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## MANDARIN ORIENTAL, BANGKOK – HOTEL OVERVIEW

For over 145 years, travellers have followed the River of Kings to stay at the legendary [Mandarin Oriental, Bangkok](#). A haven of calm on the banks of the river, this iconic hotel has always been a truly remarkable place that understands and knows Bangkok as well as it does its guests. Not only was it the first luxury hotel to open in Thailand, but it was also the first to open on Bangkok's vibrant riverside, the first to have a hotel spa and the first to have a hotel bar.

The refined setting has been loved not only by discerning international travellers but also by locals who fondly refer to the hotel as 'Bangkok's Sitting Room'. Legendary silk tycoon Jim Thompson was a one-time owner of the hotel and a plethora of literary greats have called the hotel home and even have suites named after them, including Dame Barbara Cartland, James Michener, John Le Carré and Kukrit Pramoj.

Located on the banks of the River of Kings, this legendary hotel is only steps, or a short boat ride, away from some of the city's finest shopping and entertainment at IconSiam, historical areas and the heart of Bangkok's new Creative District. The hotel's teak shuttle boats carry guests to the city's Saphan Taksin BTS Skytrain station and IconSiam throughout the day.

Mandarin Oriental, Bangkok's colleagues are renowned for their legendary service and are gracious, courteous and respectful to guests, many of whom are greeted by name. The 1,300 staff provide a 4:1 staff-to-guest service ratio – the highest in the city. With an average of 14 years of service, each colleague's dedication to delivering a unique service experience to guests is unparalleled.

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### **Restaurants and Bars**

Diners are spoilt for choice as Mandarin Oriental, Bangkok is home to 11 innovative restaurants and bars, from seafood and prime cut meats at Lord Jim's, fondly known as Bangkok's meeting place, to alfresco riverside dining at The Verandah and Riverside Terrace. Two-Michelin-starred French fine dining is offered at Le Normandie, Italian dishes at Ciao Terrazza and Chinese delicacies at The China House. The latest addition to the hotel's restaurant offerings is Kinu by Takagi, where guests can enjoy refined Kyo-ryori Kaiseki style dining in an intimate setting. The hotel's private teakwood boats carry guests across the river to the hotel's two Thai restaurants, Sala Rim Naam and Terrace Rim Naam. The hotel's famed afternoon tea is offered in the iconic The Authors' Lounge, whilst The Bamboo Bar, recently voted the Best Bar in Thailand by Asia's 50 Best Bars, is renowned for live jazz and unforgettable cocktails, and offers the perfect spot for an aperitif or digestif.

### **Fitness and Wellness**

Teakwood boats carry guests over to The Oriental Spa, which opened as the first city spa in Bangkok in 1993 and has since garnered numerous awards, including being the only spa in Thailand to have been awarded five stars by Forbes Travel Guide. Set within a restored teakwood house, guests can choose from a series of luxurious treatments inspired by traditional Thai and western techniques. Meanwhile the Fitness & Wellness Centre offers a state-of-the-art gymnasium, tennis courts, aerobics/yoga studio and even a Muay Thai boxing studio. Complimentary classes are offered twice daily for in-house guests. The Spa Studio offers results driven treatments and Mandarin Oriental, Bangkok offers guests two outdoor swimming pools.

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### **Meeting and Banquet Events**

The hotel's luxurious versatile function spaces can cater for intimate meetings from 10 guests to lavish events for 800 people. Dedicated event planners tailor-make any event providing flexible, creative, innovative ideas alongside award-winning service and menus.

Mandarin Oriental Hotel Group has 49% ownership of the hotel and the General Manager is Mr Anthony Tyler.

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