

Tibb's Tipples, Mischievous Mummers and Yuletide Traditions in a Still-Wild World

On Fogo Island, Newfoundland

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Fogo Island, NL., 25 September 2018—Christmas and New Year's on Fogo Island are fast approaching, and the flurry of on-Island activity is mirrored by the scattered skyward flurries characteristic of Fogo Island's mild December. As caribou freely roam, Fogo Islanders prepare to partake in centuries-old traditions with friends both long-held and soon-to-be. From December 23 to 29, 2018, guests can "come home" to Fogo Island Inn for **A Merry Little Outport Christmas**, and can even stay right through to welcome in 2019 and the **New Year's Eve at One of the Four Corners of the Earth** festivities, beginning on December 30 to January 2, 2019.

Solo travellers, couples, and families staying over a minimum of three nights can experience the true spirit of an elemental Christmas: from handcrafted decorations, fireside stories, weather-watching from a quilted bed, and even midnight celebrations at a local church. Most unique of all is the Newfoundland tradition of mummering—dressing up in a disguise for incognito social shenanigans over drinks, music, and dance. At the Inn, simple pleasures like mulled crabapple cider brandy imbibed on Tibb's Eve, juniper tea sipped by the fire, and gift wrapping in the Gathering Hall set the mood for a cozy celebration with new friends and loved ones.

Following the festivities of Christmas, guests are invited to welcome in the new year in a space of quiet reflection and natural wonders—with fireworks, caviar, and an intimate performance by electronic violinist **Hugh Marsh** and pianist and songwriter **Kevin Hearn**, of the award-winning band, the Barenaked Ladies. Most auspiciously, guests will be among the first in North America to ring in 2019 as Newfoundland has its own time zone (seriously) a full hour and a half ahead of New York and the countdown in Times Square. All while basking in the glow that only a new year can bring with champagne-warmed cheeks, celebrate with storytelling and poetry while Fogo Island Inn's Executive Chef Jonathan Gushue and his culinary team serve up an exquisite New Year's Eve supper accompanied by a sustainable caviar tasting by the King of Caviar himself, Cornel Ceapa, PhD. of Acadian Sturgeon and Caviar. Midnight is

marked by a fireworks display, gun salutes, and a rooftop toast with a fine selection of Canadian bubbly.

*Fogo Island Inn's **A Merry Little Outport Christmas** and **New Year's Eve at One of the Four Corners of the Earth** itineraries include all meals, an Island Orientation with a Community Host, and special holiday programming. To reserve, call International Reservations at **+1 709 658 3444**, US & Canada Reservations at **+1 855 268 9277**, or email reservations@fogoislandinn.ca.*

ABOUT FOGO ISLAND INN

Travel + Leisure (T+L) readers recently voted Fogo Island Inn *Best Resort Hotel, Canada*, in 2018 for the second consecutive year. Fogo Island Inn made the Condé Nast Traveler's Gold List 2016 and 2017—the editors' choice list spanning six continents and 47 countries. This recognition from the US magazine comes on the heels of a place on the 2015 Gold List of its British sister publication, Condé Nast Traveller. Fogo Island Inn sits on an Island, off an Island, at one of the four corners of the Earth. Every one of the Inn's 29 guest suites has dramatic floor-to-ceiling windows that open onto the wildest and most powerful ocean on the planet, located less than 100 feet from an organic natural-fibre dream bed. Most suites have a wood-burning fireplace stove; all are furnished with quiet luxuries and handmade furniture and quilts—a stimulating relief from the numbing uniformity of modern times. Built on the principles of sustainability and respect for nature and culture, the award-winning Inn was designed by architect Todd Saunders. The Inn is a community asset and all surpluses from the operation are reinvested in the community to help secure long-lasting resilience for Fogo Island, Newfoundland.

More information on Fogo Island Inn can be found [here](#).

ACCESS TO FOGO ISLAND, NEWFOUNDLAND, CANADA

Gander, Newfoundland is the international gateway to Fogo Island. Commercial flights from Toronto with connections in St. John's or Halifax can bring travellers to Gander in just over four hours. The Inn offers a land-and-ferry pick-up and return service to Gander. Travel from Gander to Fogo Island takes two hours by car or around 30 minutes by charter plane or helicopter. All transfer logistics and accommodations can be arranged by the Inn's reservations team at: **855-268-9277** or reservations@fogoislandinn.ca.

More information on Fogo Island Inn can be found [here](#) or by calling **1-855-268-9277** (toll free) or direct at **709-658-3444**.

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