

Four Seasons Opens First Property On The Indian Subcontinent

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The Hotel's 33-storey gleaming glass tower enlivens the skyline of the city's emerging Worli district and serves as an iconic reference to the spirit of 'new' India.

"It's a real privilege to be planting the Four Seasons flag in India," said Armando Kraenzlin, General Manager. "Mumbai is a big opening for the group and the Hotel is in an exciting part of town. It sets new standards in the city for luxury and service and is sure to challenge many Western preconceptions of what India has to offer."

The Hotel's 202 rooms and suites comprise the most spacious guest accommodation in Mumbai, showcasing views of the city skyline, Mahalaxmi Racecourse or Arabian Sea through floor to ceiling windows.

The Hotel brings two exciting restaurants to Worli. San Qi (three energies) has been designed as a contemporary 'food theatre', inviting guests and local residents alike on an eclectic, culinary journey through the three energies at the heart of Asian cuisine - Japanese, Wok and Tandoor. Prato serves Italian cuisine in a stylish setting complete with spacious al fresco terrace overlooking the Hotel's lawn and gardens.

The Hotel facilitates international business with over 500m(2) of indoor meeting and function space, a highly efficient 24hr Business Centre, unparalleled Concierge services and a fleet of 20 BMW 7-Series limousines. In addition, the top floor "The Club" on the 33rd floor, offers its Members an exclusive selection of meeting and dining venues, innovative life-style facilities and access to the most influential networking in town.

The two-storey Spa, opening mid year, will offer traditional Ayurvedic therapies and western treatments in a contemporary setting featuring eight treatment rooms (including one couple suite and a VIP suite), wet areas, Chi Studio (accommodating yoga, meditation and aerobic activities), pool, gym, relaxation lounge and Rossano Ferretti salon.

The Hotel has made every effort to remain sensitive to the unique cultural, social and economic needs of the local community. Major festivals will be celebrated both inside and outside and senior members of staff have been learning to speak Hindi. The Hotel has also launched The Hospitality Apprenticeship Programme - a two year vocational training course intent on equipping young people from the local neighbourhood with the skills and knowledge necessary to be competitive in the hospitality industry. "We want to ensure that the Hotel has a positive impact, not only on its guests and the local business community but also on those communities in its immediate vicinity," explained Kraenzlin. "Mumbai is a complex city in many ways and we are determined to make our arrival here significant for all the right reasons.'

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