

The London Marriott Hotel Grosvenor Square announce major multi-million pound refurbishment

Situated in the heart of Mayfair and originally built as a large majestic townhouse, **The London Marriott Hotel Grosvenor Square**, will this spring undergo the first phase of a major multi-million pound refurbishment which will take the hotel in a new ultra-luxurious and contemporary direction. This first phase, which is due for completion in May 2008, will include the creation of 45 luxury club rooms and suites (12 with a private garden); an exclusive Club Lounge; and a new restaurant – **maze Grill** – by Gordon Ramsay together with Jason Atherton. United Designers are responsible for the design of both the Marriott and **maze Grill**.

First Floor – Luxury Club Rooms and Suites

45 new luxury club rooms and suites will perhaps best epitomise the Marriott's new five star service and contemporary sensibility. Each room has been beautifully designed to feature a luxurious four poster bed, fireplace, marble bathrooms with raindance showers and thoughtful work space complete with the most up to date technology. 12 of these rooms will feature a private courtyard garden. These will form a dedicated Club Floor on the first level of the building with completion scheduled for May 2008. At the same time, all 237 rooms in the hotel will be updated with 32 inch high definition flat screen televisions.

Ground Floor – Hotel Entrance, Forecourt, Ballroom and Meeting Rooms

The hotel forecourt will be re-landscaped with English box hedging planted on the Duke Street perimeter to the hotel. Revolving glass doors will be installed to provide a grand welcome experience. The Marriott will also provide exceptional new meeting room space. Three additional rooms - *The Sloane, Berkeley and Portman Rooms* – were completed in September 2007 alongside new cloakrooms for the Ballroom and a new Gym, both of which are accessed by a new double marble staircase leading down from the lobby to the lower ground floor. This dramatic vaulted space features a stunning chandelier. Also on this level, a new series of meeting rooms will open in October 2008. *The Mayfair Suite* will seat 300 guests, theatre style, or 160 guests for dinner and will feature state-of-the-art audio visual installations and natural daylight.

Downstairs - Club Lounge

The Marriott's new luxurious *Club Lounge* opened in January in newly expanded space on the lower ground floor. Seating 55, all guests staying in Club Rooms and Suites, together with Marriott Rewards Elite members, will have access to this area providing a healthy start breakfast, all day refreshments, Wi-Fi, a feature fireplace and above all, quiet refuge from the bustle of Mayfair. Cream leather banquettes, rich cocoa armchairs, and a striking tear drop chandelier create an atmosphere of decadence and luxury.

Restaurants – maze and maze Grill

On 11 April, maze's executive chef Jason Atherton, together with Gordon Ramsay, will open **maze Grill** in the space previously occupied by The Cobalt Restaurant. The 80 cover restaurant and bar, serving breakfast, lunch and dinner to hotel and outside guests, will be modeled on the more informal style of New York's grill restaurants, offering a wide range of different breeds and cuts of meat. The restaurant will feature a unique butcher's block table of a single piece of English oak from which diners will have the opportunity to watch the chefs at work. There will also be three private dining rooms operated by Gordon Ramsay, two seating 40 guests and a third seating ten as well as a new bar. Gordon Ramsay's new room service kitchen, featuring dishes inspired by **maze Grill**, is operational and is serving In-Room Dining to hotel guests.

United Designers

The redevelopment of **The London Marriott Grosvenor Square** represents an exciting major project for United Designers. Inspired by the great residences of Mayfair, their intention is to reinterpret classic English detailing and style across all areas of the hotel including unique features such as fireplaces, four poster beds, rose gardens and grand oak floors. Based in London, United are responsible for some of the capital's most celebrated venues including Nobu, The Metropolitan and the Four Seasons Hotel Canary Wharf, together with the recent unveiling of the iconic Dolder Grand Hotel Zurich.

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