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MANDARIN ORIENTAL, NEW YORK INVITES GUESTS ON AN EXPLORATION OF FINE WINE DURING ITS SPRING WINE DINNER SERIES

New York, March 6, 2015 – The Five-Star [Mandarin Oriental, New York](#) invites guests on a gastronomic journey to discover some of the world's finest wines during the Spring Wine Dinner Series at its signature [Restaurant Asiate](#).

Hand selected by the award-winning wine team, rare vintages and extraordinary new bottles from celebrated wineries and Champagne houses around the world will be introduced to guests during these exclusive monthly dinners. Each of the wines and champagnes showcased will be paired with an exquisite multi-course menu created by Asiate's talented culinary team under the direction of Executive Chef Christian Pratsch. Asiate's modern American cuisine features sophisticated interpretations of traditional ingredients that are accented with creative twists, including unexpected pops of flavor, interesting textures and beautiful visual presentations. An expansive "wall of wine" greets guests at the restaurant's entrance with a selection of nearly 3,000 vintages that has been curated by the wine team.

The Spring Wine Dinner Series kicks off with Delas Frères from France's Northern Rhone Valley on **March 23, 2015**. Host Sergio Zecca of Maisons Marques and Domaines USA will introduce guests to some of the house's most renowned vintages crafted by Winemaker Jacques Grange, including *Côtes-du-Rhône 'St. Esprit' Blanc 2013*, *Condrieu 'La Galopine' 2012*, *Crozes Hermitage 'Le Clos' 2009*, *Hermitage 'Domaine Des Tourettes' 2010*, and *Côte-Rôtie Seigneur de Maugiron 2009*, all of which are celebrated for their intensity of flavor and excellent pedigree. The dinner is available at USD 225 per person, plus tax and gratuity.

Asiate's Spring Wine Dinner Series will take place from March through June 2015. Wine events will begin at 6:30 p.m. with a cocktail reception, followed by dinner at 7 p.m. Following the kick-off dinner on March 23, 2015, the Spring Wine Dinner Series will be featured as follows:

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- **April 22, 2015** – Winemaker, General Manager and Vineyard Manager of **Bergström Wines** Josh Bergström will lead diners on a journey of the winery's hand-crafted sustainable wines, such as its Pinot Noir and Chardonnay, that have been cultivated from five estate vineyards in Oregon
- **May 21, 2015** – **Ruinart Champagne's** Brand Ambassador Lacey Burke shares a selection of pure, delicate and timeless bottles that have been skillfully blended and then aged in 2,000 year-old cellars from France's oldest Champagne house which was established in 1729
- **June 15, 2015** – Celebrated Winemaker Chris Upchurch of boutique artisan winery **Delille Cellars** in Washington will showcase Bordeaux-style wine blends as well as first growth red varietals, including Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot blends, from the Washington State terrior that use some of the oldest vines in the state

Pricing for each dinner varies and reservations can be made by contacting Asiate directly at +1 (212) 805 8881 or monyc-asiate@mohg.com.

About Mandarin Oriental, New York

A stunning fusion of modern design with stylish Oriental flair, [Mandarin Oriental, New York](#) features [244 elegant guestrooms and suites](#) — all with breathtaking views of Manhattan and Five-Star hospitality. Luxurious amenities include [Asiate](#), the hotel's elegant restaurant; MObar created by noted interior designer, Tony Chi; the [Lobby Lounge](#) with dramatic views of Central Park; a 14,500-square-foot, [Five-Star Mandarin Oriental Spa](#); and a state-of-the-art fitness center with a 75-foot lap pool. In addition, there is premium meeting and event space, including a [6,000 square-foot pillar-less ballroom](#) with three walls of windows overlooking Central Park. Located in Columbus Circle's Time Warner Center, Mandarin Oriental, New York is in an idyllic location just steps away from world-class dining, shopping and entertainment, including the Broadway Theater District, Lincoln Center, Central Park, Jazz at Lincoln Center and the Time Warner Center's collection of upscale retail shops and restaurants.

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