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Air Canada's new leisure airline – rouge



Pegasus Airlines



italo high speed trains

Air Canada Unveils New Leisure Airline

Air Canada has unveiled its new leisure airline, marking a milestone in the transformation of Canada's flag carrier to compete in the growing leisure travel sector. Air Canada rouge will leverage the strengths of Air Canada's extensive network, operational expertise and frequent flyer reward programme in order to offer Canadians great value for their vacation travel. For its inaugural 2013 season, Air Canada rouge will introduce new routes not currently operated by Air Canada to Venice, Italy and Edinburgh, Scotland. In addition, Air Canada seasonal services from Toronto and Montreal to Athens, Greece will be flown by the leisure carrier. Similarly, existing Air Canada flights operated in cooperation with Air Canada Vacations to Cuba, the Dominican Republic, Jamaica and Costa Rica will be operated by Air Canada rouge effective July 2013. **ha**

New Frontier Of Integrated Mobility

Cathay Pacific Airways, NTV, and SEA have joined in a groundbreaking agreement that will offer passengers traveling from Florence and Bologna to Hong Kong, and all the other destinations of the largest network of Cathay Pacific, a new integrated service mobility via italo high-speed trains.

Specifically, Cathay Pacific will offer a free pick on the Italian high-speed trains for passengers departing from the railway station of Florence and Bologna to Milan Porta Garibaldi station. Here passengers, depending on the class of travel, find a car or minivan with driver who will accompany them to Terminal 1 of Malpensa airport.

Through this partnership with NTV and the invaluable support of SEA, taking an intercontinental flight with Cathay Pacific becomes even easier for those who live outside the Milan area.

With a view to integrated transport merges, the rail of Florence and Bologna operated by NTV, combines intercontinental flights to Hong Kong, the "Gate of Orient."

Travellers can then take advantage of a complete circuit of services facilitating one closer to Milan Malpensa and decreasing the waiting time at the airport. **ha**

Pegasus Airlines Launches Flights Between Dubai And Istanbul

Continuing to expand its network, Pegasus Airlines has launched scheduled flights between Dubai and Istanbul. Dubai-Istanbul flights started on October 18, with guests being able to fly to Istanbul every Monday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday.

Pegasus guests can make 34 international connections from Dubai: Almaty, Amsterdam, Stockholm, Beirut, Milan, Bologna, Brussels, Basel, Batumi, Cologne, Copenhagen, Donetsk, Dusseldorf, St. Etienne/Lyon, North Cyprus, Roma, Kharkiv, Tahrán, Krasnodar, Lviv, Marseille, Munich, Omsk, Paris, Bucharest, Pristina, Skopje, London, Stuttgart, Berlin, Tbilisi, Tel Aviv, Vienne, Zurich and can also make connections to Adana, Yzmir, Kayseri, Antalya, Batman, Bodrum, Diyarbakyr, Dalaman, Erzincan, Ankara, Elazya, Panlyurfa, Gaziantep, Hatay, Konya, Malatya, Samsun, Sivas, Trabzon, and Van in Turkey. **ha**



Viking River Cruises' Viking Freya sailing the Rhine

Another First For Malaysia's Berjaya Air

Tagged as Malaysia's Getaway Airline, Berjaya Air is giving travellers a convenient way to experience yet another part of stunning Thailand. Beginning 18 November 2012, the airline has begun offering direct flights to the charming seaside town of Hua Hin.

Hua Hin has long been the summer retreat of the Thai royal family and it offers family oriented fun, great recreation and a wonderful introduction to Thailand.

Berjaya Air now flies to Hua Hin three times a week (Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday), making it the best option for golfers wishing to make the best use of their time as they play on some of the most notable courses in Southeast Asia.

Berjaya Air has long operated in a niche market which flies holiday goers to some of Malaysia's best beach destinations, including Redang, Pangkor, Langkawi and Tioman. General Manager Adelie Lee shared that her team had been looking at Hua Hin as a destination for a year before negotiations to use the Hua Hin airport were underway. "Hua Hin has a lot to offer. Golfers can choose from world renowned courses like Black Mountain, Banyan and Spring Field, while families can try the recreational parks such as Black Mountain Water Park."

The flights have the added advantage of departing from Subang. The route is serviced by ATR72s. Travellers get refreshments with their bundled tickets, meaning no hidden charges. Certainly something to try out this new year! **ha**

Virgin America Saturdays

Virgin America announced that it is expanding its offering of upscale, low-fare flights with the launch of new weekly nonstop service between Palm Springs International Airport (PSP) and New York's John F. Kennedy International Airport (JFK). Virgin America first launched seasonal flight service into the Palm Springs market in December 2011 with a daily nonstop flight from SFO and a daily "same plane" through flight from JFK to PSP. Just in time for winter getaways, the airline is now expanding its schedule with the only nonstop flight service between PSP and the New York area. **ha**



Berjaya Air's ATR72

Viking River Cruises Announces Myanmar Itinerary

The spirit of exploration at the heart of Viking River Cruises continues to inspire new journeys for the world's leading river cruise line. Viking has announced a new 16-day itinerary in Myanmar (Burma) and Thailand—Memories of Mandalay—marking the company's first-ever offering on the majestic Irrawaddy River.

Ancient temples and exotic scenery serve as the backdrop for Viking's new 16-day journey which begins in the lively metropolis of Bangkok, where guests will explore the city's colorful landmarks, including the floating markets on the Chao Phraya River and the famous Grand Palace. The land portion of the itinerary continues in Yangon, the former Burmese capital also known as Rangoon. Guests will admire the city's colonial-era architecture along Strand Road and historic Buddhist temples, some thought to be more than 2,500 years old. Guests

will also have a chance to visit a local marketplace and to see Shwedagon Pagoda, sometimes called the Golden Pagoda, the most sacred Buddhist pagoda for the Burmese.

A tribute to the grand tradition of riverboat exploration in Southeast Asia, the newly refurbished Viking Mandalay offers guests the chance to experience the diverse destinations along the Irrawaddy River from the comfort of one of the newest and most beautifully designed vessels in the region. From the colonial frontier post of Thayetmyo and the Italian-built forts of Minhla Et Gwechaung, to the Golden temple of Mya-Tha-Lun Pagoda in Magway and the monasteries of Sale and Bagan, guests will visit the region's most magnificent sites. Passengers will also gain a sense for everyday life in Burma in the pottery villages of Yandabo and an understanding of its ancient past in the former Burmese capitals of Ava and Amarapura. **ha**

There's something endearingly familiar about the brand, spanking new E&O Residences Kuala Lumpur. Visitors who have enjoyed the cozy wood-panelled rooms of the iconic Eastern & Oriental Hotel Penang may recognize it as a home coming of sorts, as the E&O Residences radiates the same warmth and welcome.

City Living At Its Best

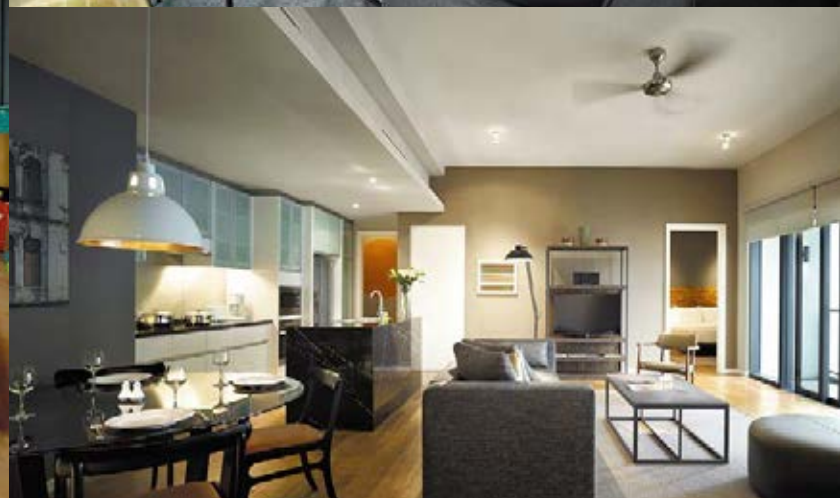
E&O Residences Kuala Lumpur



Above (left to right): E&O Residences Kuala Lumpur's chic facade; The outdoor area is surrounded by lush greenery; The business centre is comprehensive and high-tech.

The luxury lifestyle serviced apartment managed by Eastern & Oriental Berhad was launched in mid December 2012 and offers 200 units of uber modern apartment suites for long-stay guests or travellers desiring a more personal way of living while on holiday. Offering the same fresh, heady bathroom amenities as its Penang associate, the Residences goes all out in delivering the best of a home away from home, complete with in-suite electronic safes, and 24-hour security.

Breathtakingly designed, the property is a haven for jangled senses, offering a quiet serenity courtesy of wonderful landscaping, quirky outdoor furniture, chic giant swings, and trellises which help muffle the sound of the outside world. A meditation and yoga room, state-of-the-art gym, Jacuzzis with their own private gazebos and outdoor infinity pool give the Residences the air of a luxe resort. Its proximity to the Golden Triangle and CBD of Kuala Lumpur, however, makes it perfect as a business base, with its business centre services and efficient concierge services. **ha**



Above (clockwise from the top): The spacious designer lobby; The 1-bedroom suite living room; The 2-bedroom suite living room; The children's playroom.

The Report Card

Location: Located on Jalan Tengah, it is just enough off the main Jalan Sultan Ismail thoroughfare to give a semblance of exclusive gated community living, but with all the lures of the central business district of Kuala Lumpur just a street away. Note, however that in view of the horrendous traffic situation at rush hour, walking to appointments or commuting by Light Rail Transport may be a better option than driving or hailing a cab.

Accommodation: Most possibly the most superior service suites in any class in Kuala Lumpur, E&O Residences Kuala Lumpur offers a choice of one (1131 sq ft) or two-bedroom (1442 sq ft) suites which echo its sister property, Eastern & Oriental Hotel Penang's his and her sinks and bathtub. Washing machine, dryer, microwave, oven, induction stove, pots, cutlery are all provided, along with generous storage space in the kitchen. Units also enjoy a home entertainment system, iPod docking station and wifi access, although the two-device cap per unit may handicap the multiple-device, constantly wired guest.

Food: The Residences are served by Delicious café, which offers all-day dining. Other restaurants, eating places and hawkers are just a street away.

Kid-friendly activities: The children's playroom is commendable and of the same calibre as some of Malaysia's best resort kids' clubs, with plush toys, crawl tunnels and indoor play equipment for a wide range of ages. Care is taken in the maintenance of the playroom and housekeeping staff are diligent about hygiene and orderliness. The outdoor playground is fun yet challenging, with slides and climbing vines which are located in an area paved with safety matting for soft falls.

Your Reviewer: Editor-in-Chief Karen-Michaela Tan travelled with her private secretary, photographer husband and four-and-a-half year old daughter and found the spaciousness of the two-bedroom living suite impressive. A whole day can be passed in the Residences, moving from breakfast at Delicious, to a swim in the infinity pool, a gym session and then meal preparation in the comprehensive kitchen. Alas, however, for the two device cap which hampers multiple users at the same time.

A tingle runs up one's spine driving up the lushly landscaped drive of Centara Grand Beach Resort & Villas Hua Hin. Pulling into the portico, the tingle develops into a whole body glow as you are greeted by legendary Thai hospitality, at a property which is just as legendary. Centara Grand Beach Resort is the oldest hotel in Hua Hin, the beach retreat of the Thai royal family for decades. Previously known as Sofitel Centara Grand Resort & Villas Hua Hin, the resort's new name, which came into effect in January 2012, reflects its continuing commitment towards excellent hospitality and a holiday experience bar none.

All Things Bright And Beautiful

Centara Grand Beach Resort & Villas Hua Hin



The gorgeous property spills over with Old World charm, from luxurious rooms replete with fabulous bespoke bath amenities and Thai silk bed runners, Jacuzzis in the suites, and rooms which open up onto some lovely views. The sheer size of the resort would be overwhelming if not for the way it has been artfully carved out into different wings and sections, with pool areas serving individual wings and lovely walkways and manicured grounds which invite slow ambles and a heightened appreciation for topiary.

History buffs will love the fact that the 90-year-old resort is an essential part of the historical tapestry of Hua Hin, having opened in October 1922 and celebrated its grand opening on January 1 1923 as the Railway Hotel. Now a member of the Leading Hotels of the World, the property dates back to the time when Hua Hin itself was evolving into Thailand's first beach resort, due largely to the railway which was built from Bangkok to Malaysia. The railway accessibility meant the aristocrats were now able to move more speedily and comfortably to Hua Hin where they could take in the sea breeze and sun.

The traffic on the southern line to Malaysia warranted the building of a hotel which Royal Siamese Railways (RSR) commissioned Italian architect A Rigazzi to build. The Railway Hotel initially had only 14 guestrooms, but it was very well appointed and furnished and had an excellent standard of service to cater for its wealthy Thai and foreign guests.

By 1928 the hotel's reputation was international and in order to accommodate the growing number of visitors to Hua Hin, RSR added a new wing of 13 rooms, which were built to the exact same design as the existing building. After World War Two more guestrooms were added, along with three restaurants, a downstairs bar, and a lobby with a panoramic view of Hua Hin's glorious bay.

The value of the Railway Hotel as a building of architectural and historic interest was fully acknowledged by the Thai Government when in 1986 Central Group, the parent company of Centara Hotels & Resorts, acquired the property.

The much-loved historical building has been meticulously preserved, with all the subsequent additions being designed to blend perfectly with the existing structure and to maintain the air of elegance and leisure into which the hotel was born.

It is into this history that guests of this century are welcomed, and new love affairs with a 90-year-old doyenne continue to blossom. **ha**

The Report Card

Location: Hua Hin is a peaceful, idyllic seaside town, with enough nightlife to be exciting, but not so much that it becomes exhausting. It is a microcosm of the best of Thailand, and Centara Grand Beach Resort & Villas Hua Hin is the perfect location to savour it from. Centrally located near markets and retail areas, it is also a good jump-off point to the golf courses and vineyards which have made Hua Hin famous.

Accommodation: The rooms are nothing short of excellent, designed to give an enveloping sense of comfort and welcome via the dark wood embellishments, muted lighting and luxurious bedding. The duplex suites feature two exclusive living areas with ensuite bathrooms and a Jacuzzi in the master bedroom, as well as a walk-in wardrobe and work area.

Spa: Spa Cenvaree, one of Thailand's most luxurious and innovative spa brands is present in this iconic property and offers a mind-boggling spa menu which covers every aspect of beauty, wellness, holistic healing and rejuvenation.

Kid-friendly Activities: The brand-new Kid's Room offers a safe haven for the little ones, while the children's pools and playground gives them a space all for themselves.

Your Reviewers: The parents of Editor-in-Chief Karen-Michaela Tan are quite unlikely to be hitting up the all-night clubs and bars of Bangkok, and so were more than pleased to be ensconced in the luxury of this warm, welcoming property after trawling the floating markets in the day. The Tan family flew Berjaya Air to Hua Hin. Berjaya Air operates the only direct flights from Subang to Hua Hin three times weekly.



Left page: Centara Grand Beach Resort & Villas Hua Hin offers one of the best beaches in town. Above (left to right): SPA Cenvaree; The Duplex Suite Garden Wing; More than one pool gives guests a choice of views.

Hotel Borobudur Jakarta

Spanning across 23 acres of tropical gardens, offering 695 rooms with extensive recreational facilities, Hotel Borobudur Jakarta is truly a five-star. Located in central Jakarta, close to business districts, shopping malls and government offices, the hotel is about 30 minutes away from Soekarno-Hatta International Airport.

Hotel Borobudur Jakarta

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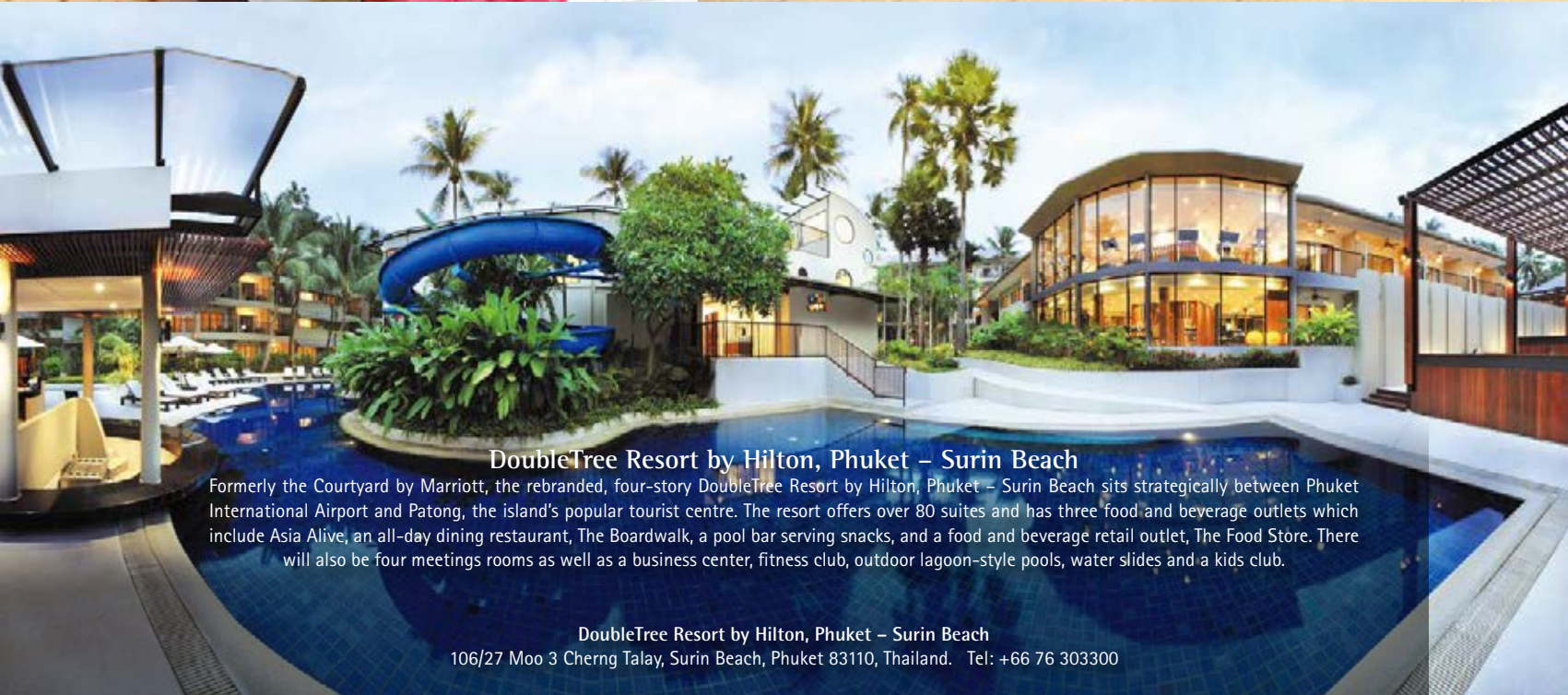


Amari Coral Beach Phuket, Thailand

Amari, the hotel and resort group celebrating the colours and rhythms of modern Asian hospitality introduces the Amari Coral Beach Phuket. The spectacular setting of the resort is matched only by the exceptional service and elegant comfort it affords its guests. Sitting on a secluded headland at the southern corner of Patong, Phuket's most popular beach, and surrounded by 68 acres of forest, the resort boasts stunning views of the picturesque bay. Recently fully renovated, the superb service and idyllic setting of this luxurious resort will provide guests with a truly unforgettable holiday experience.

Amari Coral Beach Phuket

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DoubleTree Resort by Hilton, Phuket – Surin Beach

Formerly the Courtyard by Marriott, the rebranded, four-story DoubleTree Resort by Hilton, Phuket – Surin Beach sits strategically between Phuket International Airport and Patong, the island's popular tourist centre. The resort offers over 80 suites and has three food and beverage outlets which include Asia Alive, an all-day dining restaurant, The Boardwalk, a pool bar serving snacks, and a food and beverage retail outlet, The Food Store. There will also be four meetings rooms as well as a business center, fitness club, outdoor lagoon-style pools, water slides and a kids club.

DoubleTree Resort by Hilton, Phuket – Surin Beach

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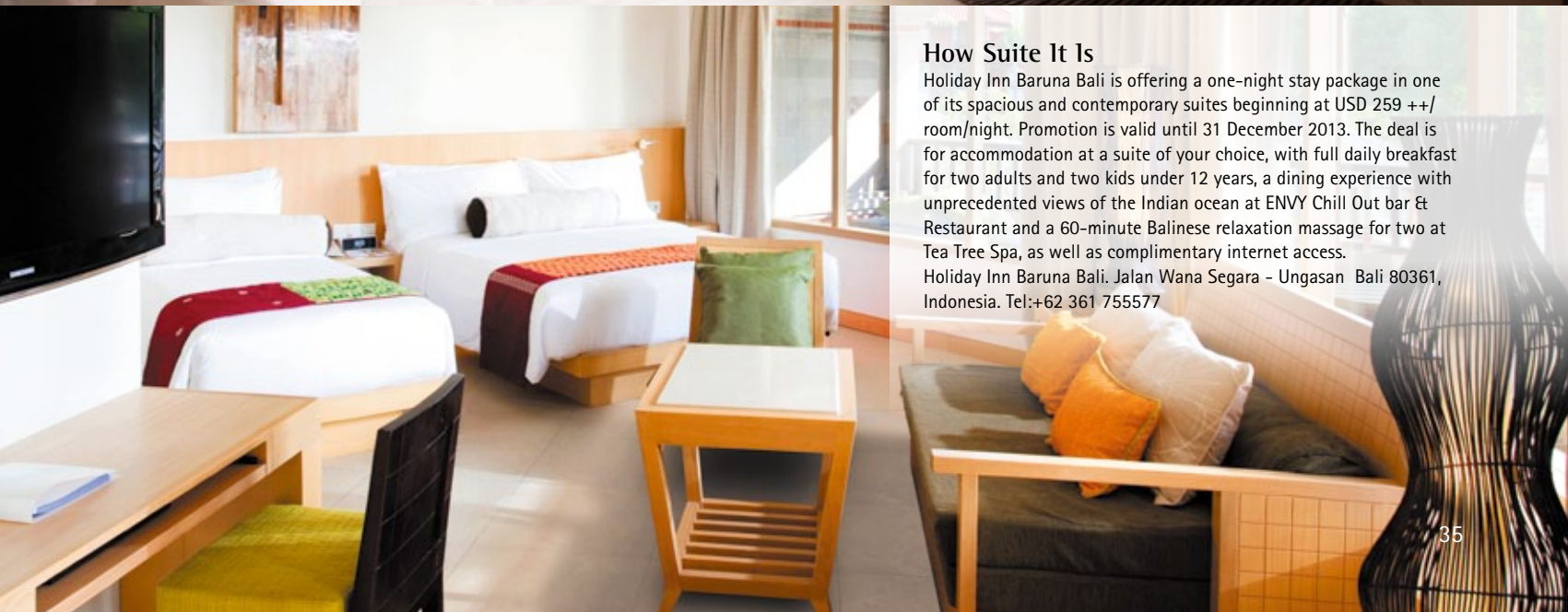
Sea, Sun And Centara

Centara Hotels & Resorts is offering a beach holiday package at selected oceanside resorts that includes the option of three or five nights accommodation along with a number of benefits designed to ensure a value-added holiday. The Life's a Beach package is available at Centara properties in Krabi, Phuket, Hua Hin, Samui, Koh Chang and Trat. Valid from now through to 31 March 2013, the cost of the package varies according to the property, room type and the season, but always includes daily buffet breakfast, a 60-minute massage or spa treatment for two, complimentary roundtrip airport transfers, welcome cocktails, and a beach bag as a practical souvenir. Examples of the rates for a five-night stay are Baht 20,990 in a Tropical Suite at Centara Chaan Talay Resort & Villas Trat, Baht 25,600 in a Superior room at Centara Koh Chang Tropicana Resort, and Baht 41,120 in a Superior room at Centara Grand Beach Resort & Villas Hua Hin from 11 January until 28 February 2013. For more information and reservations, visit www.centarahotelsresorts.com/package/LifeBeach.asp



Suite Temptation

Goodwood Park Hotel, one of the oldest hospitality establishments in Singapore, is pleased to introduce the Suite Temptation and Weekend room packages – perfect for a luxurious treat or relaxing vacation. Uniquely situated on the top of a hillock surrounded by lush landscaped gardens in the shopping and entertainment hub of Orchard and Scotts Road, Goodwood Park Hotel provides a quiet retreat for her discerning guests even with the hustle and bustle of the city at her doorstep. Much of the hotel's original beauty has been faithfully restored and her majestic air artfully accentuated with fluted columns, delicate woodworks, decorative plasterwork and graceful archways. The Suite Temptation package is available from now until 28 February 2013 while the Weekend package will be an ongoing offer until further notice. For enquiries and reservations, guests may call Room Reservations at (65) 6730 1811 / 1844 or email rmresv@goodwoodparkhotel.com.



How Suite It Is

Holiday Inn Baruna Bali is offering a one-night stay package in one of its spacious and contemporary suites beginning at USD 259 ++/room/night. Promotion is valid until 31 December 2013. The deal is for accommodation at a suite of your choice, with full daily breakfast for two adults and two kids under 12 years, a dining experience with unprecedented views of the Indian ocean at ENVY Chill Out bar & Restaurant and a 60-minute Balinese relaxation massage for two at Tea Tree Spa, as well as complimentary internet access. Holiday Inn Baruna Bali. Jalan Wana Segara – Ungasan Bali 80361, Indonesia. Tel: +62 361 755577

Imperial In Japan

Tokyo usually doesn't conjure thoughts of tranquility and resplendent natural settings, but the new Palace Hotel Tokyo debuted in 2012 as a bounty of refreshing contrasts – bridging the megacity's reputation as an adrenaline-fuelled business hub with the serenity of the country's much loved Imperial Palace gardens.

Opened in May 2012, Japan's most ambitious new hotel has been garnering recognition from some of Asia's most distinguished arbiters of style, a trend that's gathering momentum worldwide as its design attributes and indigenous appeal asserts itself on foreign shores.

With a history that spans over 51 years in the same location, creating the entirely new Palace Hotel Tokyo called for an intermingling of culture and design that would seamlessly meld its long tradition of distinguished Japanese hospitality with contemporary aesthetics.

The overarching concept was to build a hotel with presence – one that would complement the beauty of its natural surroundings and the uniqueness of the country's heritage and do so with grace and elegance. **ha**



Life's Little Luxuries

New hospitality experiences to savour in the New Year

Langham Hospitality Group Enters Qingdao

International luxury hotel operator Langham Hospitality Group expands its foot print in China by announcing two properties – Langham Place and Eaton Luxe, Rio Carnival, Qingdao, marking the addition of its 18th and 19th hotels in the country.

Set amidst of the dynamic Rio Carnival – a new hub for luxury accommodation, dining, shopping and entertainment, Langham Place exemplifies the epitome of stimulating hospitality and Eaton Luxe offers the experience of a balanced lifestyle to discerning travellers.

The two hotels will feature a total of 700 elegantly appointed guestrooms, duplex villas and lofts in the twin towers; Michelin starred Chinese restaurants Ming Court and Yat Tung Heen; and the hotel group's signature spa brand – Chuan Spa which offers exclusive spa experiences based on the principles of Traditional Chinese Medicine. Each hotel will house two ballrooms and a host of function rooms with state-of-the-art facilities. **ha**





Conrad Seoul lobby

Smart Luxury Hotel In South Korea

Strategically located in Seoul's financial district in Yeouido, the Conrad Seoul, a five-star luxury hotel opened its doors on November 12, 2012 and features 434 spacious, designer rooms that provide guests with a contemporary and exotic experience by delivering modern sophistication and smart luxury.

Conrad Seoul occupies one of four towers in the IFC Seoul, the first large-scale multipurpose commercial venue in Yeouido, placing the hotel immediately adjacent to a world-class luxury shopping mall with a cineplex theater and direct access to the Yeouido subway station. Conrad Seoul will provide a luxurious and practical experience for every guest to rest, shop, experience culture and conduct business all under the same roof.

A key design highlight at the stylish 38-story Conrad Seoul is a 40-metre spiral staircase which connects floors one through five and seamlessly integrates into its surrounding environment while establishing a symbolic aesthetic tone that reaches throughout the entire hotel.

Exemplifying the hotel's Smart Luxury concept, Conrad Seoul will be the first hotel in Korea to implement a Smart In-room Multimedia Technology. Using Apple-based technology and offering an all-in-one multimedia hub and a Mac computer, guests will be able to surf the Internet, access Facebook and Wi-Fi access points or play personal content from his or her own iPad, iPhone, smartphone or laptop. Conrad Seoul's digital rooms will also allow for a customizable and personal space. [h](#)

Go (Coco)nuts

Upgrading and renovations at Centra Coconut Beach Resort Samui was completed by the year-end of 2012 to make this recent addition to Centara's value brand at the southwestern tip of Samui Island an outstanding destination resort.

The resort was added to the Centara Hotels & Resorts collection in July 2012 and the upgrading was to comply with the rebranding. One of the prime attractions is the new Cense by Spa Cenvaree, which offers quality spa facilities for guests who do not require lengthy treatment programmes. The beachside pool area has been remodelled along with the swim-up bar in the lagoon pool, and new outdoor seating has been provided for the lounge and the restaurant. Bicycles are being provided for guests who wish to explore the quiet surrounding areas of the island, and table tennis has been added to the leisure activities. Centra Coconut Beach Resort Samui is located on the secluded Thong Tanote Beach, on the southwestern tip of Koh Samui, with views across to Koh Tan and Koh Mutsum, two renowned diving and snorkelling spots. [h](#)



Centra Coconut's pool deck

Accor Rolls Out First ibis Styles Hotels In Malaysia

ACCOR, the leading international hotel operator in Asia-Pacific is ramping up its presence in Kuala Lumpur, the capital city of Malaysia with the debut of its premium economy brand – ibis Styles. Accor's non-standardized economy and design brand caters to both business and leisure travellers seeking for great value and an all-inclusive accommodation, which is packaged with breakfast and internet access.

ibis Styles Kuala Lumpur Fraser Business Park and ibis Styles Kuala Lumpur Cheras were launched in October 2012. The ibis Styles Kuala Lumpur Fraser Business Park combines convenience and comfort accommodation in the heart of Kuala Lumpur's newest shopping and lifestyle developments – Fraser Business Park in Sungei Besi, boasting direct access to Light Rail Transit (LRT) Chan Sow Lin Station for a hassle free commute to major business areas, shopping malls and attractions within Kuala Lumpur's Golden Triangle. The hotel is connected to the new Complex Metro Pudu offering a wide range of retail outlets and eatery choices.

Guests can enjoy the comfort of its 500 exquisitely-designed guestrooms, a restaurant, a bar, four meeting rooms, a swimming pool and a gym. This modern and stylish property is your complete stay, where accommodation includes buffet breakfast and complimentary WIFI. No hidden charges, making it irresistible for business and leisure guests. [ha](#)

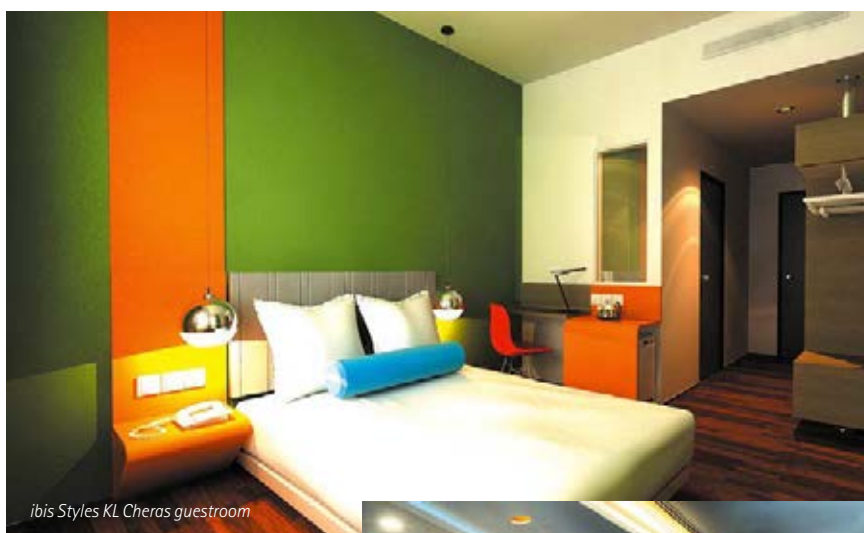
Pulling Weight In Vietnam

Accor, the largest international hotel operator in Asia-Pacific and Vietnam, announces the opening of Pullman Hanoi, the first Pullman brand hotel in Vietnam. Previously known as Hanoi Horizon Hotel, Pullman Hanoi recently completed a comprehensive refurbishment that transformed it into one of the city's most modern properties.

Pullman Hanoi has undergone a complete makeover, incorporating Pullman's unique brand personality.

The 242-room hotel has been outfitted with contemporary décor that captures the inspiration of the city with creative, colourful textures, while providing the comfort and functionality that suits every type of traveller. The spacious, comfortable and connected guest rooms facilitate guests whether they choose to relax, sleep, or work in the rooms.

For constant connectivity, the hotel provides free Wi-Fi internet access in rooms and all public areas. [ha](#)



ibis Styles KL Cheras guestroom



Pullman Hanoi lobby



ibis Styles KL Fraser Business Park lobby



Pullman Hanoi Hotel



Pullman Hanoi standard room

Regent Redefines Luxury Experiences

Located in the secluded bay of Cape Panwa next to its own private beach and looking out to the Andaman Sea, Regent Phuket Cape Panwa will offer a new luxury experience in a breathtaking location in Southern Thailand. A result of Regent's vision for establishing attractive and personable resorts in the most beautiful parts of the world, the resort will present a superb private retreat, sensitively designed to harmonize with one of the most enchanting locales on Earth. Regent Phuket, the first of Regent's several new concepts for forward-thinking luxury lifestyle destinations features 105 exquisite units comprising 35 Pool Villas, 48 Suites and 22 Pavilions. Pool Villas represent the ultimate in stylish indulgence with their own private outdoor pool and sun-lounge area overlooking the ocean, plus a 24-hour butler service. The resort is situated in a totally private bay yet offers easy access to major tourist attractions. Regent Phuket is 45 minutes from the International airport, 15 minutes away from Phuket Town and 30 minutes from Patong Beach. [ha](#)



Victoria's Best Public Course

As Australia's largest public access golf resort and a 'top 100' public golf course, the Yarrawonga Mulwala Golf Club Resort offers the keen golfer or the casual player three well-designed, well-manicured, immaculate public golf courses in Victoria, each with their own special appeal set amongst a beautiful natural landscape. The resort boasts two 18 holes courses, the Murray Course and the Lake Course, and the 9 hole Executive Course.

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Worth A King's Ransom

Kings' Island Golf Resort is 36 km away from Hanoi. The arrival experience is unlike other golf resorts, simply because guests are whisked away by speedboat across Dong Mo Lake to an island of tranquil beauty. A 40-minute drive will take golfers to Kings' Island Golf Resort where they will enjoy impeccable service, state of the art facilities and play golf on what some of the best designers around the world have called the best golf course in Vietnam and even Southeast Asia.

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The Ross Watson Challenge

Kota Permai Golf & Country Club never fails to pleasantly surprise the first-timer on this magnificent Ross Watson masterpiece carved out of an oil palm estate. The charisma of Kota Permai is that it makes golfers want to come back again and again to enjoy what is popularly described as the best golfing experiences in the region. Kota Permai has set new standards in overall presentation of a country club. Its five-star golf course, banquet and sporting facilities, highly rated service and hospitality have made the club an institution of its own standing. Since it was opened for play in March 1998, Kota Permai has won numerous awards for excellence, among them being Best Course, Best Hole, Best Maintenance and Best Greens.

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First evian Spa In Japan

With panoramic views of the Imperial Palace gardens, an Alpine-inspired design and a pristine, white ambiance that is at once remarkably serene and very Japanese, evian SPA TOKYO introduces a current of French savoir faire into the city's fast-developing spa culture with its debut at Palace Hotel Tokyo.

A first for Japan, the 1,200-square-metre facility features five treatment rooms and a spa suite (each aptly named after a peak in the Alps), heated baths, a marble sauna, cold plunge pool, dry sauna, reclining baths and separate men's and women's relaxation lounges.

While urban spas sometimes struggle to evoke serenity amidst congestion, Palace Hotel's incomparable location is a willing collaborator, lending inimitable views of the Imperial Palace gardens and moats and, on a clear day, mystical Mt. Fuji in the distance, to reinforce the natural connections.

The spa's treatment menu cultivates similar themes, with facials, body scrubs, therapies, journeys and rituals that celebrate celestial restoration, mineral enrichment, precious nourishment and renewed vitality. Products by Paris-based Omnisens and Anne Semonin are incorporated throughout.

With a price range to serve as a lure to the hesitant and a menu designed to cater to both newcomers and avid spa enthusiasts alike, Palace Hotel aims to make waves in Tokyo as the city's most accessible, high-end wellness experience. **ha**

Middle Eastern Pampering

With a focus on indulgent relaxation, Anantara Spa at the Eastern Mangroves Hotel & Spa by Anantara in Abu Dhabi pampers guests with journeys of therapeutic sensuality. Designed with separate lobby entrances for men and women, ten single and double treatment suites are joined by a traditional Turkish hammam with two private scrub rooms, three Vichy shower rooms, an LPG room for lipomassage and endermologie, as well as a hair and beauty salon. Choose from an extensive treatment menu which incorporates indigenous wellness wisdom, Asia's timeless traditions and innovative contemporary techniques.

Discover Arabia's royal rituals by stepping into the spa's signature Hammam, which is overseen by a third generation Turkish "tellak" and offers experiences such as the Sultan's Hammam journey, comprising a luxurious hammam session, royal kessa mitt body polish, olive oil foam massage, hair detoxification, honey body mask and Arabian massage. Afterwards refresh in male and female sauna and steam rooms, rest in the relaxation room, and replenish with specially crafted spa cuisine and exotic juice bar creations. **ha**



Eastern Mangroves Hotel

First Spa Cenvaree In Mauritius

The first Spa Cenvaree in Mauritius, located in the new Centara Poste Lafayette Resort & Spa Mauritius, threw open its doors on 10 December 2012.

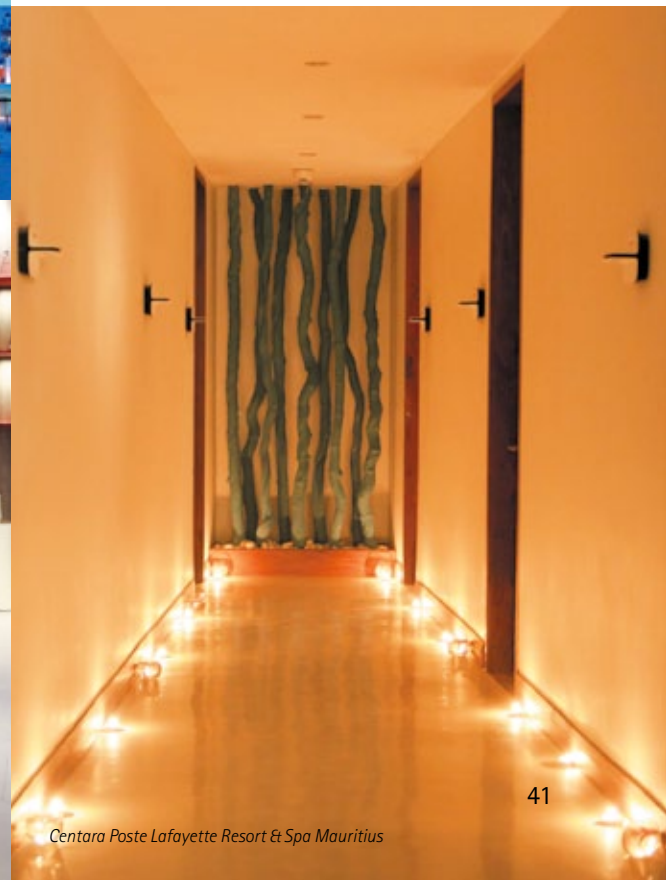
Spa Cenvaree is the premier spa brand of Centara Hotels & Resorts, Thailand's leading operator of deluxe and first-class hotels.

The spa will blend the use of natural herbs and Thailand's long tradition of health and healing, with an extensive menu of treatments and therapies delivered by highly skilled therapists from Thailand.

Amongst the range of sublime experiences is the Mauritius Sea Sand & Senses Signature Massage, which works on all senses to harmonize and rejuvenate the body and mind. This treatment features a sea sand foot ritual to wash away negative energy, followed by a head to toe massage using virgin coconut oil. A hot sand pouch therapy filled with heated sea sand, crushed sesame, grated ginger and warming black pepper, and dipped in coconut oil, is applied to bring relaxation to the muscles while leaving the guest in a state of complete bliss. While the body muscles are relaxing from the warm sensation of the sea sand pouch, the face is taken care of with a lymphatic application of cooling stones to leave the skin revitalized and refreshed. **ha**



Evian Spa



Centara Poste Lafayette Resort & Spa Mauritius

Peranakan Pleasures

avi spa is a sanctuary of seclusion from daily life. It is where stillness, simplicity and silence fuse into a contemplative space to create a refuge for elements of solitude to allow your body and mind to arrive at an optimum balance of aura and peace. avi spa is a 6,250 square feet standalone double storey spa pavilion built above water and located at the very tip furthest out from Avillion Port Dickson. This contemporary Peranakan inspired spa is divided into a three spa venues consisting of avi spa suites, an avi spa space and an avi lounge.

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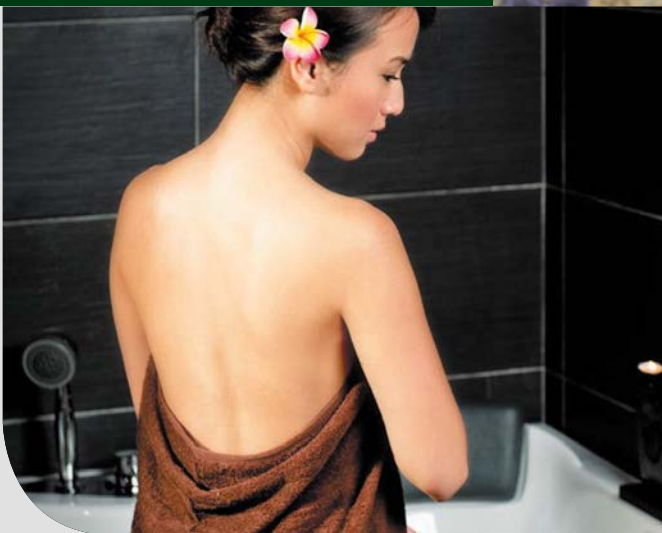


Five-star Traditionalism

Tanjung Wellness Spa at Philea Resort and Spa, Ayer Keroh, Melaka is synonymous with an environment where traditional comforts are enhanced by five-star experiences. Tanjung Wellness Spa offers spa enthusiasts an urban retreat of pampering and relaxation surrounded by breathtaking natural beauty. Influenced by the harmony of traditional and modern, the spa treatments include a variety of stress-reducing meditation techniques such as facial therapy, aromatherapy, reflexology, manicure and pedicure. All of these treatments are dispensed by highly trained and experienced female therapists. There are several structures called treatment pavilions housed within the spa that are suited for not just individual guests but also couples.

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Body Beautiful

With two outlets in Malaysia, The Bodybar Spa is a home-grown brand dedicated to providing great treatments without astronomical prices. Its offerings include various full body massage treatments, relaxing Jacuzzis in the Solaris Mont' Kiara only branch, various body scrubs, foot massage and reflexology, facial treatments (Hydration, Firming and Anti-Aging), ear candling, Warm Stone Retreat and Herbal Ball Retreat.

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