

CONCIERGE

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SOFITEL
HOTELS & RESORTS

LONDON ST JAMES

DEAR GUESTS

We wish you an enjoyable stay at one of Sofitel's luxury addresses, a symbol of French elegance around the world. This letter presents the Sofitel programme for the month of February. We are delighted to recommend some Magnifique local events related to Sofitel Art de vivre: culture, design and gastronomy. Please feel free to contact our dedicated Concierge team.

Joe Rodrigues,
Les Clefs d'Or Head Concierge



HOTEL EVENTS NEWS

VALENTINE'S DAY MENU

Celebrate Valentine's Day at the Balcon and enjoy an exceptional five-course experience in elegant surroundings.

Using local produce, the Head Chef, Simon Woodrow has prepared a delectable dinner with a French touch and offers dishes such as "Wild mushroom ravioli with a mushroom and hay broth", "Saddle of rabbit with shoulder cottage pie" and "Rose and raspberry white chocolate ganache".

To end the evening, you can venture to the chic and cosy St James Bar, the ideal spot to linger over our special "La vie en rose" cocktail with Belvedere vodka, St Germain liqueur, Peychaud's bitters, rose water, white tea syrup and raspberry eau de vie for a perfect pink cocktail!

CITY EVENT

ANDY WARHOL POLAROID PICTURES

02/02/2019 – 13/04/2019
BASTIAN GALLERY

This inaugural exhibition positions the artist as both subject and spectator, and illustrates Warhol's expertise as a chronicler of his time, with an intimate portrayal of New York in the 1970s and 80s.

The series includes over 60 portrait and self-portrait Polaroid photographs, some of which have never been exhibited before, and include artists, actors, politicians and friends of his famed Factory studio.



CITY EVENT

THE LONDON CLASSIC CAR SHOW

14/02/2019 – 17/02/2019
EXCEL LONDON

The London Classic Car Show is a unique event for any classic car owner, collector or enthusiast. Taking place at the ExCel exhibition halls, it is established as one of the UK's best classic car event, with more than 800 historic cars to discover.

The show features an indoor driving runway where you can see the cars in action! It's also a great opportunity to meet the world's best manufacturers, clubs and collectors.



CITY EVENT

CHRISTIAN DIOR: DESIGNER OF DREAMS

02/02/2019 – 14/07/2019
VICTORIA & ALBERT MUSEUM

With 500 objects curated, spanning a 70 year period to the present day, this is the largest exhibition on the House of Dior ever staged in the UK. As well as Dior's impact on the fashion house as one of the 20th century's most influential couturiers, the exhibition also looks at the 6 artistic directors who succeeded him, including Yves Saint Laurent.

Ensembles will be shown alongside accessories, fashion photography, film, perfume, make-up, illustrations and magazines.



TOURISM INTEREST

NELSON MANDELA: THE OFFICIAL EXHIBITION

08/02/2019 – 08/04/2019
LEAKE STREET WATERLOO

In a series of experiential galleries, this major new exhibition portrays the life of the world's most famous freedom fighter and political leader.

With exclusive stories from Madiba himself, his family and those that knew him best, this is a powerful exploration of the human capacity to triumph over adversity, and brings the visitor closer to Mandela.



ORCHIDS FESTIVAL

09/02/2019 – 10/03/2019
KEW GARDENS



Kew Gardens celebrates the incredible biodiversity of Colombia for the annual Orchid Festival.

Step into a vibrant display of orchids showcasing the spectacular landscapes and species of Colombia.

The visit will transport you to a carnival of animals, and bring to life the breath-taking rainbow river, Cano Cristales, and Colombia's spectacular forests.

LONDON FASHION WEEK FESTIVAL

16/02/2019 – 17/02/2019
STORE STUDIOS

This year, London Fashion Week introduces a new format event, taking place within the official Show Space in The Store X, 180 Strand.

Become a fashion insider with exclusive designers' catwalks, outstanding talks and interviews with key fashion industry experts. It is also an opportunity to shop designer collections at exclusive prices!



"TIME FOR US" AT SOSPA



February is the month of love, and for the occasion Jaunita, our SoSPA Manager, has put together "Time For Us", a dedicated package, to make sure you are feeling relaxed and properly pampered for Valentine's Day.

On arrival, you and your loved one will be treated to a refreshing hibiscus tea before taking advantage of your own Jacuzzi, followed by an hour-long relaxing couples' massage.

After, enjoy an express manicure, a well-deserved glass of Champagne – and voilà! You will be ready and refreshed for date night.

LIFE IS MAGNIFIQUE...

IN AUSTRALIA

FOCUS ON SOFITEL MELBOURNE ON COLLINS HOTEL

Sofitel Melbourne On Collins is located in the heart of the shopping, dining and theatre area, and in walking distance from the famous Cricket Ground.

The award-winning hotel blends French art de vivre with cosmopolitan Australian style and offers 363 luxurious rooms, floor-to-ceiling windows and breath-taking views overlooking the city.

Experience the sophisticated design of the impressive Club Lounge or enjoy modern local cuisine in No35 followed by cocktails in the Atrium Bar.

February is the ideal month to discover this vibrant city when summer is only starting!

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SHOPPING ADDRESSES

AT THE MOVIES

18 THAYER ST, MARYLEBONE
TUBE: MARYLEBONE

If you are looking for a poster of your favourite film, "At The Movies" is the place to go. This independent shop is specialised in original vintage and modern film posters.

As they work with actual theatre-used materials, you can access exclusive and limited edition posters, all in excellent condition, and in various languages.



THE VINTAGE SHOWROOM

14 EARLHAM ST, COVENT GARDEN
TUBE: COVENT GARDEN

Formed in 2007, the Vintage Showroom is one of the leading providers of vintage menswear with an extensive archive, including denim, jackets, objects, and much more.

The company is structured into three parts; a showroom available on appointments only on Portobello Dock, a retail store on Earlam Street, and a worldwide consultancy service.



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