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### MANDARIN ORIENTAL TEAMS UP WITH ABERCROMBIE & KENT TO OFFER EXCLUSIVE LUXURY TRAVEL EXPERIENCES AT SELECT DESTINATIONS WORLDWIDE

**Hong Kong, 19 February 2019** - <u>Mandarin Oriental Hotel Group</u> has announced an exclusive partnership with leading luxury tour operator <u>Abercrombie & Kent</u> to provide guests with a variety of curated experiences, when they stay at selected Mandarin Oriental hotels worldwide.

Offers range from culinary tours and fashion insights to art, adventure and sport experiences. Each is designed to give guests unique access to local experiences, such as a bespoke street food tour in Bangkok, enjoying prime seats for a New York Knicks game and meeting their star players, or following in the footsteps of royalty with a private tour of the Palace of Versailles.

"We are delighted to partner with Abercrombie & Kent to offer our guests innovative ways to enhance their stay. A&K are a renowned global travel brand and these are unique experiences curated by them and exclusive for Mandarin Oriental's guests," said Kristin Ruble, Mandarin Oriental Hotel Group's Senior Vice President of Brand and Experience Marketing."

"A&K and Mandarin Oriental are old friends. For decades our guests have stayed at Mandarin Oriental properties around the world – enjoying its exemplary hospitality in the best locations," Geoffrey Kent, CEO, Chairman and founder of Abercrombie & Kent commented. "This natural partnership will allow guests to experience the A&K difference – insider access that nobody else can provide, creating memories that last a lifetime."

For more information on the combined room and experience packages please visit the Mandarin Oriental website, or call Abercrombie & Kent at +44 (0)1242 546 620.



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Packages and participating hotels are as follows:

#### Suite Bookings

#### **Discover the ancient capital** Indulge your inner Indiana Jones and embark on an archaeological adventure. Bangkok Guests will travel by helicopter from Bangkok to the old capital of Thailand - Ayutthaya—and explore the ancient city alongside an acclaimed archaeologist. **Bespoke art adventure** Delve into the absorbing world of Chinese art with our celebrated connoisseurs. A&K experts, Yim and Hong Kong Fung Ming-Chip, bring the cultural history of Hong Kong to life. Dine with da Vinci Dine in the presence of a masterpiece. Milan Enjoy a private viewing of Leonardo da Vinci's 'The Last Supper' before sitting down to an exclusive dinner within Basilica di Santa Maria delle Grazie. **Exclusive tour of The Louvre** Enjoy VIP access through the iconic Paris glass pyramid into one of the world's most prestigious art museums. A&K's art historian will share his knowledge of the ubiquitous masterpieces on display. Fiesta of football and food **Barcelona** Enjoy the best seats in the house with a VIP visit to FC Barcelona's famous Camp Nou stadium, and dine with one of their legendary players.

### **Deluxe Room Bookings**

## Sample Bangkok's signature street food

Discover a treasure trove of traditional Thai cuisine. This exclusive tour is guaranteed to kickstart your senses.

# Set sail in style on hand-crafted junks

Step aboard one of Hong Kong's most exquisite wooden junks to enjoy a new perspective of this iconic city from the waters of Victoria Harbour.

## Retail therapy in the fashion capital

Indulge your passion for shopping and style in the fashion capital of the world. With the city's top designers on speed dial, A&K's fashion expert will help you refresh your look. **Discover the secrets of Versailles** Enjoy a visit to the Palace of Versailles. A&K's history expert will lead you on a private tour where you'll walk in the footsteps of royalty.

### A tapas tour with private guide

There is no more Spanish a way of spending an evening than to stroll in search of dinner in a few of Barcelona's most interesting "tapas bars".



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Miami	<b>Dine with an astronaut</b> Count down to an out-of-this-world experience at the Kennedy Space Centre. Learn about the moon landings and life in space during your day of discovery here.	<b>Graffiti art tour</b> Discover Miami's vibrant new hot spot. Wynwood Arts District has exploded onto the scene with its street art to create an outdoor gallery you won't want to miss.
	Hold court with the New York	After-hours art odyssey
New York	Knicks	Come face-to-face with Vincent van
	The hottest tickets in town will give you	Gogh's 'Starry Night' during a
	VIP access to meet the stars of the New	private tour of New York's iconic
	York Knicks before taking your	galleries. A&K's expert curator will
	exclusive courtside seats.	provide an insider perspective on the
		priceless masterpieces you view.

### About Abercrombie & Kent

Abercrombie & Kent was founded in 1962 by Geoffrey Kent when he headed out into Kenya's bush country with little more than a tent, his mother's silver ice bucket and a Land Rover adapted to provide refrigeration. These early trips formed the blueprint for African safaris, and the tone for every A&K journey that followed. Today, fifty-five years on from that first safari in East Africa, you can experience the A&K difference in more than 100 countries on all seven continents. With a network of 54 offices around the world and a family of more than 2,500 travel experts, A&K is in a unique position to ensure that every aspect is arranged with exacting precision for a stylish, seamless and safe journey. There is travel, and there is travel with A&K. www.abercrombiekent.co.uk

### **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 six residences in 22 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, and is a member of the Jardine Matheson Group.

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