Radisson Blu Royal Hotel Expands In Bergen



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Rezidor Hotel Group has announced the expansion of the Royal Hotel in Bergen.

The Royal Hotel, which currently includes 273 rooms, will be completely renovated and expanded by an additional 71 rooms to bring it up to a total of 344 hotel rooms. Work on site is scheduled to start in early 2010, and the new rooms will be ready in 2013. The hotel will however remain open throughout this period.

Situated in Bryggen on the eastern side of the fjord, the Royal Hotel is already a well known landmark in the important cultural hub of Bergen, the 'Gateway to the Fjords'. Bergen is the second largest city in Norway and was awarded the status of European Capital of Culture in 2000. Nestled between forested mountains and enchanting lakes, the town offers a wealth of activities to tempt tourists, including skiing, hiking, fishing and boating.

The tranquil and picturesque Royal Hotel is ideally situated near to all the city's greatest attractions including the famous fish market, the funicular railway and the Grieg Hall, and is also located in the middle of the Hanseatic wooden buildings which make up a UNESCO World Cultural Heritage Site.

When the renovation and expansion has been completed the hotel will include a series of new and upgraded guest facilities like the renovated Madam Felle restaurant which will be available all day, the Beffen Bar and Engelen Nightclub. The hotel's new conference facilities will

receive some changes too, with the inclusion of an expanded ballroom and 17 state of the art meeting rooms.

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