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MANDARIN ORIENTAL RITZ, MADRID – FANTASTIC FACTS

With a recently completed meticulous restoration that celebrates César Ritz's pioneering spirit, a prestigious central location, five restaurants and bars overseen by one of Spain's most celebrated chefs, and exceptional leisure and wellness facilities, Mandarin Oriental Ritz, Madrid is the city's most luxurious hotel.

Fantastic Facts

- In April 2021, the hotel completed the most extensive restoration in its 110-year history.
- The hotel was designed and built under the supervision of legendary hotelier César Ritz, who also masterminded the Ritz hotels in Paris and London.
- Spanish architect Rafael de La-Hoz and French designers Gilles & Boissier were instrumental in the restoration of the hotel, maintaining the hotel's unique character, encapsulated in the Belle-Époque style of the original building.
- Lost for 80 years, the crystal canopy ceiling was carefully restored according to César Ritz's original drawings and plans.
- The gastronomic restaurant's private dining room, Condesa Masslov, is named after the nickname used by the famous spy, Margaretha Geertruida Zelle, better known as Mata Hari, for her reservation at the hotel in 1916.
- All of the hotel's leather details are made of leather from Córdoba, the city famous for its leatherwork. Each piece has been tailor-made and handcrafted to preserve its delicate nuances and to guarantee its beauty and uniqueness.
- The Eye, the floating eye-shaped staircase made of metal and wood is an homage to a woman's eye.

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- The beautiful Royal suite retains its original location on the 1st floor. When the hotel was first built, elevators were unusual and so, Royals were not asked to walk to higher floors. As well as royalty, the suite has hosted a range of illustrious names throughout history including, Yves Saint-Laurent, the Emperor of Japan and actress Nicole Kidman.
- The ceilings in the Turret suites are made of mica, a mineral with mother of pearl reflections, which gives a golden glow to the room and the feeling of an ever-changing space.
- All bathroom walls are made of dolomite marble stone from Greece. Its high content of calcium makes this stone especially white, with a glossy, opaline glow that produces a bright and cocooning effect.
- The hotel is situated within the “Golden Triangle of Art”, an area defined by the most important museums in the city – Prado, Thyssen-Bornemisza and Reina Sofía Museum of Modern Art.
- A well-known cultural symbol of Spain, the hotel’s signature hotel fan is made of fine cream coloured lace, designed with a multitude of gilt and silver flowers and foliage, mounted on mother of pearl sticks.
- The smart and timeless uniforms of the hotel’s Guest Relations agents in the Lobby were designed by renowned fashionista Jorge Vázquez, who is also the creative mind behind Pertegaz. He was awarded as Best Young designer by L’Oréal in Pasarela Cibeles 2005. Before creating his own firm JV, he worked for Loewe and El Corte Inglés.

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- Paula Anta is the name behind the Gallery of Portraits in Pictura, the hotel's museum-inspired wall. As an artist, Paula's pictures are full of poetry and evoke a thoughtful, dreamy presence. Pictura features a classic gallery of Old Masters' portraits with a contemporary twist. In this stunning collection, she adapts the lighting and colour palette of Prado painters to photograph contemporary subjects. Subtle suggestions of historical costume lend a sense of timelessness to the photos without diminishing their modernity. The sitters are all Madrid artists and creators, both well-known and emerging, working a range of métiers. Thus, the portrait collection looks back to those who moulded the Spanish tradition while also looking forward to those shaping the arts today. The ensemble hangs in a style emulating traditional noble picture galleries.

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