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PALM DESERT RESORT CELEBRATES RECOGNITION AS A TOP TENNIS DESTINATION WITH HOTEL DEAL JW Marriott Desert Springs Resort & Spa Named a Top 50 Resort For Tennis By Tennis Magazine And Creates Special Offer For Tennis Fans



Palm Desert, CA – In honor of netting a prestigious nod from a national sports magazine, the JW Marriott Desert Springs Resort & Spa will offer tennis players a deal that they will surely love.

Editors at *Tennis Magazine* recently named the luxurious <u>Palm</u> <u>Desert resort</u> as one of the Top 50 American Resorts for the sport in 2012. Its Tennis & Lawn Club, which houses 15 hard-surface courts, three clay courts and two stadium grass courts, was featured in the March 2012 edition. The club also holds the honor of being one of the Top 100 Resorts in the World from *Racquet*

Magazine and is No. 15 in the world according to www.tennisresortsonline.com.

The resort's Peter Burwash International tennis program also has received top honors. The comprehensive program provides tennis management and instructors to the finest clubs and resorts worldwide. The program also plays host every Saturday through April to the "PBI Tennis Show." The family-friendly entertainment billed as the "Harlem Globetrotters of Tennis" combines racquet and ball control skills set to music with some humor and educational tips sprinkled in.

To celebrate all of these accolades, tennis enthusiasts can now book a special <u>Palm Springs vacation package</u> featuring deluxe accommodations at the luxury Palm Springs-area hotel with their Top Tennis Clinic for 2 Package. The deal features comfortable oversized rooms sporting plush bedding, CD players and elegant bathrooms with granite, limestone and Italian marble from \$279 to \$549 per night. Guests also receive a one-hour tennis clinic for two, ball machine rental and court fees.

There is no minimum night stay, so passionate players can book their Palm Springs vacation package using the promotional code ES2 from now through the end of 2012.

About the JW Marriott Desert Springs Resort & Spa

The JW Marriott Desert Springs Resort & Spa, in the heart of California's Coachella Valley and just about 20 minutes from Palm Springs, is framed by three majestic mountain ranges. The AAA Four-Diamond Palm Desert resort is one of the largest complexes in the southwestern United States and features 884 guest rooms and suites, swimming pools, lakes and lush gardens. Guest rooms include separate tubs and showers, CD players and private balconies. The resort boasts an award-winning spa along with two Ted Robinson championship golf courses, an 18-hole putting course, 20 tennis courts, basketball courts, lawn croquet and biking. For information, visit www.marriott.com/CTDCA.

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