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Alfond Inn in Winter Park, FL

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After being recognized as one of the Top Hotels in the World by the readers of *Travel + Leisure in the World's Best Awards 2017*, it's no surprise that weddings at The Alfond Inn at Rollins are in great demand. As more couples seek independent boutique hotels that have both a strong sense of locale, culture and a social conscience, the coveted weekend wedding in Winter Park, Florida is more popular than ever.

In response, The Alfond Inn at Rollins has unveiled "Forever Days", a new wedding package that expands the notion of the Big Day as an exclusive weekend affair. Held on Thursdays, Saturday mornings and Sundays, "Forever Days" at The Alfond Inn creates refreshing new planning possibilities and more flexible scheduling options for couples, their friends and families. Wedding receptions that take place on "Forever Days" receive a special 10% savings over the regular wedding rates.

Reception menus are curated individually for each couple by the hotel's Executive Chef and his team. An array of elegant

private event spaces can accommodate intimate occasions and large weddings and rehearsal dinners. Be it the light-filled domed Conservatory, the Park Avenue Ballroom, a private dining room, or an al fresco wedding on the courtyard lawn, each celebration is customized and will exclusively be the only wedding taking place in the hotel at the time.

The Alfond Inn is owned by Rollins College and is the only hotel in the U.S. that serves as the extension of a fine arts museum, showcasing The Alfond Collection of Contemporary Art, a 300 plus piece collection of contemporary art that was assembled and donated to The Cornell Fine Arts Museum by Rollins alumni Barbara and Ted Alfond. The hotel is also distinguished by its philanthropy, as profits are used to fund college scholarships to Rollins College.

The historic town of Winter Park, with its upscale shopping, café-lined main street, walkability and architecture provides the essential elements for a classic small-town destination wedding. Home to Rollins College and three major art museums, the hotel is just a short stroll from both Park



style living in surroundings that are equally ideal for family vacations, romantic getaways and business travel. The décor is sleek and contemporary, with modern furnishings and a palette that evokes the sand, sea and sky. Dining choices range from exceptional American regional cuisine to casual Caribbean fare. The resort's award-winning SiSpa offers sea-inspired pampering and wellness therapies, while its boutique-style meeting space beautifully accommodates high-powered conferences, exquisite beach weddings, and sophisticated social events. Comfortably furnished outdoor spaces make the most of the Florida sun and sea breezes, inviting guests to relax poolside or gather for an evening of drinks and conversation by a fire pit.

The resort invites couples to escape winter's chill to bask in the elegance of a sophisticated beach-inspired wedding, with sweeping ocean views, warm breezes, and white sand beneath the toes on its own private beach. With only one wedding hosted on a given day, each party benefits from the undivided attention of the staff. Couples can choose from a variety of settings to suit their desires, from lavish receptions in the contemporary Colonnade Ballroom to toes-in-the-sand beach ceremonies. The Ocean Terrace Gazebo is ideal for sunset vows overlooking the water followed by cocktails or dinner on the Veranda, with its refreshing fountains and lush

tropical landscaping. 3800 Ocean can also be reserved for an elegant, private wedding reception. The resort's onsite Certified Wedding Planners take care of every detail, guiding couples through everything from customized menu options to décor trends to arranging pre-ceremony pampering at SiSpa.

Shore Lodge in McCall, ID

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Set on the shore of pristine Payette Lake in the charming mountain town of McCall, Idaho, Shore Lodge offers first-class food and beverage catering possibilities, award-winning wine selections, superior guest accommodations and a world-class spa. The 77-room lakeside resort offers three customizable venues perfect for any wedding size. Each of the indoor venues features floor-to-ceiling windows offering panoramic views of the striking natural beauty of the lake and the surrounding Salmon River Mountains, while comfortably accommodating up to 200 guests. The resort employs a seasoned event management and catering team to make every couple's special day worry free and unique by coordinating and customizing every detail, including the daily schedules, entertainment, recreational activities and menus, prepared with fresh and locally sourced ingredients under the direction of Shore Lodge's Executive Chef. 🍷