

Holiday Tipping Checklist

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- Holiday Tipping
 - Holiday tipping is never required.
 - Don't tip if you can't afford it or you don't feel the person deserves it.
 - Determine the etiquette in the area by asking around.
 - Prioritize your most important service providers.
 - Tip those who serve you all year long and with whom you have a personal relationship.
 - Consider giving a holiday tip to the folks who take care of your home and family.
 - Tip up to the cost of one session for personal services.
 - In a restaurant tip 10-15% on the alcohol and 15-20% on the food.
 - It's acceptable to give a non-cash gift of up to \$20 to Public servants.
 - Before you arrive at a nicer hotel or resort, inquire as to whether gratuities are included in the price of the room.
 - When on tour, check if the tip is not already included, otherwise give 10-15% of the tour price.
 - When you give a tip, include a card or a hand-written note thanking the person for their service.
 - If your budget does not allow for tips, consider homemade gifts.
 - If you tip generously all year, you can skimp a bit.