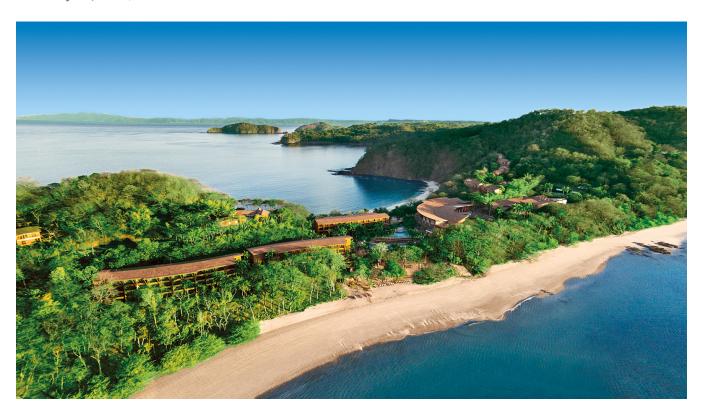
# 2017 Forbes Travel Guide Star Ratings: Four Seasons Resort Costa Rica Earns Five Stars, Reflecting Highest Level of Service Excellence

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Forbes Travel Guide has unveiled its annual Star Rating list, for the second consecutive year, naming <u>Four Seasons Resort Costa Rica at Peninsula Papagayo</u> the only <u>Forbes Travel Guide Five-Star Resort</u> in Central and South America. The Resort is one of 30 Four Seasons hotels and resorts that earned the coveted Five-Star designation in 2017, setting the record for the highest number of Five-Star awards given to a single brand in the history of the *Forbes Travel Guide* Ratings.



The Resort is also home to the <u>Four-Star Spa at Four Seasons Resort Costa Rica</u>, the only Star-rated spa in Central and South America.

Nestled on the tip of Costa Rica's lush Peninsula Papagayo, the idyllic <u>181-room</u> property is perched between two golden sand beaches and offers its guests a stunning <u>golf course</u> and three palate-pleasing <u>restaurants and two bars</u>. Here, guests can experience a bevy of thrilling <u>eco-adventures</u> from zip-lining through the jungle to surfing the waves of the Pacific Ocean.

"It is an honour to be the only Five-Star rated property named by *Forbes Travel Guide* in Central and South America for the second consecutive year. We are humbled and thrilled to receive the recognition again and will continue to excel with intuitive service and comfortable luxury that our guests have come to expect," shares General Manager Rajiv Malhotra.

Star Ratings are awarded by a team of anonymous professional inspectors. In the words of *Forbes Travel Guide*, its inspectors "travel the world to assess hotels, restaurants and spas against up to 800 objective standards." Star Ratings ultimately emphasise quality of service. Five-Star properties are defined as "outstanding, often iconic properties with virtually flawless service and amazing facilities."

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