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CELEBRITY CHEF, HELENE DARROZE AT MANDARIN ORIENTAL, GENEVA

Hong Kong, 30 June 2015 - [Mandarin Oriental, Geneva](#) will host world famous, Michelin-starred chef, Hélène Darroze, at the hotel's [Café Calla](#) restaurant this autumn. Gourmets can indulge in Chef Darroze's signature French cuisine at the hotel from 22 - 26 September 2015.

Named "The Veuve Clicquot World's Best Female Chef 2015" by The World's 50 Best Restaurants, [Hélène Darroze](#) has been awarded one Michelin star in Paris and two Michelin stars in London, and is a jury member in French TV cooking competition, "Top Chef".

Her roots in southwest France, which stretches from Charentes to the Spanish Basque country, inspire Hélène Darroze's cuisine. Ingredients always take precedence in her kitchen, and she carefully considers produce, season and expert knowledge. Guests will be able to savour dishes such as Roasted corn-fed chicken breast stuffed with ceps, Line caught hake, and the black and creamy Acquarello rice with sautéed calamari, chorizo and confit tomatoes.

In the chef's words, "As a fourth generation chef, for me, food is an opportunity to bring people pleasure and happiness! My food is vibrant and emotional. My vision is to provide an unforgettable experience for the diners in my restaurants. Emotion is the starting point, authenticity is the common thread and creative flair brings self-expression."

Guests have two opportunities to experience Chef Darroze's fine dining at Café Calla.

- ***Lunch and dinner menus from 22 to 26 September***

The four-course lunch menu and six-course dinner menu by Hélène Darroze are priced CHF 135 and CHF 245 respectively. Café Calla's tables seat up to eight persons each, while its private dining room can seat 12. Total restaurant seating is limited to 80 persons for both lunch and dinner.

Reservations can be made via email at darroze@mohg.com. Guests unable to make a reservation, because of the limited seating can add their names to a waiting list for the next available table.

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- ***Gourmet Dinner with Hélène Darroze package on 25 and 26 September only***

The *Gourmet Dinner with Hélène Darroze* accommodation package is available for diners on 25 and 26 September 2015 only. The package is priced from CHF 1'190 for two and includes one night accommodation in a Premier River View room, dinner at Café Calla with Hélène Darroze's special six-course menu on the night of stay, breakfast, internet connection and a special commemorative gift.

This package is subject to availability and non-refundable. Additional nights may be booked at current rates. Reservations can be made online at www.mandarinoriental.com/geneva.

About Hélène Darroze

Hélène Darroze is the fourth generation of chefs in her family, who have been running their restaurant in Villeneuve-de-Marsan in the 1950. She began her career in 1990 when she worked as right hand woman to Alain Ducasse at his Three-Michelin-starred Louis XV in Monte Carlo. She then returned home to run her family's restaurant before opening her own eponymous establishment in Paris in 1999. Two year later, she won her first Michelin star. She opened her eponymous restaurant at the Connaught in July 2008, gaining a Michelin star in 2009 and a second in January 2011.

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