

## Press Release

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# Dorchester Collection appoints Robert Whitfield as its regional director UK and general manager, The Dorchester



(London) - [Dorchester Collection](#) announces the appointment of Robert Whitfield as regional director UK and general manager at The Dorchester from 8 May 2017. In his new role, Robert will oversee operations and strategies for the iconic London hotel as well as for the other two UK properties of Dorchester Collection: 45 Park Lane, London and Coworth Park, Ascot.

Commenting on Robert Whitfield's appointment, Christopher Cowdray, chief executive officer of Dorchester Collection, says: "I am delighted to welcome Robert to the company as he will bring tremendous hospitality experience, drive and passion to the company."

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Robert joins from his most recent position of regional vice president and general manager for Four Seasons Resort Hualalai, Hawaii, where he has worked since 2007. Prior to this, Robert worked as general manager for three years at Four Seasons, Silicon Valley, and six years at Four Seasons Resort, Nevis.

“I am excited to be joining such an iconic brand and be a part of Dorchester Collection’s senior leadership team in the UK,” commented Robert. “I look forward to spearheading the future of three iconic hotels, which hold such prestige, and leading them into an exciting new era, where they will continue to be leaders in the luxury industry.”

Having studied at the Hotel & Catering International Management Association at Brighton University, Robert began his career in London as a senior assistant chief steward at the Intercontinental Hotel Park Lane before moving to the Grosvenor House Hotel as assistant restaurant manager and later The Athenaeum Hotel as food and beverage manager. Robert then became deputy general manager at Dukes Hotel, London, before his first general manager role at the Royal St Lucian Hotel in the West Indies.

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## Notes to the Editors:

### **Dorchester Collection**

Dorchester Collection is a portfolio of the world’s foremost luxury hotels in Europe and the US, each of which reflects the distinctive culture of its destination. By applying its unrivalled experience and capability in owning and operating some of the greatest individual hotels, the company’s mission is to develop an impeccable group of the finest landmark hotels through acquisition as well as management of wholly-owned and part-owned hotels, and to enter into management agreements.

The current portfolio includes the following hotels: **The Dorchester**, London; **45 Park Lane**, London; **Coworth Park**, Ascot, UK; **Le Meurice**, Paris; **Hôtel Plaza Athénée**, Paris; **Hotel Principe di Savoia**, Milan; **Hotel Eden**, Rome; **The Beverly Hills Hotel**, Beverly Hills; and **Hotel Bel-Air**, Los Angeles.

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