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## HOTEL MURANO EARNS FOUR STARS FROM FORBES TRAVEL GUIDE FOR 2014 The artful Tacoma property is celebrating with a luxurious Four Star Experience package.

Tacoma, Wash. — January 22, 2014 — Forbes Travel Guide unveiled its annual list of top rated hospitality establishments today and Hotel Murano, with four stars for the second year in a row, is one of only five properties in the state of Washington to receive the coveted designation. Forbes Travel Guide's ratings are the gold standard for hospitality excellence and, in celebration of the recognition, Hotel Murano is giving travelers a golden opportunity to experience world-class service and style with a Four Star Experience package featuring an overnight stay in art-filled accommodations, bubbly, gourmet chocolates, breakfast for two and valet parking.

"We are delighted and humbled to bring this award back to Tacoma," said Bashar Wali, President of Provenance Hotels. "Forbes Travel Guide is a global authority on the world's best travel experiences and Hotel Murano is keeping impressive company on this list."

Located in the heart of Tacoma's downtown museum district, Hotel Murano offers an artful twist on the luxury hotel experience. The city is the epicenter of the American art glass movement and glass art is deeply integrated into the function and design of the hotel with works by more than 45 artists from around the world showcased throughout the public spaces and on every guest room floor. The property is a member of Provenance Hotels, a collection of art-inspired urban boutique hotels, and boasts the brand's signature lifestyle amenities, such as a comprehensive pet program and innovative spiritual menus.

For a detailed explanation of how Forbes Travel Guide compiles its star ratings and to view the complete list of 2013 Forbes Travel Guide Star Award winners, visit <a href="https://www.forbestravelguide.com">www.forbestravelguide.com</a>.

Travelers who want to experience a Forbes Four Star quality getaway, can book Hotel Murano's Four Star Experience package. Available now through May 31, 2014 and priced from \$259 per night, plus tax, it includes overnight accommodations, breakfast for two, valet parking, wifi, house-made, glass-inspired chocolates and a bottle of sparkling wine or cider. Travelers can book at <a href="https://www.hotelmuranotacoma.com/tacoma-hotel-specials">www.hotelmuranotacoma.com/tacoma-hotel-specials</a> or by calling 866-986-8083.

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## **About Hotel Murano**

Centrally located at 1320 Broadway Plaza in downtown Tacoma, the 2012 Condé Nast Traveler Gold List award-winning Hotel Murano is unique in the Northwest with art-inspired design and a focus on personal service. The 320-room hotel offers indulgent but essential amenities including Savi Day Spa; BITE restaurant; Provenance Hotels' signature Pillow, Spiritual and iPod menus; and a "Help Me" button on every hotel phone for the most whimsical desire or everyday need. Hotel Murano can be reached by calling 253-238-8000 or found online at www.murano.com.

## **About Forbes Travel Guide**

Forbes Travel Guide, formerly Mobil Travel Guide and originator of the prestigious Five Star ratings and certifications, has provided the travel industry's most comprehensive ratings and reviews of hotels, restaurants and spas since 1958. Forbes Travel Guide has a team of expert inspectors who anonymously evaluate properties against rigorous and objective standards, providing consumers the insight to make better-informed travel and leisure decisions. The information gathered from the inspectors' visits can be found along with content by curated hospitality experts, tastemakers, Forbes Travel Guide editors and correspondents at Startle.com, online home of Forbes Travel Guide.

## **About Provenance Hotels**

Provenance Hotels are award-winning urban boutique hotels with a distinct and deeply integrated art story. They include Hotel deLuxe, Hotel Lucia and the Governor Hotel in Portland, Ore., Hotel Max in Seattle, Wash., Hotel Murano in Tacoma, Wash., and Hotel Preston in Nashville, Tenn. Provenance Hotels can be found online at www.provenancehotels.com.