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# JW MARRIOTT SAN ANTONIO HILL COUNTRY RESORT & SPA HONORS MILITARY AND FISHER HOUSE FOUNDATION

Resort in San Antonio, TX offers military significant savings and hosts a special fundraiser to support wounded soldiers.

**SAN ANTONIO** – The <u>JW Marriott San Antonio Hill Country Resort & Spa</u> is launching two special programs to support the U.S. military and Fisher House Foundation. Veteran's Day weekend will kick-off the third annual Salute to Service program, a resort tradition that honors those who serve and protect our country. Salute to Service offers special room and golf rates to active and retired U.S. military members and currently employed civil first responders.

Room rates at \$106 per night per room are available for stays beginning Veteran's Day, Nov. 11, 2012 through Jan. 3, 2013. The same package with unlimited golf for one person is available for \$189 per night. These special offers are available to be booked now through Dec. 30 and represent a 65 to 75 percent savings. This special rate is the lowest offered by the resort all year.

Active duty and retired members of the military and civil first responders (fire, police, paramedics) are asked to request the <u>Salute to Service hotel package</u> (rate code: GOV) when they make their room reservations at <u>www.marriott.com/satjw</u> or by calling the toll-free telephone number, 866-882-4420. A military or service I.D. is required at check-in. All rates are plus taxes and resort fee.

In addition, the JW Marriott San Antonio Hill Country Resort & Spa will also host a special gala event Friday, Nov. 9, 2012 to raise funds to build the new Fisher House for the Audie Murphy VA Hospital Polytrauma Unit in San Antonio. JW Marriott San Antonio Hill Country Resort & Spa presents: A Salute to Fisher House is part of the Greater San Antonio Chamber of Commerce's Celebrate America's Military program. The event will feature Emmy award winning television personality Montel Williams as master of ceremonies and entertainment by country music star, Rodney Atkins. Visit www.fisherhouse.org for more information or contact Mary Considine at 240-599-2470 or mconsidine@fisherhouse.org.

The net proceeds of **JW Marriott San Antonio Hill Country Resort & Spa presents: A Salute to Fisher House** will benefit the construction of the new Audie Murphy Fisher House in San Antonio scheduled to open spring of 2013. The recently opened Polytrauma Rehabilitation Center on the campus of the South Texas Veterans Health Care System (Audie Murphy Division) treats service members who have suffered severe multiple traumatic injuries while serving our country. This is one of only five VA Polytrauma Centers in the U.S., and the only one that does not have a Fisher House.

The 16-suite Fisher House will provide lodging completely free of charge to families during their stay, playing a critical role in supporting the recovery of these brave wounded warriors. This new Fisher House will be the eighth in San Antonio – creating the largest concentration of Fisher Houses in a single city in the world!

"Nowhere else in the world can you find the caliber and range of world-class military and VA health care as in San Antonio," according to Arthur Coulombe, general manager of the JW Marriott San Antonio and 2013 President-elect of the Greater San Antonio Chamber of Commerce. "The JW Marriott and its associates are very proud to continue our support of our military and participate in this historic endeavor for Fisher House Foundation. Our brave wounded warriors need family by their side to face the challenges of rehabilitation. Only a Fisher House can support them with a 'home-away-from-home' completely free of charge. We ask our community and corporate partners to consider supporting this critical cause."

Set on 600 picturesque acres of rolling hills, meandering creeks and Live Oak trees the JW Marriott San Antonio Hill Country Resort & Spa was recently named a *Travel + Leisure's* 2012 T+L 500 World's Best Hotel and 2012 Top 10 Hotel for Value Overall.

## The Ultimate Golf Experience

TPC San Antonio at the JW Marriott San Antonio Hill Country is pleased to be included among the best courses in America. In addition to being named a Top 75 Golf Resort by *Golf Digest* and one of the Best Courses You Can Play by *Golf Week*, the PGA Tour chooses to stop here twice a year for the PGA TOUR Valero Texas Open and the AT&T Championship. (Only Pebble Beach and Sawgrass are similarly honored). The Pete Dye-designed Canyons course is perfect for the casual player, while the Greg Norman-designed Oaks course is as challenging as it is scenic. The club is private and only accessible to members and resort guests.

## Exhilarating Features for the Entire Family

Day or night, resort activities will keep guests of all ages entertained. The River Bluffs Water Experience, a six-acre water park, includes thrilling water rides and multiple activity pools. All are heated for year-round enjoyment. Other unique activities include Segway tours, trail bike rides, GPS ecoventures, evening s'mores at the fire pits, star-gazing parties and nightlife nature walks.

#### Relaxation and Rejuvenation

For those who need a recharge, the Resort's 26,000 square-foot Lantana Spa offers 30 treatment rooms and a complete fitness center and movement studio featuring yoga and fitness classes. Spa guests will enjoy the peaceful serenity of the spa's heated, lagoon-like pool, healthy refreshments at Replenish Spa Bistro or the perfect indulgence at the spa's boutique.

#### Cuisine – Texas Style, Mexico Certified

The JW Marriott San Antonio Hill Country Resort & Spa offers fresh, sustainable, and organic fare at seven distinct dining options. 18 Oaks, at the TPC San Antonio clubhouse showcases traditional steakhouse prime cuts and sweeping views of the AT&T Oaks Course. High Velocity Sports Bar, the Resort's media rich sports venue, places guests right in the middle of the action with wall-to-wall multi-media screens. Cibolo Moon, the resort's main restaurant, offers guests an authentic taste of Texas and a true Mexico Tequila experience. Cibolo Moon is the first restaurant in Texas to become "T" certified by the Consejo Regulador del Tequila (CRT) or Tequila Regulatory Council of Mexico. The signature Tequila bar features more than 100 Tequilas, and specializes in infusions formulated by the resident Tequila master.

#### JW Marriott Hotels & Resorts

JW Marriott is part of Marriott International's luxury portfolio and consists of beautiful properties in gateway cities and distinctive resort locations around the world. These elegant hotels cater to today's sophisticated, self-assured travelers, offering them the quiet luxury they seek in a warmly authentic, relaxed atmosphere lacking in pretense. JW Marriott properties artfully provide highly crafted, anticipatory experiences that are reflective of their locale so that their guests have the time to focus on what is most important to them. Currently, there are 46 JW Marriott hotels in 19 countries; by 2013 the portfolio will encompass 72 properties in 27 countries.