

The Dorchester

London

Dorchester Collection

## Press Release

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## The Dorchester reopens on 4<sup>th</sup> September

(London) Dorchester Collection's iconic British hotel, The Dorchester, will reopen on 4<sup>th</sup> September 2020 with all new experiences.

### **The Dorchester Terrace & Garden**

The Dorchester will reopen with the launch of a seasonal al fresco hotspot The Dorchester Terrace & Garden, perched on the hotel's famous forecourt and perfect for cocktail lovers. The Dorchester Terrace & Garden has just seven tables of two, serving an all new cocktail menu by The Bar at The Dorchester's award winning team of alchemists led by cocktail legend Giuliano Morandin, which will change seasonally. A winter terrace is planned for this November.

Surrounded by lush greenery, guests can enjoy classic Italian bites paired with experimental cocktails created for the launch of the terrace including *The Notorious Kiss* made using Montenegro Italian liqueur, Barbera d'Alba, Cachaça, Green Chartreuse and cherry syrup. The new cocktail creations sit alongside classic favourites such as The Martinez, made using The Dorchester's Old Tom Gin.

The Dorchester Terrace & Garden opens daily from 4<sup>th</sup> September, with tables available from 12pm.

### **The Florist at The Dorchester**

In-house designer florist Philip Hammond reopens The Florist at The Dorchester boutique with a new floral masterclass. The classes for up to two guests are available daily at 6pm and are priced at £125 per person conducted by Philip or one of the expert floristry team, which includes a glass of Champagne on arrival and all flowers and materials included to make the chosen floral arrangement.

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As part of the class guests will have the opportunity to learn how to make a beautiful floral arrangement to take home, receiving hints and tips along the way as well as some trade secrets. There will be three classes available, from seasonal hand tied bouquets to traditional table arrangements. From November, Philip and the team will be conducting Christmas themed masterclasses including The Dorchester Wreath Masterclass.

From October, The Florist will launch nationwide delivery of The Dorchester Rose. Delivered in special protective packaging, The Dorchester Rose bouquet is priced at £60 for 12 stems, including delivery, and comes complete with Philip's tips on arranging the flowers at home.

The Florist at The Dorchester boutique opens daily from 10am until 6pm from 4<sup>th</sup> September, where guests will be able to explore beautiful bouquets, a unique range of plants, candles and a selection of hand crafted gifts.

### World-class cuisine at The Dorchester

Ahead of reopening The Dorchester has announced that Mario Perera will take on the highly coveted role of executive chef. Mario first joined The Dorchester over 18 years ago and has risen through the culinary ranks, and follows an esteemed alumni of great executive chefs including; Jean Baptiste Virlogeux who launched the hotel's Chef's Table in the 1940s, Eugene Kaufler, Anton Mosimann, Willi Elsener, and Henry Brosi who held the position for over 20 years. In his new role as executive chef, Mario will assume responsibility for overseeing the brigade of more than 100 chefs within The Dorchester's six kitchens serving; The Grill, The Promenade, The Bar, Private Dining & Events, in-room dining and The Spatisserie at The Dorchester Spa.

Culinary institution The Grill at The Dorchester reopens with all new dishes including mackerel with late summer tomatoes, basil and tomato essence, as well as new puddings such as banana soft-serve with crispy walnuts, caramel and lockdown banana bread. Head chef Tom Booton's famed Lobster Thermidor tart remains centre stage, with a 'Thermidor Thursday' where guests can indulge in this modern twist of the classic dish at £35 per person on Thursdays. As autumn arrives, The Grill at The Dorchester is *the* place to be for an indulgent three course Sunday Lunch. Guests can enjoy specially created Sunday savory cocktails on arrival at the restaurant.

Following the sellout success of The Dorchester at Home afternoon tea delivery, the series will continue from 9<sup>th</sup> September with a new delivery and collection service of Make-It-Yourself boxes from The Grill. The MIY deliveries include all the ingredients to create dishes such as the Beef Wellington or Lobster Thermidor tart. All deliveries will come accompanied with recipe cards created by the chefs from the hotel, with guidance on how to create the perfect dining experience at home.

Available on Wednesdays at The Grill, the restaurant will be extending the government's Eat Out To Help Out scheme by offering a 50% discount on food and non-alcoholic drinks up to £10 per person.

Awarded 3 Michelin stars, Alain Ducasse at The Dorchester reopens 10<sup>th</sup> September offering unrivalled contemporary French cuisine and impeccable service. A modern, light and elegantly informal setting complements the restaurant's forward-thinking approach to haute cuisine.

Famed Cantonese restaurant China Tang at The Dorchester reopened on 9<sup>th</sup> July, serving a selection of deeply comforting Chinese favourites with style and flair. As part of the new restaurant offering, a Collect and Deliver service allows guests to enjoy all of their favourite China Tang dishes at home.

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### Afternoon Tea at The Dorchester

Since opening in 1931, The Dorchester has become world renowned for serving the finest afternoon tea in London from The Promenade. Executive pastry chef Daniel Texter has created an autumnal themed afternoon tea offering for the hotel reopening on 4<sup>th</sup> September, which includes delicate pastries, delectable sandwiches and fluffy scones served from The Dorchester Tea Trolley. Afternoon Tea at The Dorchester is served daily from 11am to 6pm, with reservations open from 4<sup>th</sup> September. Priced at £59 per person for traditional afternoon tea and £68 per person with Champagne.

### Prepare to unwind at The Dorchester Spa

Exuding 1930s Art Deco glamour inspired by the iconic style of the hotel, The Dorchester Spa will reopen on 4<sup>th</sup> September ready to welcome guests for some long overdue pampering. A new treatment menu will include 60 minute treatments in the spa as well as specially designed Aromatherapy Associates wellbeing experience available to guest in their room or suite.

The new in-room treatments are designed to reset guest's wellbeing in the comfort of their own room with four specialist offerings each with a specific purpose. Whether it be to ensure a restful sleep with the perfect bed time routine, a de-stress treatment to relieve tension, a full recharge of mind and revival of the skin, or to restore with a Forest Therapy grounding and restorative treatment.

Revolutionary hair and beauty salon, Carol Joy London reopens at The Dorchester Spa on 4<sup>th</sup> September using their own formulated products in every hair and beauty service they provide, each containing clinically proven, active ingredients such as Pure Collagen and Golden Millet Oil.

### Ready to welcome you

A new 'Ultimate Staycation' package includes accommodation, breakfast for two, complimentary early check-in and late check-out, and complimentary car parking and valet service. Every guest receives a special 'Protect Me' amenity to use throughout their stay, with everything they might need including hand sanitiser and sanitation wipes.

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### Note to the Editors:

### The Dorchester

An iconic British hotel, The Dorchester has been at the heart of London's Mayfair overlooking Hyde Park since 1931. Exceptional dining is available to guests in The Promenade serving world renowned afternoon tea; three Michelin star Alain Ducasse; iconic Cantonese favourite China Tang; and legendary dining room The Grill, which relaunched in November 2019. The Dorchester Spa offers indulgent pampering in a glamorous art deco setting. The hotel stays true to the classic English residential style, fusing contemporary comfort with the timeless glamour and heritage of the property. The Dorchester's ten event

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