

MGM x RR1 Culinary Masters Macau Enlivens Gastronomic Landscape of the City

A stellar lineup of world-renowned chefs welcomed guests from over 10 countries to showcase Macau's status as a UNESCO Creative City of Gastronomy

MGM presented the MGM x RR1 Culinary Masters Macau, Asia's first exclusive RR1 Signature Event in Macau, which was successfully concluded on August 13. The deluxe four-day dining extravaganza, featuring a stellar lineup of world-renowned celebrity chefs along with MGM award-winning chefs and local Macanese chefs, joined hands to transform the culture diversity into culinary bliss by honoring Macau's roots while embracing global culinary vision. As the first of many future RR1 Signature Events taking place in MGM, which aims to attract more premium international travelers to Macau as a world's tourism destination, has brought over 150 premium guests from 10 different countries including Australia, China, Italy, Japan, Singapore, South Korea, Thailand, the United Arab Emirates, the United Kingdom, the United States to Macau. On top of savoring the top-notch culinary creations, the international guests also experienced the city's rich cultural heritage as well as its unique food culture, with a tailormade programme that highlighted the true colors of the local Macau.

Hubert Wang, President and Chief Operating Officer of MGM China Holdings Limited, said, "MGM strives to integrate various culinary traditions to create unparalleled gastronomic experiences in Macau, which beautifully coincides with the city's unique historical position as a hub of diverse cultures. This very gastronomic extravaganza is a testament that MGM continuously endeavors to elevate Macau's status as a UNESCO City of Gastronomy and a top tourism destination in the globe, by bringing global travelers to the best of the best the dining world has to offer, alongside experiences of the city's distinctive blend of East-meets-West culture. This event will continue to serve as a platform for a vibrant cultural exchange, bringing together travelers from around the globe to experience every aspect of Macau in style."

The gastronomic programme, centered around the theme of "The Flavors of Tomorrow: Savoring the Future," featured an exceptional line-up of culinary talent – led by the multi-award-winning Italian chef **Massimo Bottura** of three-Michelin-starred Osteria Francescana in Modena, twice named "The World's Best Restaurant"; **Yim Jung-sik**, the pioneering force behind the two-Michelin-starred Korean fine-dining restaurant, Jungsik, in both Seoul and New York City; and **Shane Osborn** of Hong Kong's Arcane, the first Australian chef to hold two Michelin stars. Other culinary talents from local include **Yang Dengquan**, chef de cuisine of Michelin 1-star Sichuanese restaurant Five Foot Road at



MGM COTAI; **Homan Tsui**, chef de cuisine of Imperial Court at MGM MACAU, recognized by the Forbes Travel Guide with a Five-Star Award and Black Pearl Restaurant Guide as a One Diamond Restaurant; and **Palmira Pena**, an acclaimed chef of Macanese and Portuguese cuisine. What is more, further leveraging the event as a platform of culinary and cultural exchange, MGM offered a custom-made city tour, led by MGM's culinary team, for the international culinary talents, enabling them to immerse into the essence of Macau's cultural out of the eventful programme.

The four-day-three-night gastronomic programme featured a diversity of exceptional culinary experiences — *An Italian Night at Osteria Francescana*, an unforgettable three-Michelin-star Modena dinner specially curated by **Massimo Bottura**; and a grand 12-hand gala dinner *The World on a Plate*, which was jointly presented by award-winning chefs. The event was also comprised of over 30 sessions of exclusive activities, tailormade for the prestigious guests, including sightseeing local tours to fully experience the city's vibrant culture, alongside an array of master classes led by the celebrity chefs and industry experts — cooking classes, wine tasting class, to name a few. Guests also took part in behind-the-scene Discovery Tours at MGM's back-of-house kitchen, as well as immersive art tours, wellness classes and many more.

RR1 is a global private membership club that brings together the network of international ultra-high-net-worth individuals to experience the extraordinary. Culinary Masters is one of the most popular events under RR1, bringing together the most acclaimed chefs in the world for a culinary retreat filled with fine food and exquisite wines, and culinary classes. With MGM's dedication to promoting the rich heritage of Macau along with its award-winning dining options and innovative art-inspired offerings, MGM COTAI is the most ideal venue for the first RR1 Culinary Masters in Asia against the backdrop of the city's legacy as a UNESCO-designated Creative City of Gastronomy.

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MGM MACAU is a Forbes Five-Star luxury integrated resort inspired by the arts with every element of the resort infused with creativity and style. MGM MACAU has approximately 600 guest rooms and suites and boasts a number of distinguishing features, including the architecturally stunning European-inspired Grande Praça, housed under a soaring glass ceiling. MGM MACAU's world class facilities include the MGM Art Space, dedicating over 5,000 square feet to display authentic works of art, conference and event facilities, spa, and seven signature restaurants and bars to fulfill any gastronomic craving. Our property is conveniently located on the Macau Peninsula and is directly connected to the luxury retail shopping complex, One Central.

MGM COTAI is the latest integrated resort of MGM in China. Designed as the "jewelry box" of Cotai, it offers approximately 1,400 hotel rooms and suites, Asia's first dynamic theater, meeting space, high end spa, retail offerings and food and beverage outlets as well as the first international Mansion at MGM for the ultimate luxury experience. The Spectacle at MGM COTAI becomes the record holder of the largest free-span gridshell glazed roof (self-supporting) on January 19, 2019, making it the first architectural and structural GUINNESS WORLD RECORDS™ title for Macau, China. MGM COTAI is being developed to drive greater product diversification and bring more advanced and innovative forms of entertainment to Macau as it grows as a global tourist destination. MGM COTAI is the only mega complex and hotel in Macau to gain three-star certification in both Green Building Design and Operation Label, as well as the first hotel in the Greater Bay Area and second in Greater China to receive the certifications.

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