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RWS breaks ground on new waterfront lifestyle development

The new waterfront lifestyle development at Singapore's first integrated resort, includes a striking new waterfront sculpture by Heatherwick Studio, will be a distinctive addition to the Singapore's skyline and a new jewel along the revamped Greater Southern Waterfront precinct.



Government officials as well as executives from Resorts World Sentosa (RWS) and China Metallurgical Group Corporation were at the groundbreaking ceremony of RWS' new waterfront lifestyle development. Left to right: Ranita Sundra, Executive Director, Infrastructure Planning and Management, Industry Development Group, Singapore Tourism Board; His Excellency Cao Zhong Ming, The Ambassador of the People's Republic of China to Singapore; Mr Tan Hee Teck, Chief Executive Officer of RWS; Mr Alvin Tan, Minister of State for Trade and Industry, and Culture, Community and Youth; Mr Chen Jian Guang, Chairman of China Metallurgical Group Corporation; Heah Soon Poh, Assistant Chief Executive, Sentosa Development Corporation; and Mr Zong Chang Qing, The Minister Counselor of the People's Republic of China to Singapore;

SINGAPORE, 15 November 2024 – Resorts World Sentosa (RWS, 圣淘沙名胜世界) today broke ground on its highly anticipated new waterfront lifestyle development. The groundbreaking event featured a symbolic shovel celebration officiated by Guest of Honour – Mr Alvin Tan, Minister of State for Trade and Industry, and Culture, Community and Youth, along with government officials, distinguished guests, as well as executives from RWS and China Metallurgical Group Corporation.

Marking this momentous milestone, the VIPs shovelled soil into pots containing *hopea odorata* that belong to the family of *Dipterocarp*, a species native to Singapore. These saplings will be cared for and nurtured in a nursery until the new outdoor oasis is ready to receive them. The symbolic

cultivation of the hopea odorata reflects RWS' commitment to sustainable growth, preserving nature, and the delivering of premium experiences that will define the new development.

Targeted to open by 2030, the spectacular waterfront development is set to redefine luxury and lifestyle for both new and returning guests. A defining feature of the new RWS, this transformation will rejuvenate the Greater Southern Waterfront and further strengthen its appeal as a premium lifestyle destination resort for locals and tourists.

The new waterfront development will feature a stunning waterfront promenade, a four-storey world-class retail and dining podium with entertainment offerings, as well as two new luxury hotels featuring 700 keys. Designed by the award-winning architectural firm, Benoy, the development will also include an immersive, experiential mountain trail. The heart of the new waterfront at the integrated resort will be further anchored by a sculptural masterpiece, envisioned in collaboration with the internationally renowned design and architecture firm Heatherwick Studio.

Mr Tan Hee Teck, Chief Executive Officer of RWS, (陈启德, 圣淘沙名胜世界行政总裁) stated: “The new waterfront lifestyle development underscores our steadfast commitment to bolster Singapore’s identity as a premier global lifestyle destination which will take RWS and Singapore into the next frontier of tourism in the coming years. As we celebrate today’s groundbreaking landmark event, we extend our deepest appreciation to our talented and dedicated team members, and loyal guests, as well as all our very supportive stakeholders from both the private and public sectors. They have all been instrumental in making RWS the resounding success it is today, since its opening in January 2010. With its bold, iconic design and distinctive offerings, this upcoming development project is like no other before it in Singapore or the region and will be a must-visit in the global tourism landscape.”

Transforming the RWS waterfront into an exciting day-to-night sustainable premier lifestyle venue



Resorts World Sentosa’s highly anticipated new waterfront lifestyle development is planned for a 2030 opening and is envisioned to set a new benchmark for Singapore and the Sentosa, positioning both as an iconic, must-visit lifestyle hub for international and local visitors.

Minister of State for Trade and Industry, and Culture, Community and Youth, Mr Alvin Tan, said, “The new waterfront lifestyle development is a key feature of RWS’ expansion and an exciting new

addition to Singapore’s vibrant tourism landscape. I look forward to its completion and the unique experiences it will offer to both international and local visitors.”



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ABOUT RESORTS WORLD SENTOSA

Resorts World Sentosa (RWS), Asia’s premium lifestyle destination resort, is located on Singapore’s resort island of Sentosa. Spanning 49 hectares, RWS is home to world-class attractions including Universal Studios Singapore, S.E.A. Aquarium, Dolphin Island and Adventure Cove Waterpark. Complementing the adventure and adrenaline of its theme parks and attractions are six unique luxury hotels, the premier Resorts World Convention Centre, and a casino. RWS offers award-winning dining experiences and exciting cuisines from around the world helmed by celebrity chefs, establishing itself as a key player in Singapore’s vibrant and diverse dining scene and a leading gourmet destination in Asia for epicureans. The integrated resort also offers world-class entertainment, from star-studded concerts to immersive exhibitions. RWS is the first integrated resort to be inducted into the TTG Travel Hall of Fame in 2023 after being named “Best Integrated Resort” for 10 consecutive years at the TTG Travel Awards, which recognises the best of Asia-Pacific’s travel industry.

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ANNEX – THE WATERFRONT LIFESTYLE DEVELOPMENT INFORMATION SHEET

The Iconic Sculpture

In collaboration with renowned Heatherwick Studio, a key landmark attraction at the new waterfront lifestyle development is an iconic 88-metres tall light sculpture. This new beacon serves as a shimmering meeting point for guests by day and comes alive at dusk presenting spectacular nightly performances.

This striking structure will be set within a generous open waterfront park that will revitalise Singapore's skyline and offer a new, elevated guest experience.

Featuring a vibrant, lushly shaded boulevard, the Waterfront Promenade will serve as an alluring lifestyle hub lined with diverse retail and dining options, and as a connector leading guests from the Sentosa Boardwalk into the resort and beyond.

Mountain Trail

For those seeking authentic and curated self-discovery experiences, they can take a scenic climb up the 88-metres-high mountain trail that highlights the beauty of nature and its biodiversity.

At the peak, visitors will be rewarded with sweeping, breathtaking views of Singapore's Central Business District from the south, as well as the Greater Southern Waterfront, Sentosa and beyond.

Meanwhile, a Sunset Trail guides guests back to the waterfront promenade through a series of curated environments designed to showcase the harmonious integration of man, nature, and technology.

Luxury Accommodation

The new waterfront development will see the addition of 700 keys in two new luxury hotels. They will complement the current repertoire of six premier hotel properties at RWS: Crockfords Tower (康乐福豪华酒店), Equarius Hotel (逸濠酒店), Equarius Villas (逸濠别墅), Hotel Michael (迈克尔酒店), Hotel Ora (欧芮酒店), and another luxury hotel set to launch in 2025.

Sustainability

The waterfront development will incorporate the latest sustainability principles and innovations whilst aspiring to be a vibrant showcase for sustainable tourism. The waterfront lifestyle complex will aspire to attain BCA Green Mark Platinum certification. Resorts World Sentosa is planning to use low carbon concrete for its structure, and this endeavour is expected to reduce embodied carbon by 29,500 tco₂e, equivalent to over 15,000 four-room public housing flats.

Renewable energy generation will be supported through installing solar panels at available solar-exposed areas, and fast-charging electric vehicle stations will be available for visitors. Rainwater will be collected and reused for irrigation. The waterfront lifestyle complex is also designed to optimise daylight, thereby, minimising use of electric lighting.

In addition, as a mark of Resorts World Sentosa's endeavour to embed sustainability in the design and development of the waterfront lifestyle development, the VIPs shovelled soil into pots containing *hopea odorata* that belong to the family of Dipterocarp, native to Singapore. These plants will be cared for and nurtured in a nursery until the new outdoor oasis is ready to receive them.

The Dipterocarps are a family of hardwood trees that occur in tropical forests across the world. Dipterocarps often make up the largest proportion of trees in mature forests, and are among the emergent trees in the canopy. Their mighty presence provides important habitats for animals living in the forest, in addition, to producing fruits, pollen, and nectar for them.