-Star rating system in the United States. Today, Forbes Travel Guide’s incognito inspectors travel the world, evaluating properties based on up to 900 rigorous, objective standards. Forbes Travel Guide also supports the hospitality industry and other service-oriented businesses such as luxury residential, healthcare and private clubs with bespoke training solutions, evaluation services and the creation of custom service standards. For more information, please visit [partner.forbestravelguide.com](http://partner.forbestravelguide.com).

## **About Sharecare**

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