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MANDARIN ORIENTAL, BANGKOK ANNOUNCES RIVER WING RENOVATION

Hong Kong, 7 November 2018 – [Mandarin Oriental Hotel Group](#) has announced a renovation of [Mandarin Oriental, Bangkok's](#) River Wing, designed to confirm this historic hotel's position as one of the best in the world. Scheduled to commence in March 2019 and taking seven months to complete, the renovation will encompass all the rooms and suites in the hotel's River Wing, together with the lobby, swimming pools and [Lord Jim's](#), [The Verandah](#) and Riverside Terrace restaurants. The historic Authors' and Garden Wings of the hotel will remain open throughout the renovation.

In keeping with the successful restoration of the Authors' and Garden Wings in 2016, the River Wing renovation is designed to further enhance the accommodation and facilities of this iconic hotel, while maintaining its classic, Thai-influenced elegance and unique resort style.

A major component of the work will be to enlarge the guest rooms located in the River Wing. The overall number of guest rooms will be reduced from 338 to 301, while the number of suites will increase from 30 to 46. All rooms will have views of the Chao Phraya river. The award-winning designer, Jeffrey Wilkes of Design Wilkes, has been appointed to oversee the interiors, which will feature updated amenities, bespoke Thai fabrics, skillfully crafted furniture and beautifully reconditioned artwork from the hotel's collection. The hotel's Lobby, Lord Jim's, The Verandah and Riverside Terrace restaurants will also be stylishly renewed, with many original features restored and re-instated.

All rooms and suites in the Authors' and Garden Wings, located in separate buildings to the River Wing, will remain open throughout the renovation period, as will the hotel's remaining restaurants and banqueting facilities. These include the two-Michelin-starred Le Normandie, the renowned Authors' Lounge, the Bamboo Bar, Ciao Terraza, Sala Rim Naam, Terrace

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Rim Naam, The China House and the Ballroom. In addition, the hotel's award-winning spa and fitness facilities will remain fully operational. As both swimming pools will undergo renovation, alternative arrangements will be made for guests wishing to swim.

“Throughout its 142-year history, Mandarin Oriental, Bangkok has been an icon of this vibrant city. The River Wing renovation will complement the stunning Authors' and Garden Wing refurbishment, and has been meticulously designed to recognise the property's heritage while ensuring our continued position as one of the world's legendary hotels,” said Greg Liddell, General Manager of Mandarin Oriental, Bangkok.

The River Wing will close during the city's low season, and re-open in October 2019, in time for the start of the high season in Bangkok.

About Mandarin Oriental, Bangkok

Built in 1876 and ideally located on the banks of the Chao Phraya River, Mandarin Oriental, Bangkok has been an inspiration to a host of world-renowned writers from Joseph Conrad, Somerset Maugham to Wilbur Smith and John Le Carre. Mandarin Oriental, Bangkok boasts an international reputation for splendid service, style and grace and facilities including eight restaurants. The hotel's private teakwood shuttle boats provide daily access to the Thai Cooking School, the hotel's Thai restaurant, the award-winning Oriental Spa and Health Centre located across the River; as well as the nearest skytrain station (SaphanTaksin) and River City Shopping Centre.

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 31 hotels and seven residences in 21 countries and

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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, and is a member of the Jardine Matheson Group.

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