

## W MALDIVES

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# W MALDIVES COLLABORATES WITH WORLD PASTRY CHAMPION JULIEN ALVAREZ

**Maldives, July 16, 2017:** W Maldives has partnered with World's Best Pastry Champion Julien Alvarez to host a series of culinary events on its tropical playground in September 2017. His signature style incorporates unique design of desserts, amazing combination of colours, tastes and impressive decoration techniques.

### The culinary week will include:

#### Tuesday, September 19

1:00PM-2:00PM / Pastry Masterclass at [KITCHEN](#) restaurant.

#### Wednesday, September 20

4:00PM-6:00PM / Afternoon team at [KADA](#) café.

From 6:00PM / Dessert menu takeover at [FISH](#) overwater specialty restaurant.

#### Thursday, September 21

From 6:00PM / Beach Market featuring live cooking show by Julien Alvarez himself.

#### Friday, September 22

From 6:00PM / Dessert menu takeover at FISH overwater specialty restaurant

### About Julien Alvarez

Born in Bergerac, France, the 29-year-old chef grew up in a rich culinary environment, where in 2002 he made his official pastry debut at his parent's restaurant. His first career achievements include the Best Apprentice of France, and an Assistant to the World Pastry Champion (2006) in Phoenix, USA. Julien has also participated in *Un des Meilleurs Ouvriers de France*, a famous craftsmen competition held exclusively in France every four years, where he met with well-known Franck Kestener, Bruno Montcoudiol, Stéphane Glacier, David Wesmael, and Franck Michel.

Julien also worked at Carles Mampel's patisserie *Bubó* in Barcelona, where he ignited his interest in international pastry competitions by taking part in the *Spanish World Chocolate Masters* in 2007, where he took 5<sup>th</sup> place.

In 2008 Julien assisted Philippe Conticini and Angelo Musa (MOF) in opening their first retail pastry store *La Pâtisserie des Rêves*. Then he also scooped the 3<sup>rd</sup> prize in the *Charles Proust Relais Desserts* competition.

In 2009-2013 Under the wing of Jean Michel Perruchon (MOF, Julien trained the young apprentices in Bellouet Conseil gastronomic school in Paris.

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In 2011 Chef Julien won *the Champion of the World* title in the most prestigious international contest *La Coup du Monde de la Patisserie* in 2011, which inspired him to become a self-employed trainer and consultant.

Nowadays Julien shares his professional expertise via writing culinary books, participating in TV shows, acting as a pastry stylist and consultant during the various pastry store and restaurant openings around the world.

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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 77 Escapes, 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**

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