Condé Nast Traveller Innovation & Design Awards Shortlist Revealed



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Condé Nast has announced the shortlist for its fourth annual Condé Nast Traveller Innovation & Design Awards, once again in association with Marriott Hotels & Resorts

Irrespective of why, where and how a person travels, great design and innovative thinking can enhance their overall experience, whether it is applied to <u>luxury holidays</u> airplanes, trains, museums, restaurants, the shops people seek out, bags they pack or the gadgets they tap on or tune into. The Condé Nast Traveller's fourth <u>Innovation and Design Awards</u> celebrates excellence across ten categories ranging from sustainability to transport.

Each of the categories was researched by the <u>CNTraveller</u> team, and then an expert panel of judges was asked to draw up a shortlist in each of the 10 categories. This year's judges included the likes of Loyd Grossman, internationally acclaimed chef Heston Blumenthal; Brent Hoberman, the cofounder of Lastminute.com; along with industry journalists and editors and influential members of the arts like of Sir Nicholas Serota Director of TATE.

The ten judging categories for this year's awards cover: Transport, Style on the Move, Retail, Sustainable, Infrastructure, Communications Technology, Culture, Leisure, Aviation and Gourmet

All of the shortlists have been published in a special supplement in the May 2010 issue of Condé Nast Traveller (UK Editions only) and online through the Condé Nast Traveller website where the global readership has been invited to vote for its choice of winner in each of the 10 categories. The winners in each category will then be invited to collect their awards on stage when they are announced at the Innovation and Design Awards ceremony at Renaissance Chancery Court London on Monday 10th May 2010.

Notes to editors:

About Marriott International:

Marriott International, Inc. (NYSE:MAR) is a leading lodging company with more than 3,400 lodging properties in 68 countries and territories. Marriott International operates and franchises hotels under the Marriott, JW Marriott, The Ritz-Carlton, Renaissance, Residence Inn, Courtyard, TownePlace Suites, Fairfield Inn, SpringHill Suites and Bulgari brand names; develops and operates vacation ownership resorts under the Marriott Vacation Club, The Ritz-Carlton Destination Club, and Grand Residences by Marriott brands; licenses and manages whole-ownership residential brands, including The Ritz-Carlton Residences, JW Marriott Residences, and Marriott Residences; operates Marriott Executive Apartments; provides furnished corporate housing through its Marriott ExecuStay division; and operates conference centers.

About Conde Nast Traveller:

Condé Nast Traveller is the world's most discerning travel title. There are currently five editions of the travel magazine available, with Condé Nast Traveller India the 6th edition, launching Autumn 2010. The first edition of the magazine, launched in the United States in 1987, has been the recipient of six National Magazine Awards, the highest honour in magazine publishing, while the UK edition, launched in 1997, has won numerous accolades including the PPA Consumer Lifestyle Magazine of the Year on two occasions. Condé Nast, a division of Advance Publications, sets the benchmark for magazine publishing excellence. Condé Nast currently operates in 25 countries, publishing 126 magazines, and with 98 innovative websites from Condé Nast Digital. Recent launches include GQ in China, Wired in the UK and Italy, and Vogue in Turkey.

Sarah Miller, Editor of Condé Nast Traveller, is available for interview.

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