



# Aman Venice

Festive 2021/22

Welcome to Aman Venice,

We are delighted to share the festive season with you here in our floating city. At this time of year, an enchanting sense of excitement fills the air, and our cobbled streets, charming squares and romantic canals come alive with a magical feeling that can also be found throughout our Palazzo home.

Designed to showcase the best of Aman Venice - a place that has hosted iconic celebrations for centuries - we have created a daily programme of unique experiences. We hope that these activities will help you create unforgettable memories with loved ones and fill your heart with a warm sense of the Aman spirit. This year, we also invite you to discover the traditions and rituals of our neighbours from Aman hotels and resorts around the world, with various activities that pay homage to our global portfolio including future openings such as Aman New York.

If you are interested in participating in any of the events across the following pages, please contact our Reservations Team who are dedicated to making the coming days as seamless as possible. The team will also be happy to assist with any special requests, to make your stay even more memorable.

We wish you a relaxed and joyful holiday season and a happy new year.

Your Aman Venice family.





## Supporting the Local Community

Aman properties around the world are an integral part of the communities in which they are set, and all of our team members and their families are part of the larger Aman family. This provides unique insight into the needs of each community, and Aman Venice is no exception. 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.

## Purchase a 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 who've experienced a particularly challenging year. Items could include traditional furlane slip-on shoes, exquisite marbled paper, Murano glass and handcrafted jewellery, among many others.

## Festive Season Activities

6 December

### **San Nicola**

In true tradition, guests are invited to leave a shoe outside their door at night, in hope that San Nicola may visit and leave behind a treat.

8 December

### **Christmas Tree Lighting**

We will meet at 7pm to light the Christmas tree together and to toast to the start of the festive season with typical Venetian drinks.

24 December

### **Christmas Eve**

From 3pm to 4.30pm Afternoon Tea will be accompanied by the piano, once used by Chopin, where our talented pianist plays a medley of Christmas music. From 7.30pm savour a delicious Christmas Eve Dinner prepared by our chefs, before guests are invited to join us for midnight mass at the Frari or Basilica San Marco, followed by hot chocolate and Panettone to welcome them back to the Palazzo.



6 December

### **Christmas Day**

Following morning mass in St Mark's Basilica (other options in various churches nearby are also possible), guests may choose between an indulgent Christmas Day lunch or dinner.

A cosy afternoon is spent in true Italian style on our second Piano Nobile, with an afternoon spent playing board games with loved ones or at the movies in the Tiepolo room.

26 December

The Great Christmas Walk and Visit to the Peggy Guggenheim Collection

We invite our guests to wrap up warm and join us at 9am for the Great Christmas Walk through the alleyways and over the canals of Venice from Aman Venice to Sant'Elena and to visit the Peggy Guggenheim Collection in the art collector's former home (weather permitting).



31 December

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

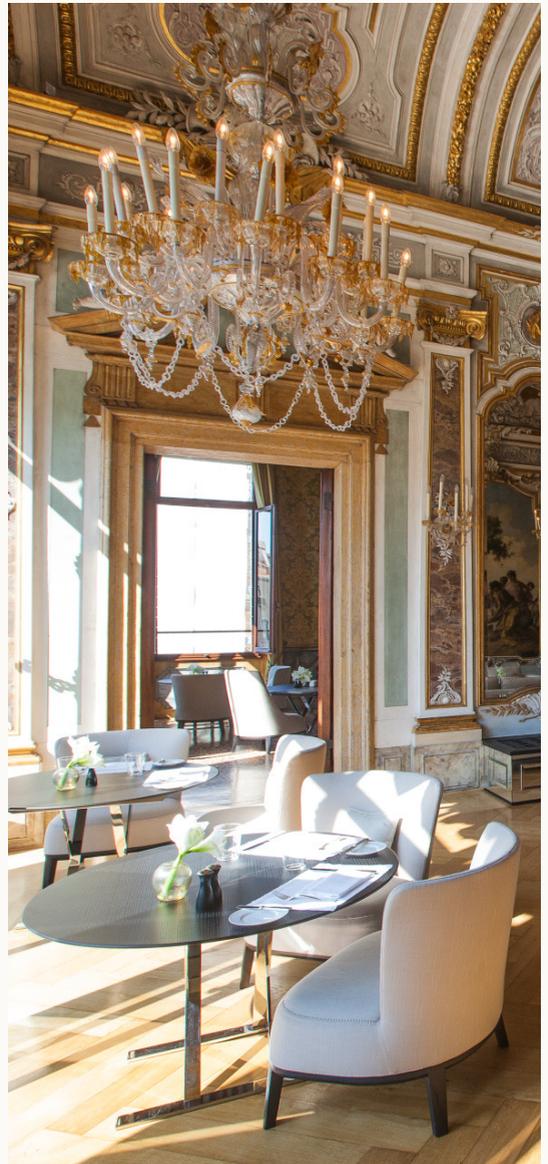
We begin the celebrations with a Blue Note themed aperitivo as a tribute to the opening of Aman New York. The jazz inspired refreshment is followed by an exquisite dinner (starting from 7pm) with a variety of musical entertainment taking place throughout the evening. Dinner will be served in restaurant, Arva and, as the time nears midnight, guests are whisked away by boat\* to watch the New Year fireworks over the Salute before returning to enjoy traditional Zampone e Lenticchie.

\*Reservations required and additional fee applies

1 January 2022

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

Savour an indulgent Italian brunch (starting from 11am) accompanied by music and a glass of Italian spumante to celebrate the arrival of the New Year. Brunch will be served in restaurant Arva.



## AMAN VENICE CHRISTMAS EVE DINNER

Topinambur croccanti e lime  
Crispy Jerusalem artichoke and lime

Tartare di ricciola, puntarelle e arance sanguinelle  
Yellowtail tartare, puntarelle and blood orange

Piovra arrostita, olio alla paprika, sedano e sesamo nero  
Grilled octopus, paprika oil, celery and black sesame

Risotto acquerello, scampi, maggiorana e limoni di Sant'Erasmus  
Risotto acquerello with langoustine, majoran and lemon from Sant'Erasmus

Coda di rospo, finocchi arrostiti, capperi e salsa verde  
Monkfish tail, roasted fennel, capers and green sauce

Oppure/or

Filetto di cervo, cavolfiori romaneschi e bacche di ginepro  
Fillet of venison, Romanesco cauliflower and juniper berry

Biscotti caldi, crema alla vaniglia e mascarpone  
Warm biscuits, vanilla and mascarpone cream

€200 per person

Bevande escluse/Beverages not included

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Advance reservations suggested



## AMAN VENICE CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Endivia gialla e rossa brasata, blu 61 e nocciole  
Braised red and yellow endive, Blu 61 and hazelnuts

Crudo di scampo e mandarino  
Langoustine carpaccio and mandarin

Moeche fritte con mandorle e foglie di lime  
Soft shell crab, almonds and lime leaves

Cappelletti del mignolo in brodo  
Tortellini in broth

Faraona arrosto, pastinaca, aglio nero e timo limonato  
Roasted Guinea fowl, parsnips, black garlic and lemon thyme

Sformato al gianduia, gelato allo yogurt e lamponi  
Gianduia chocolate fondant, yogurt ice cream and raspberries

Per person €200

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AMAN VENICE NEW YEAR'S EVE DINNER

“Lardo di mare”, focaccia e rosmarino  
“Lard from the sea”, focaccia and rosemary

Zucca arrosto, formaggio caprotto e i suoi semi  
Roasted pumpkin, goats' cheese and seeds

Cappesante scottate, sedano rapa e riduzione di zafferano  
Seared scallops, celeriac and saffron reduction

Maccheroncino trafilato, cime di rapa, stracciatella e pepe rosa  
“Maccheroncino”, turnip tops, stracciatella and pink pepper

Ravioli al nero, mazzancolle e salicornia  
Black ink ravioli, mazzancolle prawns and samphire

Astice cotto a bassa temperatura, mais e castraure di Sant'Erasmus  
Poached lobster, corn and artichoke from Sant'Erasmus

Germano reale, mela cotogna e cavolo cappuccio  
Roasted mallard, bramley apple and cabbage

Babà al bergamotto, gelato alla rapa rossa  
Bergamot babà, beetroot ice cream

Crocante al cacao, spezie e frutta candita  
Chocolate crumble, spices and candied fruits

Per person €600

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## Suggested Activities

### Get Lost in San Polo

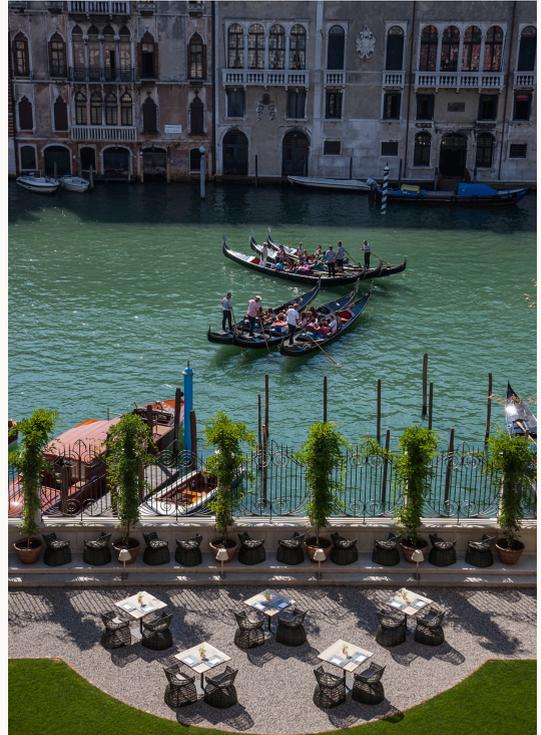
Aman Venice overlooks the Grand Canal in San Polo, the smallest of the six sestieri (districts) of Venice. Named for the Church of San Polo, it is also one of the oldest parts of the city, known for its beautiful palaces, churches and market. We highly recommend “getting lost” in this area - just head out the back gate of the Palazzo and start wandering. It really doesn't matter which way you go; there is beauty in every direction over the district's 35 hectares. If you would like a map, we will happily provide one. Otherwise simply follow the signs for Rialto Bridge, the oldest of the four bridges spanning the Grand Canal, located a five-minute stroll from the Palazzo. Over the bridge, the wonders of San Marco are a 15-minute walk away. These include Piazza San Marco and St Mark's Basilica.

### 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 15th century Venice had become one of the first cities in Italy to have a printing press, after those established in Germany.

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

Two hour guided tour, €320 (up to five people)



### Lagoon Aperitivo

In the late afternoon, head west down the Grand Canal, winding through the smaller canals, out to the Giudecca and into the lagoon. Take an aperitivo with a selection of delicious Venetian cicchetti and enjoy the views of fishermen hauling-in their nets as the sun begins to set behind the distant islands.

One-hour cruise includes one bottle of Prosecco and Venetian cicchetti for two persons: €230



## Spa and Relaxation

### Spa

The Aman Venice Spa is located – almost hidden – on the third level of the Garden Building. Access is via a small stairwell which leads to a discreet reception area. Dimly 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. One of the treatment rooms has a deep soaking tub.

### Fitness Facilities

We also have a small Gym on the fourth level of the Palazzo Building. The facility offers aerobic and strength-conditioning equipment, an area for free weights and stretching, and commanding views over the city's roofline.

### Garden Terrace

Fronting the Grand Canal is the Garden Terrace, one of very few private gardens on the water. Mature trees and a quadrangle of verdant lawn provide the ideal setting for a relaxing hour or two.

### Private Garden

Aman has a second hidden Private Garden with soaring trees. This garden provides a serene setting for resort guests as well as walking access to San Polo through a private gate.

### Rooftop Terrace - Altana

Accessed via stairs and a lift, Aman Venice's roof terrace is intimate in scale with panoramic views of the city's rooftops and St Mark's bell tower. On a clear day, the Alps can be seen on the horizon. Peaceful early in the morning, it is also a serene spot for a drink and canapes in the afternoon.

### The Library

The palazzo's historic Library is also located on the fourth floor, adjacent to the Salon, and is a peaceful retreat housing a selection of interesting books from Count Giberto Arrivabene Gonzaga's personal collection. There are also coffee table books, magazines and daily newspapers available.

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