

## news release

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### **THE CHARM OF BELA VISTA IS UNVEILED AT GRAND LAPA, MACAU**

[Grand Lapa, Macau](#) announced the opening of [Café Bela Vista](#) in June 2004, a charming new restaurant within the hotel that is reminiscent of the splendour of the historic former landmark, Hotel Bela Vista.

Once an enchanting boutique address and luxury Mandarin Oriental property, the Hotel Bela Vista was located amidst elegant landscaped gardens on the slope of Macau's tranquil Colinha da Penha overlooking the Praia Grande Bay. A part of the history of Macau since the late 1800's, Hotel Bela Vista underwent a multi-million dollar restoration in 1992 under the management of Mandarin Oriental Hotel Group. In March 1999, the hotel became the residence of the first Portuguese Consul General in Macau.

Within the new restaurant design, careful consideration of the former hotel's classic elegance and colonial architecture has been retained, ensuring Café Bela Vista reflects the authentic historical character of a traditional Portuguese family home. This is evident from the classic columns to the mosaic floors.

At the entrance of Café Bela Vista is a Portuguese mosaic stone pavement. The interiors include dark wood flooring, ceiling fans, chandeliers and wall sconces that take diners back to the main dining room of Hotel Bela Vista.

One of the highlights of Café Bela Vista is the spacious colonial veranda with columns and balustrades, complete with wicker chairs, Portuguese tile floors, palm trees, louvered shutters and white ceiling fans.

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An added feature of the restaurant includes an open kitchen with live cooking stations and a wide variety selection of Asian dishes. Behind this open kitchen is an eye-catching yellow painted granite wall which reflects the bright and warm façade of the hotel building. Café Bela Vista menu features popular Asian dishes as well as international favourites with authentic Macanese and Portuguese specialities such as Portuguese antipasto and cold cut platter with traditional delicacies including bacalhau balls, shrimp pies, octopus salad, curado serra cheese and marinated olives.

Café Bela Vista serves daily breakfast buffet, and enticing semi-buffet lunch with a selection of main courses as well as appetizers and dessert buffet, and sumptuous weekend seafood dinner buffet over weekends. Located on the 2<sup>nd</sup> level, the restaurant is open on Mondays to Thursdays from 6:30am to 3pm and 6pm to 10pm, Fridays to Sundays from 6:30am until 10pm. For reservations, please call +853 8793 3871.

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## **GRAND LAPA, MACAU UNVEILS THE NEWLY RENOVATED KAM LAI HEEN CHINESE RESTAURANT**

*Serving authentic Cantonese cuisine created by multi-award-winning chef*

[Grand Lapa, Macau](#) is delighted to unveil the newly renovated [Kam Lai Heen](#) restaurant. The restaurant serves authentic Cantonese cuisine created by Chef Tse Kwok On, Allan, formerly with Shang Palace, Shangri-La Hotel Kuala Lumpur and Summer Palace, Intercontinental Hotel Bangkok.

Located on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of Grand Lapa, Macau, Kam Lai Heen replaces the former, Michelin starred Tung Yee Heen, and was designed by multi-award-winning architectural company DNL, and has taken on a new look with a dramatic entrance decorated with gold flowers, petals and green crystals hanging from the ceiling to welcome guests. The stylish interior design offers the perfect balance of tradition and modernity, inspired by the *elegance and simplicity of traditional Chinese* handicrafts and artwork. By combining hand-stitched partitions, Chinese fresco printing and tailor-made crystal flower lighting with a palette of earth tones complemented by matt gold and jade green, an exquisite dining atmosphere has been created. The main dining room accommodates 80 guests with an additional eight VIP rooms for private dining, hosting from 6 to 12 guests.

“Kam Lai Heen will be the new jewel in town,” said Bede Barry, General Manager of Grand Lapa, Macau. “With its elegant new look and feel, combined with the talent of our Chinese chef team, the venue is destined to become a hot spot for business dining, private meetings and family gatherings.”

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**Kam Lai Heen Fact Sheet:**

Signature dishes:                   Double-boiled Sea Treasure Dumpling with Supreme Broth  
  Wok-fried Prawns with Mango & Mixed Vegetables  
  Steamed Fillet of Silver Cod in Oolong Tea Flavored Soup

Prices:                                   Dim Sum lunch from MOP 220 per person  
  Set Menu from MOP 690 per person  
  \* *An à la carte menu is also available*  
  \**All prices are subject to 10% service charge*

Operating hours:                   11am to 2.30pm - Lunch  
  6 to 10pm - Dinner

Number of seats:                   175

Number of VIP Rooms:   8

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## **GRAND LAPA MACAU INTRODUCES NAAM THAI RESTAURANT**

[NAAM Thai Restaurant](#) was opened in January 2003, the first Thai Restaurant in Macau with international standard. Situated in the Grand Lapa Resort by the swimming pool, this intimate 60-seat restaurant is bright and the ambience is casual in contemporary Thai surroundings. It features floor-to-ceiling glass panel walls overlooking the tropical garden. A skylight at the centre of the restaurant adds to its lightness, and beneath this is a beautiful water feature recalling the name of the restaurant – NAAM, a Thai word for water.

Everything you see at the table comes from Thailand, including part of the staff and kitchen team in the restaurant. They have been trained at our sister hotel, The Oriental, Bangkok – one of the best hotels in the world, creating beautiful and authentic Thai delicacies.

Born and educated in Thailand, Executive Thai Chef Chatsorn Pratoomma (commonly known as Chef Sorn) brings to NAAM extensive culinary experience gained from major international hotels and restaurants in Thailand since 1998. Most recently she worked for renowned hotel in Bangkok for six years before joining Grand Lapa, Macau. While maintaining the favourite signature dishes, Chef Sorn promised to bring advocates of NAAM some excitements with her new menu.

In the menu, it features all the Thai favourites from different regions from Yam Som-O (herbed pomelo salad with chicken and prawns) to Tom Yam Goong (spicy prawn soup with lemongrass), and Phad Phed Gare (stir-fried lamb with red curry paste and eggplants) to Pla-Ga Pong Nueng Samoon Prai (steamed fish with assorter Thai herbs sauce), all prepared to a wonderful standard. We also feature a special menu of infused Thai teas, including lemongrass tea and the traditional Thai iced tea.

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NAAM Thai Restaurant has its own entrance to the side of the Resort, next to the car park, for the convenience of non-hotel guests. It is open from 12pm to 2.30pm and from 6.30pm to 10.30pm, closed on Monday. For reservations and enquiries, please call +853 8793 4818.

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## **GRAND LAPA MACAU INTRODUCES VASCO -- A STYLISH LOUNGE AND BAR**

Grand Lapa, Macau announced the opening of [Vasco](#) in September 2006. This tranquil lounge and vibrant bar is the ideal rendezvous for light snacks and cocktails.

Situated on the mezzanine floor overlooking the hotel lobby, Vasco is a place to see and be seen. With its contemporary design, Vasco blends perfectly with the lobby's classical architecture. The lounge décor features large upholstered lounge chairs in rich purples and greens, and giant silver-framed mirrors featuring the artwork of renowned British artist, Richard Winkworth. A lively elevated bar with timber floors and floor-to-ceiling windows overlooking Avenida da Amizade provide an additional focal point.

The lounge is named for Vasco da Gama, the famous Portuguese navigator who was the first European to journey by sea to India. In 1499, he started his epochal voyage with four vessels, rounded the Cape of Good Hope, continued up the east coast of Africa to Malindi and sailed across the Indian Ocean to Calicut. This voyage opened up a way for Europe to reach the wealth of the Indies and gained great riches from the spice trade. Today, his memory and spirit live on in Vasco.

Vasco is open on Mondays to Thursdays from 6:30pm to 12am, Fridays and Saturdays from 6pm to 2am and Sundays from 6pm to 12am. For reservations and enquiries, please call +853 8793 3831, email to [glmfm-vasco@mohg.com](mailto:glmfm-vasco@mohg.com) or visit [www.mandarinoriental.com/grandlapa](http://www.mandarinoriental.com/grandlapa).



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### **About Grand Lapa, Macau**

Ideally located near the Macau-Hong Ferry Terminal and Macau International Airport, [Grand Lapa, Macau](#) is the only resort hotel set in the city centre that offers superior facilities for both business and leisure travellers. Spread across 15,000 square metres, the [416-room](#) hotel boasts [three restaurants and a bar](#) presenting international cuisine as well as Asian delights, world-class [spa](#), fitness facilities, a supervised children's centre and a 10-metre rock climbing tower.

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