

PRESS RELEASE

MANGIA'S announces partnership with Marriott International to open its first Autograph Collection hotel in Sicily

- In summer 2023, Mangia's Brucoli Resort in Sicily, owned by a JV between Hotel Investments Partners (HIP) and Aeroviaggi S.p.A., will join Autograph Collection part of Marriott International, a curated collection of independent properties with distinctive design and hospitality features.
- After extensive renovations, Mangia's Brucoli Resort will reopen as a 5-star hotel in summer 2023, while maintaining its Mangia's signature characteristics.

Palermo, 13 February 2023 – The JV between HIP and Aeroviaggi announces a new partnership with Marriott International, to open an Autograph Collection hotel in Sicily.

The newly renovated Mangia's Brucoli Resort in Sicily will reopen in in summer 2023, as part of Autograph Collection Hotels by Marriott International, a collection of independent properties hand-selected for their inherent craft and distinct perspectives on design and hospitality, Autograph Collection properties offer rich immersive moments that leave a lasting imprint. Mangia's unmistakable signature will remain throughout the hotel, offering guests unique and unforgettably authentic Italian holiday experiences in Sicily.

Located close to Catania's airport, the property benefits from a unique position, between the Brucoli lighthouse and the imposing Mount Etna. Set in peaceful green surroundings beside the stunning blue Mediterranean Sea, the hotel has 402 bright, elegant and comfortable rooms, many with a terrace, small garden or private swim-up entrance. The resort has five restaurants, two bars, three swimming pools, several sports courts, a spa and many other luxury facilities. Brucoli is an ideal destination for guests who wish to practice water sports or explore Sicily, with countless historical, cultural and geographical sites easily reachable from there: Taormina, Mount Etna, Ortigia, Catania, the Alcantara Gorge and Noto. The resort will be completely refurbished and reopen as a charming hotel for the 2023 season. Mangia's Brucoli Resort will be ready to welcome guests in the summer.

Marcello Mangia, President and CEO of Aeroviaggi, said: "We are pleased to announce to the market this next step in the evolution of our company. Thanks to the JV with HIP and the partnership with Marriott, Mangia's will now target another market segment with this upper-upscale product, a new development in the Made in Italy hospitality sector."

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This new partnership marks another milestone following the strategic agreement between Aeroviaggi and HIP to reposition 6 of the brand's 13 properties in Sicily and Sardinia. The hotel will now benefit from Marriott International's worldwide distribution network and partnership agreements in addition to the Marriott Bonvoy loyalty program, which counts 173 million members around the world.

Mangia's

Mangia's Resorts, owned by Aeroviaggi S.p.A., is a top-10 leading brand in the Italian hospitality sector, according to the Booking Traveller Review Awards 2021. This year, the company will celebrate 50 years in business. With over 1 million guests per year, the Group welcomes Italian and international visitors to its 13 exclusive resorts in sought-after seaside destinations in Sicily and Sardinia, offering an authentic and excellent Made in Italy experience.

About HIP

HIP was founded in 2015 by Alejandro Hernández-Puértolas and Banco Sabadell and was subsequently acquired by Blackstone in 2017. Through subsequent acquisitions, the portfolio has grown to 72 hotels totalling ~21k keys across Spain, Greece, Italy and Portugal.

HIP has a dedicated team of around 100 professionals specialised in acquisitions, execution, renovation and repositioning of well-located but undercapitalised hotels. The team works in partnership with various hotel operators such as Ritz-Carlton, Barceló, Apple Leisure Group®, Hilton, Ledra and Marriott with the aim of improving hotel management and travellers' experience during their stay. HIP will invest more than 600 million euros in its existing portfolio of resorts.

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