

CHEF PIERRE GAGNAIRE TO OPEN FIRST U.S. RESTAURANT IN THE NEW MANDARIN ORIENTAL, LAS VEGAS AT CITYCENTER

HONG KONG, 27 August 2009 – [Mandarin Oriental, Las Vegas](#), prominently situated at the entrance of CityCenter, the extraordinary new urban resort destination, will introduce the award-winning cuisine of three-star Michelin Chef Pierre Gagnaire at the hotel's signature restaurant, *Twist by Pierre Gagnaire*. Opening in December 2009, *Twist* will be Gagnaire's first restaurant in the United States. The innovative menu will infuse the simplicity of classic French cuisine with a modern spin, relying on a pairing of flavors and textures for which Gagnaire is known.

Located on the 23rd floor of the hotel, the Adam D. Tihany designed signature restaurant, seating 74, will feature a dramatic, glass staircase leading up to a suspended wine loft. More than 300 gold globes will illuminate the space, appearing to float in the air across the ceiling. Elevated tables will allow every guest a view from the floor-to-ceiling windows that overlook the Las Vegas Strip.

Also located on the 23rd floor with windows overlooking the spectacular Vegas skyline, the 82-seat *Mandarin Bar* will redefine Las Vegas nightlife. Appealing to locals as well as leisure and business travelers alike, this chic venue will provide an elegant respite from the bustling bars of the Las Vegas Strip. Decorated with plush furnishings, the *Mandarin Bar* will offer creative snacks, and an extensive cocktail menu. A team of molecular mixologists will be available to develop customized concoctions upon request, and there will also be a separate VIP room, available by reservation.

In addition to *Twist by Pierre Gagnaire*, diners will have the option to enjoy several other dining options within Mandarin Oriental, Las Vegas including *Mozen Bistro*, an all-day contemporary kitchen theater with a sushi bar, noodle bar and rotisserie. The cuisine at *Mozen Bistro* will reflect the best of Asia along with American classics. The property will also feature an intimate 30-seat *Tea Lounge*, serving a wide menu of teas and High Tea rituals; a *Poolside Café*

offering market-fresh fare, smoothies and sorbets; and the street-level, *Amore Patisserie*, with a selection of freshly baked pastries and cakes as well as sandwiches, coffee, teas, hand-made chocolate and gelato.

For reservations and more information on the dining options available at Mandarin Oriental, Las Vegas, please call +1 (702) 590-8888 or visit www.mandarinoriental.com/lasvegas.

About Pierre Gagnaire

In a distinguished career that spans more than 35 years, Gagnaire has gained the highest acclaim for his restaurants in Paris, London, Tokyo, Seoul, Dubai and his namesake restaurant, “Pierre” at Mandarin Oriental, Hong Kong. Gagnaire is well-known for being at the forefront of the fusion movement. Beginning his career in St. Etienne, where he won three Michelin Stars, Gagnaire tore at the conventions of classic French cooking by introducing radical juxtapositions of tastes and textures. His influence on cooking has been recognized worldwide.

About Mandarin Oriental, Las Vegas

Mandarin Oriental, Las Vegas will be a sophisticated sanctuary of modern elegance prominently situated at the entrance of CityCenter, a magnificent urban resort destination in the heart of the Las Vegas Strip. Opening in December 2009, this 47-story, non-gaming hotel will bring fine-dining, a relaxing Spa, spectacular accommodations and the personalized service of the world-renowned hotel group to Las Vegas. Designed entirely by interior designer Adam D. Tihany and architecture firm Kohn Pedersen Fox, Mandarin Oriental, Las Vegas will set a new standard of style with stunning suites, amenities and architectural design.

About Mandarin Oriental Hotel Group

Mandarin Oriental Hotel Group is the award-winning owner and operator of some of the world's most prestigious hotels, resorts and residences. Mandarin Oriental now operates, or has under development, 41 hotels representing over 10,000 rooms in 25 countries, with 17 hotels in Asia, 14 in The Americas and 10 in Europe and North Africa. In addition, the Group operates, or has under development, 13 *Residences at Mandarin Oriental*, connected to the Group's properties.

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