



AMMAN  
VENICE

A TIME TO REFLECT

FESTIVE 2023 / 2024

Season 's greetings,

We are delighted to share the festive season with you here in Serenissima, where we know you will create unforgettable memories with those you love as you reflect on 2023 and anticipate the New Year to come.

We have curated a special festive calendar inspired as much by the introspection as the celebration that marks this wondrous time of the year.

If you are interested in participating in any of the events across these pages, please contact a member of our team, who are dedicated to making the coming days as seamless as possible and assisting with any special requests.

Wishing you a joyful holiday season and a happy and healthy year ahead.

Your Aman Venice Family





## A BRIGHTER FUTURE

Aman properties around the world are an integral part of the communities in which they are set, providing unique insight into the lives and needs of each community.

At this time of year, when reflection and counting our blessings go hand in hand with reaching out to those less fortunate, we are pleased to be able to share our local initiatives.

## PASTICCERIA GIOTTO PANETTONE

Italy's only bakery inside a prison, Pasticceria Giotto in Padua has been selling delicious baked goods since 2005 while also drastically reducing the re-offending rate among prisoners once released (down to 2% from the national average of over 50%). Support this incredible initiative by purchasing their signature delicacy from Aman Venice – a delicious Christmas panettone.

## SUPPORT LOCAL ARTISANS

Enjoy a guided shopping excursion tailored to your personal interests in support of local artisans. Items could include traditional furlane slip-on shoes, exquisite marbled paper, Murano glass and handcrafted jewellery, among many others.

22-30 DECEMBER



### **Festive Afternoon Tea**

The Bar – 4-6pm  
Reservation suggested

Join us for a festive-inspired Afternoon Tea.

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### **Christmas Eve Dinner**

Arva – from 7.30pm on 24 December  
Reservation required

A delicious Christmas Eve Dinner will be served, after which guests are invited to join us for midnight mass at the Frari or Basilica di San Marco. Afterwards, enjoy hot chocolate and panettone back at the Palazzo.

CHRISTMAS EVE MENU  
24 DECEMBER 2023

*Gran crudo di mare*  
Selection of raw seafood

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*Tagliolino all'astice con burrata e pesto di dragoncello*  
Tagliolini with lobster, burrata cheese and tarragon pesto

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*Scorfano in cacciucco*  
Redfish soup

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*Mousse al pistacchio con cuore morbido al lampone e financier al cioccolato*  
Pistachio mousse, raspberries coulis and chocolate cake

25-26 DECEMBER



### **Christmas Day Lunch or Dinner**

Arva – from 12.00pm / from 7.30pm on 25 December  
Reservation required

After morning mass in St Mark's Basilica ( or another church nearby) choose between an indulgent Christmas day lunch or dinner.

While away a cosy afternoon in true Italian style on our second Piano Nobile, playing board games with loved ones.

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### **The Great Christmas Walk via the Peggy Guggenheim Collection**

The Lobby – 11am on 26 December  
No reservation required

Join Aman Venice's General Manager, Licinio Garavaglia, for The Great Christmas Walk – an annual Aman Venice tradition. Wrap up warm for a stroll through the lanes and over the bridges of San Polo all the way to Sant'Elena if you desire. A visit to the remarkable Peggy Guggenheim Collection will quite possibly be the highlight of your walk.

CHRISTMAS DAY MENU  
25 DECEMBER 2023

*Cavolo ripieno, fonduta al taleggio e tartufo bianco*  
Stuffed cabbage, taleggio cheese fondue and white truffle

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*Ravioli del plin in consommé di capponne*  
Dainty plin (pinched) ravioli in capon broth

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*Faraona alla brace e confit, cicorietta e castagne di Combai*  
Grilled and confit guinea fowl, chicory and chestnuts from Combai

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*Mousse al pistacchio con cuore morbido al lampone  
e financier al cioccolato*  
Pistachio mousse, raspberries coulis and chocolate cake





### **New Year's Eve Celebrations**

Arva - from 7pm on 31 December  
Reservation required

Celebrations starts with sunset drinks overlooking the Grand Canal. Thereafter, an exquisite dinner in Arva is accompanied by a variety of musical entertainment taking place throughout the evening. As the countdown to midnight approaches, head down to our jetty to be whisked away by boat\* to watch the New Year fireworks over the Salute. On your return to Aman Venice, enjoy Zampone e lenticchie - an auspicious Italian dish traditionally eaten to welcome the New Year.

\*Boat to the fireworks at additional cost

### **New Year's Day Brunch**

Arva - 11am on 1 January  
Reservation required

After a leisurely start to the first day of the year, tuck into an indulgent Italian brunch at Arva. This multi-course feast will be accompanied by a glass of Italian spumante sparkling wine to toast the arrival of the New Year.

NEW YEAR'S EVE DINNER  
31 DECEMBER 2023

*Crudo di pesce in cacciucco*  
Raw fish with cacciucco sauce

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*Battuta di Fassona al coltello, sfoglia croccante, cipolla fondente  
e tartufo bianco*  
Fassona beef tartare, puff pastry, onion fondue and white truffle

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*Cappellaccio ripieno di baccalà all'amatriciana di pesce*  
*Cod stuffed cappellaccio with fish amatriciana sauce*

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*Risotto con mirtilli rossi di laguna e secole di suino iberico alla brace*  
Risotto with wild red berries from the lagoon and grilled Iberian pork

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*Astice, sorbetto alla zucca e zenzero, riduzione di melograno  
e granita di foie gras*  
Lobster, pumpkin and ginger sorbet, pomegranate  
and foie gras granita

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*Petto d'anatra, pastinaca e gel all'aceto di lamponi*  
Duck breast, parsnip and raspberry vinegar gel

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*Grattachecca al tè nero con spuma di miele di Barena*  
Black tea Kombucha shaved ice, salt marsh honey mousse

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*Semifreddo ai cachi con gelato allo yogurt*  
Persimmon parfait and yogurt ice cream

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*Piccola pasticceria*  
Petits fours

*Aperitivo di benvenuto con flute di Champagne incluso*  
Welcome aperitif with flute of Champagne included

## SUGGESTED EXPERIENCES

### Get Lost in San Polo

From its canal-side perch in San Polo, Aman Venice is a window into the city's historic glories and modern-day cultural highlights. Priceless art and iconic landmarks reveal themselves at every turn – most just a stroll or short gondola ride away. But for the most unique and memorable encounters, turn to Aman's experts. Experiences range from bespoke, chef-led tours of the Rialto Market to private boxes for the opera at La Fenice.

Enjoy a guided walking tour of San Polo with one of our art experts. Highlights include the church of Santa Maria Gloriosa dei Frari, the Scuola Grande di San Rocco with its notable collection of Tintoretto paintings, and Ca' Centani, the birthplace of 18th-century playwright, Carlo Goldoni.

Two-hour guided tour for up to five people.

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### Treasures of San Polo

Venice has always been one of Europe's major art centres, especially during the Middle Ages, Renaissance and Baroque periods when it was common for wealthy Venetians to become patrons of the arts. Early masters were Giorgione and Titian, followed by Tintoretto and Veronese. The advent of printing also raised the city's profile, as by the end of the 15<sup>th</sup> century Venice had become one of the first cities in Italy to have a printing press after those established in Germany.

### Christmas Biscuit Baking

Little ones will enjoy a hands-on Christmas baking course, learning to make gingerbread and shortbread with our expert chefs. Younger guests are welcomed with a soft drink and biscuit, while accompanying adults are invited to enjoy tea, coffee and cake.

Two-hour class suitable for children aged 8 years or above. One adult is required to accompany every two children.



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### **Aman Spa**

The Aman Venice Spa is tucked away on the third level of the Garden Building. Access is via a narrow stairwell that leads to a discreet reception area. Softly lit with low ceilings, the Spa exudes the atmosphere of a sanctuary, and provides three single treatment rooms, each with a dressing area and bathroom.

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### **Festive Spa Journey**

Indulge in a glow-inducing body polish with thermal salt and gold powder enriched with Omega 3 and 6. Continue your wellness journey with a relaxing massage, before a Gold Algae Face & Eye Mask is applied to nourish the skin.

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### **Fitness Facilities**

Aman Venice has a small gym on the fourth level of the Palazzo Building. Commanding views over the city's roofline, the facility offers aerobic and strength-conditioning equipment and areas for free weights and stretching.



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