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### UPCOMING FESTIVE NEWS FROM DORCHESTER COLLECTION



**London, December 1, 2023** – This festive season, Dorchester Collection hotels are set to offer guests unforgettable celebrations embracing the destinations they are located in, whether it is a countryside break or a sunny escape to Los Angeles.

#### THE DORCHESTER, LONDON

This year, The Dorchester's festive decorations, overseen by in-house designer florist Philip Hammond, feature a 15-foot Nordmann spruce and a special grotto for letters to Santa. Guests can enjoy festive menus at The Grill by Tom Booton and Alain Ducasse, as well as private dining experiences, a glamorous New Year's Eve celebration, and Afternoon Tea. The hotel will also offer a delicious cherry and chocolate festive cocktail, The

Three Wise Cherries. This signature cocktail has been blended with a mix of Morello cherry rum, Oloroso sherry, Fusetti Academia, chai tea syrup, lemon, and Peychaud's Bitters.

## 45 PARK LANE, LONDON

This holiday season, 45 Park Lane transforms into a luxurious festive haven, offering a contemporary take on traditional holiday celebrations with a focus on the arts. The festivities kicked off with the unveiling of the hotel's Artist's Christmas tree, adorned with bespoke decorations by artist Hormazd Narielwalla, featuring handcrafted representations of iconic pop culture figures under the theme of festive stars. Earlier this year, Hormazd Narielwalla created two distinctive abstract pieces to commemorate the King's Coronation, titled "The Crown" and "The Pattern King", which were reproduced into 70 large-scale flags and placed on the exterior of the hotel. Two pieces from the Coronation installation, alongside this year's Christmas decorations, will be available for purchase in January 2024 with proceeds being donated to charity.

## COWORTH PARK, ASCOT

With Christmas decorations by famed florist Lavender Green, Coworth Park, Dorchester Collection's country house hotel, invites guests to experience an enchanting English countryside retreat and New Year celebration. Festive set menus are offered at The Barn and Michelin-starred Woven by Adam Smith, along with festive afternoon tea in The Drawing Room until December 23.

The Barn has been transformed into a full après-ski experience, where guests can enjoy a comforting mulled wine or hot chocolate and the magic of the season blends seamlessly with the rustic charm of an Alpine retreat. December will also welcome a festive Veuve Clicquot champagne dinner at Woven by Adam Smith available on Thursday, December 14.

On Christmas Day, guests will have a choice of three or five-course lunches, an open-house buffet-style dinner with live entertainment, and the opportunity to unwind on Boxing Day with a leisurely brunch, country walks, and a three-course dinner. The celebration will continue into New Year's for a two-night country retreat with live music, gala dinners, and a fireworks display.

For those yearning for a more private experience, guests can book the North Lodge or the Dower House, Coworth Park's two standalone signature cottages complete with gardens and dedicated chefs. Packages for Christmas and New Year's Eve start at £1,940 and £3,480, respectively, including accommodation, dining, activities and more.

## HÔTEL PLAZA ATHÉNÉE, PARIS

Hôtel Plaza Athénée will bring to life a winter chalet, located in the heart of La Cour Jardin. Available until January 20, 2024, "Le Chalet du Plaza Athénée" transports guests to snowy Alpine slopes with a special menu curated by executive chef Jean Imbert. The courtyard has also transformed into a beautiful ice-skating rink where hotel guests, including children between three and 12 years old, can enjoy private skating with a professional instructor.

Chef Jean Imbert's menu will feature Savoyard specialties and fondue in three variations, including a champagne fondue. Guests can enjoy the alpine-themed menu while overlooking the private ice rink. Prices start from €200, with reservations available for two or more people.

Not to be missed are Hôtel Plaza Athénée's festive sweets, including "The Mount Plaza," a 'suspended' yule log inspired by the Ardèche chestnut, priced at €125 and serving eight guests; and a Hazelnut Galette, entirely made from hazelnuts, priced at €57 and serving four to five guests.

## LE MEURICE, PARIS

Guests at Le Meurice can indulge in nostalgic delights with Cédric Grolet's festive creations. The "Sweet Wrapper" Yuletide Log, inspired by classic chocolate sweets, features a creamy dark chocolate mousse, mandarin centre, chocolate biscuit, and spiced chocolate praline. Meanwhile, the "Vanilla" Yuletide Log explores the multifaceted world of the celebrated flavour with praline, creamy centre, and vanilla mousse, all adorned with a vanilla pod trompe-l'oeil effect. Both limited-edition logs are available for pre-order from November 29, priced at €110 and €130 for eight people, respectively.

For the festive season, the hotel's Bar 228 will become the "Black Bar" as part of a unique collaboration with Baccarat. From December 7, 2023 to January 7, 2024 guests will be able to taste four exclusive cocktails served in iconic Baccarat glasses – "Mille Nuits", a fruity mocktail; "Louxor", a gourmet cocktail; "Massena", a revisited punch and "Encore", a coupe from the latest collaboration between Maison Baccarat and Philippe Starck, in which the bartenders will offer the designer's favourite cocktail, served during the renovation of Le Meurice in 2007. To accompany these creations, chef Amaury Bouhours and his team are offering dishes to share, with truffle and caviar.

For a delightful start to the New Year, guests can experience the "Hazelnut" Twelfth Night Cake, drawing inspiration from the Hazelnut character in the Ice Age. This delectable creation features a crisp puff pastry brioche embracing a rich hazelnut cream. The limited-edition twelfth-night cake is a simple yet exquisite treat.

## HOTEL EDEN, ROME

Hotel Eden has welcomed the festive season with a partnership with Brunello Cucinelli, with a specially curated Christmas tree and a dedicated 'salotto' at La Libreria. Handcrafted Christmas decorations inspired by the brand's cashmere and fabrics enhance the lobby's festive ambiance. The collaboration celebrates Italian craftsmanship and luxury, offering dedicated menus at La Terrazza and Il Giardino Ristorante for Christmas Eve and Christmas. To kick off the New Year, celebrations include exclusive dining experiences with live music at the hotel's restaurants, or a luxurious option hosted in the Bellavista Penthouse Suite.

## HOTEL PRINCIPE DI SAVOIA, MILAN

During this festive season at Hotel Principe di Savoia, the enchanting Santa Claus Suite is unveiled, turning the Royal Suite into Santa's home until January 7, 2024. Accessible to hotel and dining guests, children can enter this magical Christmas wonderland and write their letters to Santa, as well as indulge in delightful candies and sweets.

Acanto Restaurant will transform into a winter wonderland, adorned with candles and enchanting live music, creating the perfect backdrop for chefs to infuse a festive twist into traditional Italian dishes. For Milan's essential festive celebration, the Acanto festive afternoon tea offers a delightful experience, featuring exquisite pastries, freshly baked cakes, and indulgent chocolate feasts, all perfectly paired with tea and a flute of champagne.

Additionally, guests can prepare for the party season with the Face and Body Cocoon treatment, providing a 90-minute experience of relaxation and radiance at €200 per person, from December 1 to 31.

## HOTEL BEL-AIR, LOS ANGELES

Hotel Bel-Air transforms into a magical holiday retreat, offering a range of festive experiences. The Holiday Movie Series on the Front Lawn, from December 11-15, features beloved classics under the stars, such as Polar Express, Scrooge, and Elf, with general admission tickets at \$100 and exclusive private fire pits for a minimum spend of \$1,000.

The Restaurant at Hotel Bel-Air presents special Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, and New Year's Eve meals, showcasing prix-fixe menus and festive delights. Homemade desserts, including 'Ding Dongs' and house-made pies, are available for pre-order, or guests can create their own by entering the Holiday Cake Decorating Contest with recently appointed executive pastry chef Christophe Rull. Additionally, guests can indulge in daily treats in the lobby from December 1-24 for an Advent Calendar celebration.

## THE BEVERLY HILLS HOTEL, BEVERLY HILLS

The legendary setting of Dorchester Collection's Beverly Hills Hotel becomes even more special during the holidays with new offerings that capture the spirit of the season. From specialty cocktails and welcoming carol singers to whimsical children's activities and a visit from Santa, the most wonderful time of the year is made much more memorable at this beloved hotel.

The Polo Lounge will present festive meals for Christmas dinners with prix-fixe menus, grand dessert buffets, live music, carol singers, and Santa appearances. Traditional drinks such as Spiced Mulled Wine and Spiked Eggnog will also be available at the Polo Lounge Bar throughout the holiday season. Guests can join for The New Year's Eve Celebration which offers a prix-fixe menu, optional wine pairing, a champagne toast to ring in the new year, live music, and more.

Leading up to Christmas, the Polo Lounge has reinvented its signature dinner dessert to best celebrate the sweetness of the season. The 12 Days of Soufflés offer festive preparations of the signature dessert from December 12-23, or guests can indulge in a cookie decorating class on December 21.

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