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ICONIC TRIANON PALACE VERSAILLES CELEBRATES ITS 100TH ANNIVERSARY

Celebrations and special offers marking the hotel's milestone start on 5 May 2010



VERSAILLES, France – (28 April 2010) – The iconic Trianon Palace Versailles – Waldorf Astoria Collection is celebrating its 100th anniversary this May. On 5 May 2010, this unique hotel will unveil a host of special, not-to-be-missed offers, packages and events to mark this milestone. including the creation of a 1910 menu

The Trianon Palace Versailles – Waldorf Astoria Collection, perfectly located near the impressive Chateau de Versailles and bordering its stunning gardens and estate, opened its doors in May of 1910. The hotel was built on the site of an old convent and was designed by Rene Sergent, best known for designing the Plaza Athenee in Paris.

Throughout the years, the hotel has been the site of many historical events including the preparation of the Treaty of Versailles in the Salon Clemenceau and quickly became a favorite holiday destination for Parisian high society. The Trianon Palace has attracted some of the top literary figures including Marcel Proust, Sarah Bernhardt and René Lacoste.

Other notable guests include The Duke and Duchess of Windsor who spent their honeymoon at the Trianon Palace.

Prior to joining the Waldorf Astoria Collection in January 2009, the hotel underwent a multi-million dollar renovation overseen by British interior designer Fiona Thompson. Thompson embraced the elements of the legendary luxury hotel while infusing her own contemporary décor aesthetic into all public areas, guest accommodations and facilities. Additionally, the hotel grounds were refreshed by famous landscape architect, Louis Benech.

A host of packages, offers and specials to celebrate

1910 menu

The Trianon Palace Versailles' two Michelin star Head Chef, Simone Zanoni, has prepared a special menu reminiscent of the grandeur of 1910. This special menu includes Chicken Velouté à la Royale, Aspic of foie gras, jellied knuckle of ham and Baron of lamb Bordeaux-style with buttered beans. Dessert will consist of the Red Dome façon chocolat created especially for the anniversary by pastry chef, Eddie Benghanem.

Inspired by an original menu from 1910, this menu will be available for guests dining at *Gordon Ramsay au Trianon* for €160.

Anniversary special packages

The Trianon Palace will offer a selection of tailor-made packages available to guests through the end of the year. Guests will be able to upgrade their standard reservations for an additional cost of €100 and can choose any two of the following choices of activities and treats for two:

- Afternoon tea for two including the special anniversary cake created by the pastry chef or evening tapas and champagne
- Guerlain Harmony Foot Bath and reflexology
- Children's special anniversary welcome package including a Trianon Palace Versailles cuddly sheep, bathrobe and treasure hunt book
- Romantic experience - A special anniversary bottle of champagne served in the guest's room, homemade chocolates baked by the pastry chef and a gift certificate for the purchase of your own star in the Galaxy

- A gift box fit for a queen including Ladurée Macaroons, Trianon Palace's own anniversary fragrance created by up-and-coming perfume designer, Francis Kurkdjian, and bath oil
- A gift box fit for a king including a bottle of wine, Ladurée Macaroons and a book by Antonia Fraser titled, "Women in the Life of Louis XIV"
- Other seasonal options include tickets for events at the Chateau de Versailles, a picnic in the hotel gardens and tickets for the upcoming Murakami Exhibition at the Chateau de Versailles with a biography on the artist.

A special fragrance

"Nose superstar" Francis Kurkdjian has created a perfume especially for the Trianon Palace Versailles' 100th anniversary. The fragrance will be available to purchase at the hotel.

"100 seconds of emotions for your tastebuds"

Guests will find a delicious home-made sweet in their rooms upon arrival.

Flash sales

Starting on 4th May at 9 am, a new flash promotion will be available every month. Guests will only be able to reserve these promotions for four days. These promotions include:

- 4th May: 100 Suites available at €100 per person for the first 100 bookings
- 1st June: "Gordon Ramsay au Trianon", The first 100 guests to book this promotion will receive the 1910 anniversary menu at €100 per person (1910 menu regularly costs of €160 per person)
- 7th July: Children stay for FREE (2nd room for FREE when staying with parents) for the first 100 bookings
- 3rd August: Champagne Picnic and the Fountain Show in the Chateau de Versailles gardens, for the first 100 bookings
- 31st August: Pay for one and eat for two in La Veranda for the first 100 bookings* excluding drinks
- 5th October: A one hour spa treatment of your choice followed by a leisurely afternoon tea in the Gallery Bar. This includes the famous 100 year anniversary gateaux at €100 per person for the first 100 bookings
- 2nd November: 100 free upgrades to a Suite for the first 100 bookings
- 30th November: Christmas spectacular to be confirmed

Updates and reminders of all special promotions and events will be available online at www.trianonpalace.com – www.twitter.com/trianonpalace and www.facebook.com/trianonpalace

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