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Voyage to a Blooming Garden Afternoon Tea, Jointly Presented By Marco Polo Hongkong Hotel and Castelbel Porto



Hong Kong, 24 Jul 2018 – Lobby Lounge of Marco Polo Hongkong Hotel is delighted to collaborate with Castelbel Porto, Portugal’s leading brand in home fragrances and personal care, to present the **“Voyage to a Blooming Garden Afternoon Tea”** from 26 July to 30 November 2018.

Established in 1999, Castelbel Porto is an award-winning Portuguese manufacturer of luxury home fragrances and personal care collections. Carefully hand-crafted according to traditional methods, Castelbel Porto collections combine stylish designs with a wide range of exclusive fragrances. Inspired by the idyllic landscape of the Douro river valley in northern Portugal, the collections capture the aroma, colours and ambience of Portugal where the warm sun and blue ocean nourish the soul and comfort the spirit.

For almost two decades, Castelbel Porto has been delighting customers across Europe and the



Americas, as well as in Asia – now in Hong Kong, Japan, South Korea, Singapore and Taiwan. Their loyal patrons include celebrities, artists, several royal families in Europe, and even the Vatican. To date, there are more than 280 leading and luxury hotels and resorts in Portugal and Europe currently offering Castebel Porto collections. Since March 2018, TAP, the national carrier of Portugal, selected Castebel Porto collections to be offered on board for its Executive and First Class passengers.

Marco Polo Hongkong Hotel's talented pastry chef incorporates Portuguese inspiration and Castebel Porto's design-centric floral elements into the enchanting afternoon tea. Consisting of 10 sweet items and four tea sandwiches, "Voyage to a Blooming Garden Afternoon Tea" features colourful butterflies and flowers with the signature fragrances of Castebel Porto. Highlighted items include **White Chocolate Spirulina Mousse**, the baby-blue mousse in the shape of a little soap easily catches guests' attention. Made with superfood spirulina, this sweet twists the concept of desserts to offer rich health benefits.

Crafted from smooth New Zealand cream cheese and infused with the flavour and scent of lavender, the **Lavender Blueberry Cheese Cake** takes guests' senses on a floral flight of fancy. The **Mango and Jasmine Tart with Pink Pepper** wins hearts with its light, fresh flavours and a buttery, crisp pastry base. Chocolate and raspberry toppings bring extra texture and indulgence to the smooth tart.

In addition to coffee and tea, guests can choose healthy spa water infused with fresh fruits, herbs and vegetables to enjoy with the sandwiches and sweets. To further enhance the Portuguese element, the two-tiered Nova tea set tray and Aparte tray are showcase pieces by another of Portugal's leading, contemporary brands, Costa Nova, which has been dedicated to manufacturing and designing exquisite tableware and accessories made of fine stoneware since 1998.

To signify the partnership, a Castebel Porto Blooming Garden pop-up kiosk will be unveiled in the Lobby of Marco Polo Hongkong Hotel to provide all dining and room guests with the most convenient location to pick up seasonal souvenirs and indulgent treats within the hotel from now until the end of November 2018. Upon patronage of the special tea set, Lobby Lounge guests may enjoy exclusive 20% savings when purchasing any item from the Castebel Porto collections at the floral pop-up kiosk.

The "Voyage to a Blooming Garden Afternoon Tea" is priced at \$488 for two persons and \$368 for one person. The tea set is available daily from 3:00pm to 5:30pm from 26 July until 30 November 2018 at the Lobby Lounge of Marco Polo Hongkong Hotel. For enquiries or reservations, please contact 2113 3919.

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Time: Daily 3:00pm to 5:30pm



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*All prices are subject to a 10% service charge

Lobby Lounge

Address : Lobby Level, Marco Polo Hongkong Hotel, Harbour City, Tsim Sha Tsui

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Note to Editors:

About Marco Polo Hongkong Hotel

Situated in the heart of Tsim Sha Tsui, Marco Polo Hongkong Hotel is part of Harbour City – Hong Kong's largest shopping complex, housing over 450 shops, including the world's leading luxury brands and a myriad of dining options.

Comprised of 665 luxurious guestrooms and suites, many of which offer breathtaking waterfront views of celebrated Victoria Harbour, the hotel also offers the ultimate in personalised service with The Continental Club. All rooms are well-equipped with complimentary handy smartphone and Wi-Fi with deluxe amenities. Within a short walk are landmarks such as the Hong Kong Museum of Art, Space Museum, Hong Kong Cultural Centre, and 1881 Heritage. The hotel is also on the doorstep of Star Ferry terminal and MTR subway stations.

Marco Polo Hongkong Hotel features an outdoor swimming pool, a lobby lounge, a gym, an all-day dining outlet, Cafe Marco on Level 1, featuring a wide variety of gourmet cuisines from all over the world and our renowned authentic Italian restaurant, Cucina. The hotel has 14 function rooms; the largest venue can accommodate up to 430 guests, with the dedicated service of our professional Banquet Services Team.

The hotel is part of Wharf Hotels, a wholly owned subsidiary of The Wharf (Holdings) Ltd, a Hong Kong-listed company with core business interests in property and investments in communications and container-terminal operations. Other Wharf Hotels properties include Gateway Hotel and Prince Hotel in Hong Kong, as well as hotels in mainland China and the Philippines.

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