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DON YOUR DIRNDL & LEDERHOSEN! THE 26TH MARCO POLO GERMAN BIERFEST GETS READY TO ROCK HONG KONG



18 September 2017, Hong Kong SAR, China – A signature event since its inception in 1992, the 26th Marco Polo German Bierfest kicks off on 20 October and will run for 23 consecutive nights until 11 November. The event – which garnered the Gold Award for Hong Kong’s ‘Best Outdoor Events: Arts, Leisure and Entertainment’ at The Marketing Events Awards 2017 organised by Marketing Magazine – brings a carnival-like experience to a unique outdoor setting at Marco Polo Hongkong Hotel, against the breathtaking backdrop of Victoria Harbour.

Partygoers at Hong Kong’s longest-running outdoor Oktoberfest get dressed up in traditional lederhosen and dirndl creating a wonderfully authentic ambience. The nightly fun hits a high note when Die Notenhobler band from Germany plays folk and oompah tunes and hosts interactive dancing and drinking games. Along with a variety of entertainment, guests can enjoy authentic Bavarian dishes, including the best crispy pork knuckles in Hong Kong, freshly cooked nightly – and, of course, the finest German beers

Most Popular Beer – Erdinger Weißbräu

Marco Polo German Bierfest proudly serves the highly popular **ERDINGER** beer. The world-famous German brewery has been creating superb wheat beers since 1886, including **Erdinger Weissbier** with citrusy notes and a fresh after-taste, and the full-bodied **Erdinger Dunkel**. Marco Polo German Bierfest is also the only venue in Hong Kong to exclusively offer **Fischer's Helles**, known for its clean malt flavour.



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Plus, there will be limited quantities of the special-edition **Erdinger Oktoberfest**, with a gold colour and seasonal fruit notes, that is produced once a year for the festival, ensuring guests enjoy a genuine Oktoberfest vibe in Hong Kong.

There are many ways to say "Prost" at the Marco Polo German Bierfest! In addition to beer, there's a wide selection of other beverages, such as Jägermeister, Jägerbomb, red and white wines, plus the newly added Gin and Tonic. Non-alcoholic energy drinks, juices and soft drinks are also available.

Guten Appetit!

Last year, Marco Polo German Bierfest served more than 48,700 litres of beer, 14,800 pretzels and 11,300 roast pork knuckles. For the 2017 edition, our top chefs will prepare nightly mouth-watering culinary feasts featuring authentic German dishes, such as **Roast Pork Knuckle Served with Braised Red Cabbage and Gratinated Potato** (HK\$185), **Pan-fried Sausages "Nürnberger" Style with Sauerkraut and Mashed Potatoes** (HK\$150), **Roast Herb-marinated Half Chicken with Carrot and Potato Salad** (HK\$160), **Pan-fried Salmon Cutlet served with Creamed Spinach and Boiled New Potato** (HK\$160), and **Roast Lamb Leg with Garlic Served with Braised Red Cabbage and Gratinated Potato** (HK\$165).

Capping the hearty feast is an array of traditional German desserts, such as **Apple Strudel with Vanilla Sauce**, **German Cheesecake with Forest Berry Compote**, **Black Forest Cake** and **Fresh Strawberry Tart with Ice Cream**, all served at HK\$85 per portion.

Die Notenhobler Band from Germany

Since 1994, Die Notenhobler Band from Germany has been the official band of the Marco Polo German Bierfest. The rousing musicians wear original Oberkrainer clothes as they sing traditional tunes and play hearty folk music. Their entertaining antics along with popular drinking competitions and traditional games, such as the Alphorn-blowing Contest and Chicken Dance, create a truly memorable ambience for partygoers.

Band Show times: 7:30pm – 11:00pm

Ticketing

Tickets are available from now on via HK Ticketing and at the entrance of the event. Table bookings can be made for parties of 20 or more with pre-payment. Tickets bought via HK Ticketing (www.hkticketing.com / (852) 3128 8288) for the premiere dates of 20 and 21 October will receive a special price of HK\$250. Book early, seats are limited. For enquiries, please contact (852) 2113 3217.

As an added bonus, special edition souvenir beer mugs printed with the 26th anniversary logo will be given out to adults on Fridays and Saturdays, and specially designed hats will be distributed onsite as a surprise for guests on selected nights.

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Programme Details

- Date : 20 October - 11 November 2017
- Time : Opening Hours 6:00pm - 11:00pm
Happy Hour (Daily)* 6:00pm - 7:00pm
- * **Buy one glass of beer by Octopus at any bar counter and receive one additional glass of beer on the spot**
- Venue : Viewing Platform, Level 6, Marco Polo Hongkong Hotel
Harbour City, Tsim Sha Tsui, Kowloon
- Entrance : **Sundays to Thursdays**
- Fees Adult: HK\$160 (includes one beer)
Child: HK\$120 (includes one soft drink)
- Fridays and Saturdays**
Adult: HK\$280 (includes one beer and one beer mug)
Child: HK\$160 (includes one soft drink)
- Enquiries : 2113 3217
- Ticketing : www.hkticketing.com / (852) 3128 8288
(Adult tickets only; tickets for persons under 18 are available at the entrance)
- Website : www.gbfhk.com
- Facebook : www.facebook.com/marcopologbf
- Weibo : www.weibo.com/gbfhk
- YouTube : www.youtube.com/marcopologbf
- Instagram : marcopolohongkong

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About Marco Polo Hongkong Hotel EXPLORE DISCOVER EXPERIENCE

Situated in the heart of Tsim Sha Tsui, Marco Polo Hongkong Hotel is part of Harbour City – Hong Kong SAR's largest shopping complex, housing over 450 shops, including the world's leading luxury brands and a myriad of dining options.

Comprised of 665 luxurious guestrooms and suites, many of which offer breath-taking waterfront views of celebrated Victoria Harbour, the hotel also offers the ultimate in personalised service with The Continental Club. All rooms are well-equipped with complimentary Wi-Fi with deluxe amenities. Within a short walk are landmarks such as the Hong Kong Museum of Art, Space Museum, Hong Kong Cultural Centre, and 1881 Heritage. The hotel is also on the doorstep of Star Ferry terminal and MTR subway stations.

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Marco Polo Hongkong Hotel features an outdoor swimming pool, a lobby lounge, a gym, an all-day dining outlet, Cafe Marco on Level 1, featuring a wide variety of gourmet cuisines from all over the world and our renowned authentic Italian restaurant, Cucina. The hotel has 14 function rooms; the largest venue can accommodate up to 430 guests, with the dedicated service of our professional Banquet Services Team.

The hotel is part of Wharf Hotels, a wholly owned subsidiary of The Wharf (Holdings) Ltd, a Hong Kong-listed company with core business interests in property and investments in communications and container-terminal operations. Other Wharf Hotels properties include Gateway Hotel and Prince Hotel in Hong Kong, as well as hotels in mainland China and the Philippines.

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