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LING LING, A NEW EXPERIENCE FROM HAKKASAN, TO OPEN AT MANDARIN ORIENTAL, MARRAKECH IN AUGUST 2016

HONG KONG, 4 July 2016 – Mandarin Oriental has announced a partnership with Hakkasan Group to open a new dining concept, *Ling Ling*, at [Mandarin Oriental, Marrakech](#) on 22nd of August 2016.

Offering a vibrant, social experience that fits well with the Marrakech lifestyle, *Ling Ling* provides a creative twist to the renowned Hakkasan DNA, resulting in an experience that encompasses cocktails, dining and dancing in no particular order. Drawing inspiration from the Japanese Izakaya concept, *Ling Ling* offers an innovative cocktail list, smaller plates of beautifully prepared Cantonese dishes, perfect for sharing, and an eclectic soundtrack. *Ling Ling* overlooks the picturesque olive groves and serene pools at the centre of the award winning Mandarin Oriental resort, and encompasses an outdoor terrace, lounge and bar. The venue will be open all year round for cocktails and dinner.

“We are delighted to welcome *Ling Ling* to Marrakech,” says Mark Bradford, General Manager of Mandarin Oriental, Marrakech. “Our beautiful resort is the natural home for its first venture in Morocco. *Ling Ling* is not only a great addition to the hotel’s other culinary offerings, but it will also provide a stylish nightlife venue to complement the chic and vibrant Marrakech scene.”

“We are very pleased to be bringing *Ling Ling* to Mandarin Oriental, Marrakech,” says Vinicio Alberelli, Director of Operations, Europe and UK. “The combination of two such iconic brands and teams is a truly exciting endeavour. We believe *Ling Ling* will become a drinking and dining destination in the city offering something completely unique to the market.”

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Ling Ling at Mandarin Oriental, Marrakech has been designed by Gilles & Boissier, the acclaimed French designer duo who created the overall design of the resort.

About Hakkasan Group

Hakkasan Group is a worldwide dining, entertainment, and hospitality company with establishments located across the United States, Europe, Middle East, and Asia. Its namesake is taken from its Michelin star restaurant that set the high-level standard for the group's collection of diverse brands. Its 'brand first' philosophy builds restaurant, nightlife, daylife and soon-to-be hotel concepts into world-class lifestyle brands, all with a focus on service, design, innovation, and experience. *Ling Ling* at Mandarin Oriental, Marrakech will follow the successful format of *Ling Ling* Mykonos, which has achieved significant acclaim since opening in 2015.

For more information, visit www.hakkasangroup.com.

About Mandarin Oriental, Marrakech

[Mandarin Oriental, Marrakech](#) is set among 20 hectares of landscaped gardens filled with the scent of 100,000 roses, with the snow-capped Atlas Mountains providing a stunning backdrop. Located just 10 minutes' drive from the heart of the city and the historic Medina, the hotel offers [54 private villas](#) inspired by Berber and Andalusian-Arabic influences, all with secluded walled gardens, swimming pools and hot tubs, extensive areas for sunbathing and shaded alfresco dining. A further [nine spectacular suites](#), seven with their own rooftop plunge pool, feature panoramic vistas of the gardens and the surrounding countryside. There are a variety of [exceptional restaurants and bars](#), and a [world-class spa](#) offering the Group's renowned signature treatments as well as treatments inspired by Moroccan traditions. The luxury experience is completed by the group's unparalleled service, allied to the best traditions and hospitality of the Moroccan Kingdom.

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About Mandarin Oriental Hotel Group

Mandarin Oriental Hotel Group is the award-winning owner and operator of some of the world's most luxurious hotels, resorts and residences. Having grown from its Asian roots into a global brand, the Group now operates 29 hotels and seven residences in 19 countries and territories, with each property reflecting the Group's oriental heritage and unique sense of place. Mandarin Oriental has a strong pipeline of hotels and residences under development, with the next hotel openings planned in Doha and Beijing.

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