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# MANDARIN ORIENTAL, BARCELONA LAUNCHES "OPERA FLAVOURS EXPERIENCE" ACCOMMODATION PACKAGE

**Hong Kong, 6 August 2018** – <u>Mandarin Oriental, Barcelona</u> is offering guests an opportunity to experience a combination of the finest opera, Michelin-starred gastronomy and luxurious five-star accommodation. Available from 14 September 2018 to 29 January 2019, the hotel's <u>Opera Flavours experience</u> luxury accommodation package includes premier tickets to the opera at Barcelona's famous Liceu Opera Barcelona and exclusive *Opera* tasting menu at Moments restaurant.

At the hotel's two-Michelin-starred Moments restaurant, seven-Michelin-star Carme Ruscalleda and her son Raül Balam will present a tasting menu inspired by the world of opera. Guests will be able to choose from twelve opera-themed dishes, including the *Three Tenors*, which is Italian tigella bread and squid stuffed with sausage, *Wagner*, made with German cheese and beetroot, and *The Marriage of Figaro*, made with white garlic, Spanish dried peppers, Sevillan olives and sardines. Served on opera-inspired crockery, these dishes will make the world of opera come alive for guests' taste-buds, complementing what they see and hear on stage.

To make their evening at Liceu Opera Barcelona truly exceptional, guests will be given a private VIP tour of this historic cultural icon. Starting at the opera house entrance, the tour will take in the elegant Renaissance-styled Vestibul del Teatre, before continuing to the Hall of Mirrors, which has been a meeting place for the Catalan bourgeoisie for many years. Cava will then be served at the Circulo del Liceo, an English-style private club with an impressive art collection that has been favoured by local high society since it was founded in 1847.

Depending on when guests book the *Musical and gastronomic opera experience* package, they can choose to see either *Don Quixote*, *I Puritani*, *L'Italiana in Algeri* or *Madama Butterfly*. During the opera intermission, cava and appetizers will be served.



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Guests can book the <u>Opera Flavours experience</u> package from August 2018 and enjoy an opera on any of the dates available during the at Liceu Opera Barcelona's 2018/19 season.

Priced from EUR 3,426 for two people, the *Opera Flavours experience* includes:

- Two nights' accommodation in a luxurious room or suite (minimum two-night stay)
- Full daily breakfast served in the privacy of guests' room or hotel restaurant
- Special signature treat
- Opera tasting menu with wine pairing for lunch or dinner at two-Michelin-star Moments restaurant
- Premier seats for two people at an opera performance, including cava and appetizers
- Private guided tour of Liceu Opera Barcelona, with a glass of cava at Circulo del Liceo
- Private transfer to and from the opera house
- Late check-out upon availability

For reservations, please visit <u>www.mandarinoriental.com</u>.

### **About Liceu Opera Barcelona**

Barcelona's opera house, the Liceu Opera Barcelona, stands in the centre of the Old Quarter's bustling La Rambla, the centuries-old iconic promenade that epitomises the city's colourful character. Founded in 1847, the Liceu Opera Barcelona, has remained an important cultural centre and symbol of the city.

#### **About Circulo del Liceo**

The opera house's private club, the Circulo del Liceo, is designed in the English style and possess a rich artistic heritage. In addition to having a series of elegant salons, it has a conference room, library, restaurant and many other services, and shares the same iconic building with the Liceu Opera Barcelona. Opened in 1847, the Circulo remains to this day a point of reference for the social and cultural life of Barcelona and Catalonia.



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The club's exuberant Art Nouveau decoration is complemented by a significant collection of excellently maintained works of art, many of which are without equal in the city for their importance. The collection includes paintings by Ramon Casas from the Catalan Modernisme movement.

## About Mandarin Oriental, Barcelona

Mandarin Oriental Barcelona is an exclusive hotel situated right on Barcelona's Passeig de Gràcia. The property has 120 bedrooms and suites with an exquisite and elegant interior design by Patricia Urquiola. Its carefully considered gastronomic offering currently consists of two restaurants: Blanc restaurant and the signature restaurant Moments, providing neotraditional Catalan cuisine under the auspices of the multi-Michelin starred chef Carme Ruscalleda. Mandarin Oriental, Barcelona appeals as a meeting point for guests and local residents alike, and offers enticing spaces such as the Mimosa garden, the Terrat with exceptional panoramic views and the Banker's Bar, with its extensive cocktail menu and a cosmopolitan atmosphere. Mandarin Oriental, Barcelona also has a 1,000 m<sup>2</sup> over the Mandarin Oriental, Barcelona also has a 1,000 m<sup>2</sup> spa where guests can enjoy an innovative range of holistic treatments. Facilities include a 12 metre long, heated swimming pool, eight treatment rooms and steam baths infused with essential essences.

## **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 32 hotels and eight residences in 21 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. Mandarin Oriental is a member of the Jardine Matheson Group.

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