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PALM SPRING HOTEL COMPLETES MAJOR LOBBY AND RESTAURANT RENOVATION

The Courtyard Palm Springs Hotel's new design features high tech GoBoard®, flexible work and social spaces, and 24/7 food and beverage market.

Palm Springs, CA – Marriott International, Inc. announced that the 149-room Courtyard by Marriott Palm Springs Hotel has completed a major renovation of its lobby. This <u>Palm Springs airport hotel</u> now features the brand's new Refreshing Business lobby concept, designed to give travelers the flexibility to work and socialize however they choose while on the road. The new design includes cosmetic changes in addition to new technological gadgets and layout aimed to help guests navigate their environment.

"From day one, Courtyard has prided itself as a brand that listens to what travelers want from a hotel," said Janis Milham, vice president, Global Brand Manager, Courtyard by



Marriott. "Guests want more control and choice with services and amenities that create a healthy balance between working and relaxing. We redefined the Courtyard lobby so it invites guests to get out of their rooms to work, socialize or for entertainment, whether traveling alone or with colleagues."

The open, bright and contemporary new Palm Springs airport hotel lobby welcomes guests with vivid contrasting colors, including blue, green, orange and red. The traditional front desk is replaced with separate welcome pedestals to create more personal and private interactions when guests check in. This will allow staff to move about to show guests the lobby features and provide assistance. Flexible seating options range from a communal table in the middle of the action, to more private media booths with high-definition televisions, to a more intimate, semienclosed lounge area.

A signature element of the new lobby is the exclusive GoBoard[®] technology, a 52-inch LCD touch screen packed with local information, maps, weather, and news, business and sports headlines. Guests can navigate using the touch screen to find restaurants and local attractions near this Palm Springs, California hotel. The GoBoard[®] also allows guests to print out directions.

Guests can connect to free Wi-Fi and there are ample electrical outlets throughout the lobby to power digital devices. The enlarged business library features several complimentary computer terminals along with a free printer and separate computer stations dedicated to printing airline boarding passes and checking flight status.

Dining has been completely redesigned with The Bistro – Eat. Drink. Connect.; offering casual, flexible seating; easier access to food and higher quality, healthier menu options for breakfast; and light evening fare, including snacks, wine and beer so guests can unwind. The MarketTM, a 24/7 shop for snacks, beverages and sundries, is always open for late-night cravings or the toothpaste you forgot to pack.

Green has been Courtyard's signature color since Marriott launched the brand 25 years ago. Now it is even greener with the introduction of a guest recycling program for the environment. Receptacles for paper, glass, plastic and metal will be conveniently located by side exits.

About the Courtyard Palm Springs Hotel

The Courtyard Palm Springs hotel by Marriott puts guests near great attractions, local restaurants and the Palm Springs International Airport. Few hotels in Palm Springs CA can offer such easy access to over a hundred golf courses, visiting nearby Mt. San Jacinto aboard the Palm Springs Aerial Tramway, or shopping at over 1,000 retail destinations. Business travelers will enjoy their room's large work desks at this Palm Springs Airport hotel, and when it is time to relax, everyone will enjoy an outdoor pool, Jacuzzi and on-site workout facility. All of these amenities are just a mile from the airport and near some of the best restaurants and theaters in the area. Whether visiting to work or play, guests know that Courtyard Palm Springs hotel by Marriott is the place to stay.

Courtyard by Marriott offers a refreshing environment that helps guests stay connected, productive and balanced. Intuitive services and design accommodate guests' needs for choice and control. With more than 860 locations in 30 countries, Courtyard is Marriott's largest brand. All Courtyard by Marriott hotels participate in the award-winning Marriott Rewards frequent travel program that allows members to earn hotel points or airline miles for every dollar spent during each stay. For more information, including guest guided video tours of the new lobby and the latest brand information, visit www.gocourtyard.com. For reservations, go to www.courtyard.com or contact a travel professional

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