

# news release

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## THE ROSEBERY OPENS AT MANDARIN ORIENTAL HYDE PARK, LONDON

**Hong Kong, 12 May 2014** – [Mandarin Oriental Hyde Park, London](#) is delighted to announce the opening of *The Rosebery* today, the hotel's new salon overlooking Knightsbridge serving Afternoon Tea and champagne cocktails every day.

To celebrate the opening, [Mandarin Oriental Hyde Park, London](#) is offering guests an overnight stay in one of the hotel's Courtyard King rooms inclusive of English breakfast served in the dining room overlooking Hyde Park or in-room, and Afternoon Tea for two in *The Rosebery*. Rates start from GBP539 (inclusive of 20% VAT), subject to availability.

Afternoon Tea at The Rosebery is served with a selection of fresh sandwiches, pastries, scones and seasonal jams all created by the hotel's dedicated team of chefs. In conjunction with The East India Company, signature blends of Breakfast, Afternoon and Directors Reserve have been exclusively crafted to Mandarin Oriental's specifications, together with a selection of speciality teas. In particular, the *Oriental Afternoon Blend* has been created to linger on the palate as an ideal afternoon pick-me-up. Uniquely, two high-grown single estate teas from very different regions - Orange Pekoe from Sri Lanka and the Golden Monkey leaf from China combine for a soft, full, gentle yet textured profile.

During the morning, viennoiserie and Danish pastries are served including a selection of house-made croissants and muffins alongside the bespoke *Mandarin Morning Blend* of tea, which combines tea selected from the misty hills of Ceylon, the lush estates of Assam and the Kenyan Highlands, robust and deep while retaining character; the perfect way to start the day. Once the evening begins, the elegant lounge will transform into a Champagne Bar, offering premier champagnes and champagne cocktails.

Commenting on the new addition to Mandarin Oriental Hyde Park, General Manager Anthony McHale said; "Complementing our existing restaurants, which include two-Michelin starred *Dinner by Heston Blumenthal* and *Bar Boulud*, the buzzing French-style brasserie and wine bar, *The Rosebery* further enhances Mandarin Oriental Hyde Park's position as the ultimate gastronomic destination in London".

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Commenting on partnership, The East India Company's Chairman Sanjiv Mehta, says; "We are proud to continue the tradition started with The East India Company's first voyages east 400 years ago, bringing tea first to London and then to the tables of the world. Working in collaboration with Mandarin Oriental Hyde Park, London and its passionate team to create perfect teas, for what is sure to be one of the finest tea rooms in the world, has been an exciting journey for The East India Company. Just as the company's tea clippers raced back with the finest teas of the season, our Tea Master has personally selected teas from some of the finest tea estates to create an unrivalled tea library with rare teas and bespoke blends crafted exclusively for Mandarin Oriental Hyde Park."

Capitalizing on the hotel's iconic location in the heart of fashionable Knightsbridge, the interior design, by G&A Designs, captures the room's Victorian origins, blended with contemporary touches. The design also makes full use of the expansive space and height of the room and its abundance of natural light. A beautiful fireplace is a central feature, together with specially commissioned one-of-a kind art pieces. Every element in creating the Afternoon Tea and Champagne salon has been truly bespoke, including the new Rosebery China Collection by William Edwards, glassware by John Jenkins and uniforms designed by one of Britain's young fashion designers, Charlotte Taylor.

The Rosebery is open from 9am to 11pm Monday to Sunday. Reservations for The Rosebery can be made on + 44 (0) 20 7201 3828 or email [molon-rosebery@mohg.com](mailto:molon-rosebery@mohg.com). For hotel reservations, please call +44 (0)20 7201 3773 or email [molon-reservations@mohg.com](mailto:molon-reservations@mohg.com). For further information please visit [www.mandarinoriental.com/london](http://www.mandarinoriental.com/london).

### **About Mandarin Oriental Hyde Park, London**

With bustling Knightsbridge on its doorstep and leafy Hyde Park at its rear, Mandarin Oriental Hyde Park is London's most prestigious address. Blending sumptuous guestrooms with a world-leading spa and a stylish bar, it is the definitive destination for a luxury escape. And with two award-winning restaurants including Bar Boulud, London and Dinner by Heston Blumenthal, the first London restaurant for one of the UK's most renowned chefs, Mandarin Oriental Hyde Park stands at the culinary centre of the capital.

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### **About The East India Company**

The East India Company first introduced tea to Britain as a gift to King Charles II in 1664 and, as such, was instrumental in creating this country's tea drinking traditions. The East India Company continues this legacy today, bringing seasonal, rare, and exclusive teas from around the world to London. Fine teas are chosen only from those estates where The East India Company holds direct relationships – collaborating with each estate to determine where the tea is planted on the estate, how it is grown, picked, handled and transformed from delicate green leaves to finished tea, even to the speed with which each small batch is shipped to London – thus enabling The Company to best capture each tea's intrinsic flavour.

### **About Mandarin Oriental Hotel Group**

Mandarin Oriental Hotel Group is the award-winning owner and operator of some of the most luxurious hotels, resorts and residences. Having grown from a well-respected Asian hotel company into a global brand, the Group now operates, or has under development, 44 hotels representing close to 11,000 rooms in 25 countries, with 20 hotels in Asia, ten in The Americas and 14 in Europe, Middle East and North Africa. In addition, the Group operates or has under development, 13 Residences at Mandarin Oriental connected to its properties.

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