

## **W MALDIVES APPOINTS THOMAS VAUCOULEUR DE VILLE D'AVRAY AS GENERAL MANAGER**

**Tuesday, April 11, 2017** – W Maldives is thrilled to announce the appointment of its new General Manager, Thomas Vaucouleur de Ville d'Avray.

Thomas grew up in France and Japan and is a graduate of the Singapore Temasek Polytechnic Institute and completed various hospitality management courses with Cornell University.

The French national brings to W Maldives seventeen years of hospitality experience gained from a variety of executive and Food and Beverage management positions for prestigious brands across Japan, Asia, Europe, Middle East and the Maldives.

Prior to his relocation to the Maldives in 2015 for LVMH Cheval Blanc Randheli as Resident Manager, he assumed several executive positions with Hyatt International in Japan, Singapore, Hong Kong, Paris and the Philippines.

He joined The Four Seasons Cairo at Nile Plaza, Egypt, as Assistant Director of Food and Beverage prior to relocating to the Maldives for the first time in 2009 as Director of Food & Beverage for One & Only Reethi Rah. He then joined The Peninsula Bangkok in the same capacity and was later promoted to Executive Assistant Manager in Charge of Food & Beverage for The Peninsula Paris opening in 2014.

The newly appointed island leader is responsible for the overall operation of W Maldives, providing strategic and inspirational leadership to his onsite team and delivering distinguished W experience to the hotel guests and clients. Among other responsibilities, Thomas will oversee implementation of the annual business plan, annual operational and capital budgets, marketing and guest satisfaction.

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**About W Maldives**

Connect with your inner peace and go along with the pace of island life. Experience one of the 78 Retreats, either on the beachside or overwater giving you access to endless Indian Ocean views. Succumb to the dazzling blue waters, spectacular reefs and pristine sands in style and be at one with both body and soul. AWAY® Spa at W Maldives is the ultimate sanctuary for well-being with four overwater treatment villas, each with a private outdoor area and a range of treatments designed to remove all the stresses and strains of modern day city life.

**About W Hotels Worldwide**

W Hotels is a contemporary, design-led luxury lifestyle brand and the industry innovator with 47 hotels and retreats, including 17 W-branded residences, in the most vibrant cities and exotic destinations around the world. Inspiring, iconic, innovative and influential, W Hotels provides the ultimate in insider access, offering a unique mix of cutting-edge design and passions around fashion, music and entertainment. With 15 years of proven success, W Hotels is on track to reach more than 60 hotels by 2018. W Hotels have been announced for Shanghai, Tel Aviv, Abu Dhabi, Dubai, Amman, Jakarta, Panama, Muscat, Suzhou, Changsha, Chengdu, New Delhi, Kuala Lumpur, Shenyang, Marrakech and Brisbane, while upcoming W Retreats include Goa, Phuket, Hainan Island and Mexico's Riviera Maya.

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