

MANDALA Club

PRESS ANNOUNCEMENT

INTRODUCING 'MANDALA AT M.O.'

Mandala Group announces ground breaking collaboration 'Asia first' with Mandarin Oriental, Singapore, substantially expanding the club's offering to members, while giving hotel guests a taste of Mandala's unique culture.

7 AUGUST 2023, SINGAPORE: Mandala Club's community will know that one of the biggest benefits of membership is the chance to experience 'meaningful connections that matter' — Mandala is built on the central belief that if you surround yourself with great people in great environments, great things will happen.

Proof of that very concept, it was one of these chance connections, a serendipitous meeting between Ben Jones, founder and CEO of Mandala Group and Philipp Knuepfer, General Manager of the Mandarin Oriental, Singapore & Area Vice President Operations that led to the formulation of a brilliant new long-term collaboration that will provide Mandala Members with an additional club in Singapore, and Mandarin Oriental, Singapore's Marina Bay View Room and Suite booking guests with enhanced access, engagement and programming.

Introducing *Mandala at M.O.*

When Mandarin Oriental, Singapore reopens in a little more than a month's time, following an all-encompassing, six-month multi-million-dollar transformation, it will embrace a new community — Mandala's — through a programme of full access to fitness, leisure and pool facilities and a special new dedicated membership space with wine at its core.

The hotel's fabulous new lounge space, *HAUS 65*, is being co-curated by the Mandala Club team. Alongside guests of the hotel's upper-tier rooms and suites, HAUS 65 will welcome members, providing a place for our community to congregate in comfort — and enjoy those ever-important meaningful connections — beyond the Bukit Pasoh mothership.

The new space will offer Mandala Club the opportunity to vastly expand its wine programme, hosting oenology-focused events led by esteemed sommeliers and winemakers, including daily tastings. The extensive cellar will feature a rotating selection of fine wines available by the glass. A unique touch reflecting Mandala's inclusive, member-centric approach, the individual ordering the last glass from any of these bottles will have the honour of selecting the next bottle from the wine list to be added to the selection.

Beyond the pleasures of the grape, the availability of this 21st floor eyrie presents the potential to broaden the club's renowned Cultural Calendar, musical and culinary special events. When we say 'watch this space,' we mean exactly that.

This home-from-home isn't the only permanent extension to the club that the *Mandala at M.O.* collaboration will create, however.

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Mandala Club members will have unfettered access to Mandarin Oriental, Singapore's beautiful outdoor swimming pool which boasts enviable views across Marina Bay, and state-of-the-art fitness centre. In a further health and wellness tie-up, Mandala's in-house fitness experts will lead members and hotel guests in a range of bespoke workouts around the property and its bayside surrounds.

A change of scenery and a change of pace, the alliance with Mandarin Oriental, Singapore augments Mandala's already rich array of spaces, events and programming to integrate an urban resort setting, giving members the option to make any day a pseudo-staycation, should they so desire. Or to turn a day trip into a proper overnighter, with preferential members' rates on rooms and spa services.

Visiting many of Singapore's conventional, traditional clubs involves taking a leap several decades back in time – from an aesthetic, culinary, cultural, and service standpoint. Meanwhile, at both Mandala Club Bukit Pasoh and *Mandala at M.O.*, contemporary design, a 21st Century mindset, and the most exacting standards of modern hospitality are the order of the day. (But feel free to order a lovely cold glass of Pouilly-Fuissé as well.)

“This collaboration came about thanks to people with purpose meeting in an inspired environment – a real-life demonstration of Mandala Club's core philosophy. With Mandarin Oriental, Singapore's top-tier guests being given access to the club during their stay, our members' opportunities for those types of encounters will only grow,” says Ben Jones, founder and CEO of Mandala Group. “We're excited to offer our community a substantially expanded membership offering, now amplified by access to this exceptional, truly iconic luxury hotel, while continuing to receive Mandala's signature standards of cultural curation and creativity.”

“Through this partnership, we are excited that Mandarin Oriental guests will enjoy exclusive access to truly remarkable experiences within a vibrant community of discerning tastemakers and like minds,” says Philipp Knuepfer, General Manager of Mandarin Oriental, Singapore & Area Vice President Operations.

ABOUT MANDALA CLUB

Mandala Club, established Singapore, Autumn 2021, is the home of conversation, creation, celebration and connection to Singapore's most dynamic private membership community. Located in Chinatown, it offers 'meaningful connections that matter' to its highly engaged community through the club's curated places and spaces, culinary and beverage offering, and its ever-evolving *Cultural Calendar* of programming spanning Michelin culinary residencies, the world's most important musicians, fireside chats with industry icons, and community events around today's most important and talked about issues. www.mandala.club / @mandalaclub.sg

ABOUT MANDARIN ORIENTAL, SINGAPORE

Mandarin Oriental, Singapore is one of the world's foremost luxury hotels. It is the only hotel in the city that has been awarded Five Star status for both accommodation and spa in the prestigious Forbes Travel Guide for twelve consecutive years (2012 to 2023). This award-winning property has a prime location, close to the financial hub with easy access to luxury boutiques and entertainment venues, and minutes away from Suntec Singapore International Convention & Exhibition Centre. The hotel features an impressive atrium lobby with 510 rooms and suites. There is a premium club lounge, an indulgent and intimate spa, extensive meeting and banqueting facilities, five renowned restaurants, an award-winning bar and a lounge overlooking the spectacular Marina Bay.

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