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45 Park Lane welcomes head sommelier Frederic Marti



(London) Dorchester Collection's contemporary Mayfair hotel, 45 Park Lane, has welcomed Frederic Marti as head sommelier, overseeing the wine selection for Wolfgang Puck's CUT at 45 Park Lane and BAR 45.

Having worked closely with some of London's leading chefs, including Jason Atherton at Pollen Street Social and Lee Westcott at The Typing Room, Frederic collaborates closely with executive chef David McIntyre to enhance the wine selection at CUT at 45 Park Lane and host a series of wine dinners within the restaurant.

Special wine dinners will take place every other month, pairing David's modern American dishes with varying styles of wine. Each evening will highlight a different grower, producer or region.

Frederic was born and raised in the south of France, close to Toulouse, but has strong ties to Catalonia, where many of his family live. Hospitality is part of Frederic's family DNA, starting with his Grandmother who owned a coastal hotel on the Costa Brava, where his relatives would gather and enjoy great Spanish wines. Frederic has a strong respect for the wine growers of Spain, and looks to introduce smaller, lesser known, wines to 45 Park Lane.

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Frederic's career started as a waiter at the age of 14, working his way up through Michelin-starred restaurants around the world, such as Gravetye Manor and Le Gavroche in the UK, El Celler de Can Roca and El Bulli in Spain, and Hôtel de Crillon in Paris. Frederic joins 45 Park Lane from roles as Wine Director at The Typing Room and General Manager of a pop-up raw wine bar at the Town Hall Hotel, which he ran with his wife.

Frederic commented on his appointment: "As part of the Dorchester Collection family, I am looking forward to further enhancing the impressive wine selection at 45 Park Lane, introducing smaller growers for our guests to enjoy."

Open since September 2011, CUT at 45 Park Lane was the first restaurant in Europe for world-renowned chef and restaurateur Wolfgang Puck and soon became recognized for its exceptional sourcing of outstanding steaks. In July 2014, CUT at 45 Park Lane was the first establishment in London to serve the previously unobtainable Japanese Wagyu beef on its menu.

Amongst his accolades, Frederic has judged for the Decanter World Wine Awards (DWAA), named one of the 10 best sommeliers in the UK, and is currently studying for his WSET master of wine diploma. Wine Dinners at 45 park lane are priced from £165 per person including a four course menu with wine pairings.

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Note to the Editors:

45 Park Lane - Dorchester Collection's contemporary London hotel 45 Park Lane opened on 1st September 2011 just opposite The Dorchester with Wolfgang Puck's first venture in Europe, CUT at 45 Park Lane. Throughout the intimate-sized hotel, luxurious and contemporary interiors by New York based designer, Thierry Despont, provide a club-like feel offering international guests a smart, central environment from which to enjoy London. Each of the spacious 45 rooms and suites offer views of Hyde Park, as does a spectacular Penthouse Suite with wrap around terrace offering panoramic views across London. A striking central staircase leads to a mezzanine featuring Bar 45 famous for its Negronis, a resident's Library, and high tech Media Room offering private dining.

Wolfgang Puck Fine Dining Group - The award-winning restaurants include Spago (Beverly Hills, Las Vegas, Istanbul, Maui and Singapore); CUT (Beverly Hills, Las Vegas, Singapore, 45 Park Lane London); Wolfgang Puck at Hotel Bel-Air (Los Angeles); Chinois (Santa Monica); Lupe by Wolfgang Puck (Las

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Vegas); Wolfgang Puck Bar & Grill (Las Vegas and Los Angeles); Cecina by Wolfgang Puck (Las Vegas and Detroit); Wolfgang Puck American Grille at Borgata Hotel Casino & Spa in Atlantic City; The Source by Wolfgang Puck at the Newseum in Washington, DC; Five Sixty atop Reunion Tower in Dallas, TX; WP24 at The Ritz-Carlton, Los Angeles; and Wolfgang Puck Steak (Detroit). For more information, please visit www.wolfgangpuck.com.

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