

# news release

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## **EXPLORE THE CITY BY THE BAY WITH MANDARIN ORIENTAL, SAN FRANCISCO AND PORSCHE DESTINATION DRIVES**

**Hong Kong, 19 August 2014** – The double Forbes Travel Guide Five-Star [Mandarin Oriental, San Francisco](#) invites guests to experience the local Bay area in style with [Porsche Destination Drives](#). This exclusive offer from Forbes Travel Guide and Porsche Cars North America puts guests in the driver’s seat of a Porsche while enjoying [curated road trips](#) designed by the hotel concierge.

The Porsche Destination Drives experience is available for guests that book a stay at Mandarin Oriental, San Francisco from September 13 to October 11, 2014. Guests may choose from a selection of Porsche vehicles which includes the new Panamera S E-Hybrid Luxury Sedan, a 911 Carrera S Cabriolet Sports Car, and a Cayenne GTS Sport Utility Vehicle.

“We are thrilled to offer this unique experience to our guests and provide them with an opportunity to experience the elegance and sophistication of both Porsche and Mandarin Oriental, San Francisco,” said Donald Bowman, General Manager.

The Porsche Destination Drives will be available Monday through Saturday for two-hour journeys beginning at 10 a.m., 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. Driving reservations are subject to availability and will be made on a first come, first served basis. For reservations, please call +1 (415) 276 9600 or email [mosfo-reservations@mohg.com](mailto:mosfo-reservations@mohg.com).

### **About Mandarin Oriental, San Francisco**

The Forbes Five-Star awarded 158-room [Mandarin Oriental, San Francisco](#) is located in the heart of the city and offers unparalleled panoramic views of the bay and beyond from the top 11 floors of San Francisco’s third tallest building, 345 California Center. Having recently completed an extensive refurbishment with the addition of [Brasserie S&P](#) restaurant and bar, and an 8,000



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square foot [Spa and Fitness Center](#), the hotel is consistently ranked among the world's top hotels by leading authorities. The Spa is the only Forbes Five-Star awarded spa in Northern California. Features include *Travel + Leisure* 'World's Best Hotels' Awards 2014, *Wine Spectator Magazine* 'Best of Award of Excellence' 2014; *CondeNast Traveler* Readers Poll 'Best Business Travel Hotels' 2013 ranked 7th in the U.S. For reservations or more information, please call +1 800 622 0404 or visit [www.mandarinoriental.com/sanfrancisco](http://www.mandarinoriental.com/sanfrancisco)

### **About Forbes Travel Guide**

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### **About Porsche Cars North America**

Porsche Cars North America, Inc. (PCNA), based in Atlanta, Ga. is the exclusive U.S. importer of Porsche sports cars, including the Macan and Cayenne SUVs and the Panamera sports sedan. Established in 1984, it is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Porsche AG, which is headquartered in Stuttgart, Germany, and employs approximately 270 people who provide parts, service, marketing and training for 189 dealers. They, in turn, work to provide Porsche customers with a best-in-class experience that is in keeping with the brand's 66-year history and leadership in the advancement of vehicle performance, safety, and efficiency. At the core of this success is Porsche's proud racing heritage that boasts some 30,000 motorsport wins to date.

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### **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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