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MANDARIN ORIENTAL'S STAR-STUDDED RESTAURANT LINE UP

Mandarin Oriental Hotel Group honoured in the latest 2015 Michelin Guides. The Group now has 16 Michelin stars in 11 restaurants – more than any other hotel group in the world.

Hong Kong, 8 December 2014 -- Mandarin Oriental hotels have long been renowned for their excellence and innovation in food and beverage, and the Group's passion for creating memorable dining experiences has once again been recognised, with ten restaurants being honoured in the 2015 *Michelin Guides*, bringing the current total number of restaurants in the Group's portfolio to 11 with 16 Michelin stars. This is more than any other hotel group in the world.

In Europe, <u>Moments</u> restaurant, headed by the renowned chef Carme Ruscalleda and chef Raül Balam retained its two Michelin star status in the 2015 Spanish *Guía Michelin*. A testament indeed to the enthusiasm and passion of this dedicated culinary team. <u>Dinner</u> at Mandarin Oriental Hyde Park, London where Heston Blumenthal and Executive Chef, Ashley Palmer-Watts, serve historic gastronomy with a 21st century twist, also retained its two Michelin star status in the 2015 guide.

At Mandarin Oriental, Geneva <u>Rasoi by Vineet</u>, the first fine dining restaurant in Geneva to offer contemporary Indian cuisine, maintained its coveted one star status in *Michelin's 2015 Guide for Switzerland*.

In Asia, the Group's flagship property, Mandarin Oriental, Hong Kong, was again honoured with a total of four Michelin stars awarded to three of its restaurants. *Pierre*, which features the bold cuisine of multi award-winning, three Michelin starred chef, Pierre Gagnaire retained its two Michelin star status in the 2015 guide. *Man Wah*, the hotel's Cantonese restaurant offering exquisite local and regional specialities retained its one Michelin star. *Mandarin Grill + Bar*, a Hong Kong dining institution, where artistic Executive Chef Uwe Opocensky serves a modern interpretation of grill classics and the city's finest seafood, also retained its one Michelin star for the sixth consecutive year.



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In addition, <u>Amber</u> at The Landmark Mandarin Oriental, Hong Kong, also maintained its coveted two Michelin star status. The restaurant features the innovative and exhilarating cuisine of talented Chef Richard Ekkebus.

Finally, three restaurants at Mandarin Oriental, Tokyo were awarded Michelin stars in the 2015 guide – the only hotel in the city to achieve this honour. <u>Tapas Molecular Bar</u> received a sought-after Michelin star in the latest guide, while <u>Signature</u> serving contemporary French cuisine maintained its single star status for the eighth time, and <u>Sense</u>, featuring contemporary Cantonese cuisine set against the city's dramatic skyline, also maintained its one-star Michelin status.

At Mandarin Oriental, Paris, the hotel's signature restaurant <u>Sur Mesure</u>, under Chef Thierry Marx stewardship, maintained its two Michelin star status in the 2014 *Michelin Guide*, bringing the current number of Michelin starred restaurants in the Group's portfolio to eleven, and the number of stars to sixteen.

"We are truly delighted to once again receive these prestigious accolades," said David Nicholls, the Group's Corporate Director of Food and Beverage. "It reflects the dedication to fine dining excellence that Mandarin Oriental hotels offer around the world."

The Group is committed to offering guests the finest and most exciting dining experiences at all of its hotels worldwide, and continues to appoint both home-grown and globally renowned culinary talent throughout its portfolio.



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About The Michelin Guide

Michelin has been in the business of evaluating and recommending restaurants and hotels for over a century. They employ full-time professional inspectors who anonymously visit restaurants and hotels, and evaluate them on a range of criteria, using an evaluation process that has been honed over time to identify consistently high-quality establishments to suit a range of budgets and across a range of styles and cuisines.

About Mandarin Oriental Hotel Group

Mandarin Oriental Hotel Group is the award-winning owner and operator of some of the most luxurious hotels, resorts and residences. Having grown from a well-respected Asian hotel company into a global brand, the Group now operates, or has under development, 45 hotels representing close to 11,000 rooms in 25 countries, with 20 hotels in Asia, ten in The Americas and 15 in Europe, Middle East and North Africa. In addition, the Group operates or has under development, 14 Residences at Mandarin Oriental connected to its properties.

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