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# Wolfgang Puck To Launch New, Reimagined Spago At Bellagio Resort & Casino In Las Vegas

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Stunning Bellagio Fountain Views and Chic Design will Create Ultimate Fine Dining Ambiance for Chef Wolfgang Puck's Celebrated Contemporary California Cuisine

LAS VEGAS, Aug. 21, 2017 / PRNewswire / -- Wolfgang Puck's legendary flagship restaurant **Spago**, recognized for igniting Las Vegas's dining scene into a culinary epicenter, will open its doors at <u>Bellagio Resort & Casino</u> in spring 2018. Marking 25 years since the fine-dining phenomenon debuted in Las Vegas, Puck's now revolutionary restaurant heralded the era of celebrity chefs and haute cuisine that continues to define the city's restaurant scene today.

The new restaurant will offer an elevated experience, featuring an open-air patio with prime views of the iconic Fountains of Bellagio.

"Just as Spago is credited with beginning the Las Vegas culinary revolution, Bellagio transformed the casino-resort industry when it opened with the first collection of world-famous chefs and restaurants," said Wolfgang Puck. "My partners and I are thrilled to join the Bellagio family and introduce our new Spago to the thousands of international guests the resort welcomes daily. We reimagined Spago in Beverly Hills more than 20 years ago and look forward to doing the same in Las Vegas."

Bellagio President and COO Randy Morton said, "Wolfgang Puck is known worldwide for delivering exceptional restaurant hospitality. From cuisine to service and, of course, style, he is intricately involved in all aspects of the business, providing first-class culinary experiences for his guests. Puck's high standards are the same as those to which we hold our resort culinary program, making this an ideal partnership to continue elevating our dining scene."

Globally influenced seasonal fare and signature Wolfgang Puck touches, such as gourmet pizzas topped with salmon and caviar, will be the focus of Spago's market-driven menus, which will be presented with the outstanding level of

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service for which the restaurant is known. For lunch and dinner, guests will have the option to choose from an à la carte menu or explore the best of the West with Puck's multi-course California Tasting Menu. A special bar menu of Wolfgang Puck favorites also will be available, along with an artisanal cocktail program and extensive international wine list to accompany the chef's culinary masterpieces.

Designed by architects Massimiliano Locatelli and Annamaria Scevola of CLS Architetti, and inspired by Spago's original flagship location in Beverly Hills, the new venue will have a sleek look and feel. Guests will enter the venue from <u>Via Bellagio</u> on the resort's north side, arriving into Spago's chic lounge and bar. Adorned with brass fixtures, rich smoked-oak wood floors, leather chairs and couches, the focal point will be a spectacular bar and wine room lit by a stunning neon light fixture commissioned for the space.

In the main dining room, beautiful floor-to-ceiling floating glass windows will surround the space, imparting picturesque views of Bellagio's famed lake. Two exquisite chandeliers will highlight the room's modern art pieces, while bold accents featuring rich hues of black iron, velvet walnut and polished grey will express a contemporary aesthetic.

The restaurants most coveted seats will undoubtedly be on the patio, where guests will enjoy a front row view of the magnificent Bellagio Fountains as they dine al fresco.

The restaurant takes the place of Todd English's Olives, which will close this winter.

#### **BELLAGIO**

Inspired by the beautiful villages of Europe, the AAA Five Diamond Bellagio Resort & Casino overlooks a Mediterranean-blue, 8 ½-acre lake, where fountains perform a magnificent aquatic ballet choreographed to music and lights. Within Bellagio are award-winning dining experiences including two AAA Five Diamond restaurants, Julian Serrano's Picasso and Le Cirque from the renowned Maccioni family. Bellagio is home to an impressive collection of luxury retailers including Valentino, Louis Vuitton, Giorgio Armani, Gucci, Tiffany & Co., Breguet, Prada, Chanel, Dior, Fendi, Bottega Veneta, Hermès, SJP by Sarah Jessica Parker and OMEGA. A world-class art gallery, the exquisite Conservatory & Botanical Gardens, the stunning "0" by Cirque du Soleil, a luxurious spa and salon, dynamic nightlife at The Bank, Hyde Bellagio and Lily Bar & Lounge and an elegant casino all add to the extraordinary Bellagio experience. Bellagio is an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of MGM Resorts International (NYSE: MGM). For more information and reservations, visit bellagio.com, call toll free at (888) 987-6667or find us on Facebook and Twitter.

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