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MANDARIN ORIENTAL, LAS VEGAS CELEBRATES THE YEAR OF THE SNAKE WITH CHINESE NEW YEAR OFFERINGS

HONG KONG 31 January 2013 - In celebration of Chinese New Year, triple Five-Star [Mandarin Oriental, Las Vegas](#) rings in the Year of the Water Snake with the following festive offerings, from February 8 – 11, 2013.

CHINESE NEW YEAR FEAST AT MOZEN

[MOzen Bistro](#), Las Vegas' favorite restaurant for fine Asian cuisine, will offer a "Year of the Snake Dim Sum Menu" and a "Prosperity Yu Sheng Menu" from 12 pm – 10 pm, February 8 – 11. A special Chinese New Year Dinner for USD 65 per person serves Chinese delicacies such as Roast Peking Duck Crepes, Charsiew Pork with Lemongrass Prawns, Corn & Crab Soup, and a choice of Fillet of Cod with XO Sauce, Singapore Chilly Crab, or Hainanese Chicken Rice. Dessert is a delicious Coconut Soup with Mango Dumpling & Caramel Sorbet. In addition to the usual brunch fare, MOzen Bistro's Sunday Brunch will showcase a selection of Chinese inspired entrees and desserts. An intricate Snake display created by the hotel's Pastry Chef, Gianni Santin, will decorate the restaurant for the occasion. For reservations and more information, please call +1 702-590-8882.

TRADITIONAL CHINESE TEA CEREMONY IN MANDARIN TEA LOUNGE

Guest can enjoy elegantly delicious afternoon tea in Mandarin Oriental's stunning [Tea Lounge](#) with Chinese New Year-inspired pastries, handmade Fortune Cookies and a specially crafted sugar snake created by Pastry Chef Gianni Santin. Mandarin Tea Lounge offers a selection of high grade Chinese Teas in addition to other blends to suit a variety of tastes. Afternoon tea service will be served by staff trained in the art of the traditional Chinese Tea Ceremony and are delighted to share the history of Chinese New Year with guests. The Chinese New Year afternoon tea service is priced at USD 35 per person and is available from February 8 - 11. For reservations, please call 702-590-8882.



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GONG FU CHA TEA CEREMONY

(Video footage of this tea ceremony is available upon request.)

The Lounge will also offer an authentic Gong Fu Cha, a very traditional Chinese tea service. Gong Fu Cha, literally means “making tea with efforts”. Imperial Spring Dragonwell tea is carefully pan-fired to create a toasty aroma with a sweet, rounded flavor and the pot and cups are carefully warmed to a touchable temperature. Next, the server shares the scent of the tea in its container with each guest to pay homage to the tea’s aroma and quality. The next step called “The dragon enters the Palace,” occurs when the tea is placed into the serving pot and is followed by the next two steps which literally translate as “rinsing from an elevated pot” and the “bathe the immortal twice”. The tea is then poured from one pot to another for a final rinse of the tea leaves before being presented to guests. The Gong Fu Cha Tea Ceremony is offered daily in The Lounge February 8 – 11 from 2:30 pm to 5 pm. Priced at USD 15 per person, it is recommended for parties of three or more. For reservations and information, please call +1 (702 590 8882), email molas-fbresv@mohg.com or book online at [OpenTable.com](https://www.opentable.com).

MANDARIN BAR CELEBRATES THE YEAR OF THE SNAKE

[Mandarin Bar](#) will offer two special Chinese New Year-inspired dishes featuring Chinese Barbecue Pork Ribs, Cilantro and Pickled Vegetable, and Peking Duck Rolls with Scallions, Cucumber and Hoisin Sauce. The *Snake Bite* cocktail was created by Mandarin Bar’s Mixologist and Head Bartender Michael LaPenna to celebrate the Chinese New Year.

Smoked Cherry Snake Bite

- 1 oz Bakers Bourbon
- 1 oz Dissarano
- 1/2 oz Heering Cherry Liquor
- 1/2 oz Simple syrup
- 1/2 oz Lime Juice

Build in a tall glass misted inside with Laguvulin 16 year-old scotch, top with Black Cherry Soda and garnish with a Black cherry and gummy worm.

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YEAR OF THE SNAKE PAMPERING IN THE SPA

[The Spa at Mandarin Oriental, Las Vegas](#) has created the following treatments exclusively for the Year of the Water Snake and are available from January 23 – February 28, 2013. To make an appointment or more information, please call +1 (702) 590 8886 or email molas-spa@mohg.com.

Double Destiny – 2 Hours / USD 650 per couple

Set in a private couple's suite, this two-hour Chinese New Year ceremony is designed for couples seeking good karma, long lasting relationships and a bit of romance. An inviting foot ritual using essential oils begins the journey. After a skin softening body exfoliation, couples relax under the Private Heaven Steam Shower. Then symbiotic rhythms are restored as a couple's side-by-side massage is performed.

Destiny of the Water Serpent – 90 Minutes / USD 280 weekends and USD 240 weekdays

This invigorating massage rings in the Chinese New Year with a welcoming foot ritual followed by a full body massage designed to release tension and increase circulation in the lower back and shoulders. A warm mineral mud mask is then applied to the lower back and enveloped with moist heat for deeper penetration to "uncoil" this customarily tense and tight area of the body.

Chinese Zodiac Manicure and Pedicure – USD 220

The Spa's Chinese Zodiac manicure and pedicure is tailored to a guest's personal Chinese element of fire, earth, metal, water or wood. Both the manicure and pedicure use an exfoliant, mask, moisturizer followed by a customized hand and/or foot massage on vital energy points using aromatherapy oils. The treatments conclude with a cuticle clean up, shaping and nail polishing.

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[Mandarin Oriental, Las Vegas](#) is one of only four triple Forbes Five-Star hotels in the United States and is the only hotel in Las Vegas with Five-Star recognition for the hotel, [Twist restaurant](#) and The Spa. A sophisticated sanctuary of modern elegance prominently situated at the entrance of CityCenter, Mandarin Oriental has made its mark as the ultimate urban resort destination in the heart of the Las Vegas Strip. Designed entirely by interior designer Adam D. Tihany and architecture firm Kohn Pedersen Fox, Mandarin Oriental brings to Las Vegas a new standard of style with stunning suites, captivating architectural design, unique restaurant and bar venues, and the legendary hospitality of Mandarin Oriental.

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