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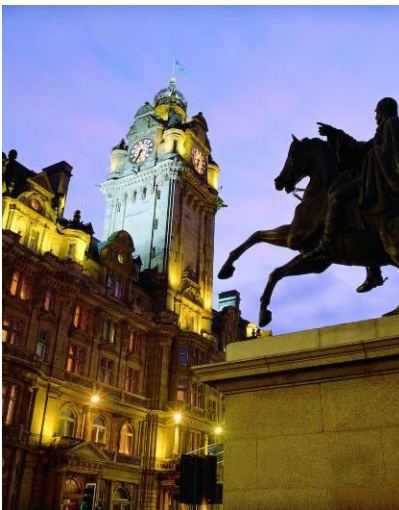


## The Leading Hotels of the World welcomes new members in France, Scotland, England and Brazil

London, November 2011 -- The Leading Hotels of the World, Ltd. is pleased to announce that it has recently accepted the following new member hotels:



Inside the Golden Triangle district of Bordeaux, the [Grand Hotel de Bordeaux & Spa](#) sits opposite the Grand Theatre with views over the Place de la Comédie. Designed by world-renowned Jacques Garcia, each of the 150 rooms and suites feature rich colour schemes echoing the hotel's 19<sup>th</sup> century nobility and elegance. Rooms are equipped with the latest flat-screen televisions, iPod docks and WiFi connections, while bathrooms feature Anne Semonin products and are finished with precious marbles. Dine at the Michelin-starred gourmet Le Pressoir d'Argent, or the more relaxed La Brasserie de l'Europe or L'Orangerie. The 1,000sqm Garcia-designed spa, Les Bains de Lea, offers an indoor pool, sauna, hammam, ice fountain and an extensive range of treatments. The hotel also offers 13 impressive banquet and conference rooms for meetings and social occasions.



With an enviable Princes Street postcode, the [Rocco Forte Balmoral Hotel](#) lies at the heart of Edinburgh's business and shopping district. An iconic hotel - the clock tower has been a city landmark for over 100 years - the Balmoral now boasts a contemporary vibe following an Olga Polizzi refurbishment. Modernising the 188 rooms and suites, Polizzi borrowed a blend of Scottish countryside colours, respecting the building's history and the views of Edinburgh Castle and Old Town. The Michelin-starred 'number one' offers gourmet dining, while Hadrian's provides the perfect blend of chic informal dining. Guests can enjoy afternoon tea in Palm Court, or drinks at the Bollinger Bar and Balmoral Bar. The Balmoral Spa by ESPA features 5 treatment rooms as well as a 15m pool and there are also 10 conference and banqueting suites.



Making a bold and contemporary architectural statement on the banks of Manchester's River Irwell, the [Rocco Forte Lowry Hotel](#) neighbours the city's landmark Trinity Bridge. The curved, glass-fronted façade gives the Lowry a cutting-edge feel and optimises the river views. Each of the 164 rooms and suites are equipped with satellite TV, iPod docks and high-speed Internet access and bathrooms are finished with Italian porcelain tiles and mosaic. Offering top-quality dining, The River Restaurant gives five-star flair to local, seasonal ingredients with classic British menus. Guests can enjoy a wide range of treatments in the Spa as well as relaxation rooms, sauna and gym, while conference facilities can accommodate up to 400 people.



With the tranquillity of its countryside setting, and set within 2,470 acres of verdant farmland an hour from São Paulo, [Fasano Boa Vista](#) – sister to hotels in Rio and São Paulo – is designed by renowned Brazilian architect Isay Weinfeld. Each of the 52 rooms and suites has a spacious balcony for outdoor living while guests can choose from dining options that include the Italian-oriented Fasano Hotel Restaurant and poolside Boa Vista Restaurant. Tee off on two 18-hole golf courses, spend a day horse-riding or explore the 14 lakes throughout the grounds. There is also a pool, children's farm and kids club, as well as a heliport with six helipads and VIP lounge.

#### **About The Leading Hotels of the World, Ltd.**

The Leading Hotels of the World, Ltd. is the largest luxury hospitality organization in the world, representing over 430 of the finest hotels, resorts and spas in over 80 countries. Its mission is to curate and champion an exclusive collection of independent properties, including grand palaces and intimate city hideaways, luxury tent enclaves and expansive self-contained resorts. Established in 1928 by several influential and forward-thinking European hoteliers, it started with 38 initial members. Its loyal customers demand levels of quality they have come to expect of the brand, while seeking authentic and enriching travel experiences. Leading Hotel members are utterly unique and boldly independent. To be considered for inclusion, a hotel must adhere to strict quality standards and master the art of extraordinary hospitality.

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