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Paradise defined

Patina Maldives, Fari Islands set to open spring 2021

Berlin, November 30, 2020 – Adventure. Freedom. Peace. Patina Maldives, scheduled to open in spring 2021, is pulling out all the stops in the creation of a new generation of resort for the conscious traveler. Multifaceted and fine-tuned down to the smallest detail, the Fari Islands hotel presents a revolutionized type of sanctuary; one where a reverence for pleasure, nourishment and activity reigns supreme alongside an authentic and genuinely considered respect for both local communities and ecosystems. The result will be a retreat in which everyone has space to thrive and where, against the sublime backdrop of an idyllic Maldivian landscape, a balance between sanctuary and stimulation is flawlessly struck. Buttressed by a catalogue of world-class facilities, resident creatives and visiting experts, Patina Maldives will undoubtedly lead the pack in a new and responsive cultivation of experience-led journeys and connection forging environments.

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Opening in spring 2021, Patina Maldives is set to embody a new kind of resort. In channeling equal focus into the creation of progressive experiences and the formation of spaces that surpass even The Maldives' exceptionally high standards, the debut property of this Capella Hotel Group concept will undoubtedly appeal to conscious travelers. Located on the Fari Islands in the North Malé Atoll, south of Helengeli, the sprawling resort will be an apt microcosm of Maldivian life; an incorporated community where white sand beaches abound alongside ocean views and a front row seat to the island's diverse nature. Where Patina will

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stand out from the crowd, however, is with its additional steps to ensure a seamless balance between social spaces and private sanctuaries amongst an impressive range of facilities, botanical gardens and the Fari Marina Village.

Designed by Studio MK27, led by Brazilian architect Marcio Kogan, the aesthetic of the entire resort will be rooted in a simple elegance, where architectural lines neatly align with the horizon and low open structures blur the boundaries between indoors and outdoors. A deliberate layering of organic wood, light and verdant gardens shaped by landscape designer Vladimir Djurovic will combine to create a network of serene spaces evenly scattered across the island. These will include 20 Fari Studios, and 90 beach and over-water villas across nine categories that range from One Bedroom Beach Pool Villas to the stunning three-bedroom Beach House, complete with its own rooftop terrace and expansive gardens.

Central to Patina's ethos is an acute understanding of the key priorities of modern travelers. As such, purpose- and mission-driven themes will be abundant throughout the grounds, especially with regards to sustainability and social responsibility. Discreet yet ubiquitous solar panels flow throughout the series of buildings in a visible commitment to renewable energy use, while the resort has pledged an unprecedented dedication to self-sufficiency. This will be most conspicuous in the presence of a cold dome where fruit and vegetables not native to the island will be grown on-site, lessening the reliance on imported produce.

With 12 restaurants in total, ranging from a plant-based concept to the Maldives' first and only Greek outlet, Patina has ensured that the isolated location will in no way impact the variety and availability of quality dining options. Bricks and mortar eateries will be supplemented by a series of food trucks dotted around the island and come evening, the Fari Beach Club will welcome guests with a cool and laidback vibe that epitomizes Patina's breezy atmosphere.

It will all be rounded out by a well-researched in-house culture program where proactive guests seeking less peace and more participation will be able to take pick from a schedule of Patina ambassador-hosted discussions, in-house art exhibitions, international DJ sets and workshops led by world-famous chefs. Topping it off is a light pavilion created by esteemed American artist James Turrell.

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