

## Press Release

## SJM Clinches 13 Accolades at China's Wine List of the Year Awards 2024

"SJM Asia Top Sommelier Summit 2024" Successfully Showcases Macau's Strength as an International Exchange Platform

(Macau, 18 October 2024) SJM Resorts, S.A. ("SJM") celebrated its remarkable achievements at the China's Wine List of the Year Awards 2024 presentation ceremony, held during the "SJM Asia Top Sommelier Summit 2024." SJM was honoured with 13 prestigious accolades, including two Grand Awards for China's Best Hotel Group, two Grand Awards for Best Wine List, and nine "3 Glass Award" for of its distinguished restaurants. The summit, once again held in Macau, featured not only the award ceremony but also a series of events including a wine carnival, sommelier training, and competitions. Over 300 sommeliers and food and beverage professionals from across Asia gathered for this grand event.

## **Thirteen Accolades Celebrating Dining Excellence**

As a highlight of the "SJM Asia Top Sommelier Summit 2024," the China's Wine List of the Year Awards is now in its 12th year. SJM has continued its streak of excellence, winning the "China's Best Hotel Group Wine List" award for three consecutive years. This year, SJM also secured the "China's Best Hotel Group Wine List - Wine by Glass" award. One of the key highlights was the awarding of Grand Lisboa Palace Resorts Macau's Palace Garden with the "Best Wine List – Macau SAR" and "China's Best Hotel Restaurant Wine List" awards for the first time. Meanwhile, four restaurants at Grand Lisboa Macau — Robuchon au Dôme, The 8, The Kitchen, and Casa Don Alfonso — and five restaurants at the Grand Lisboa Palace, including Palace Garden, Mesa by José Avillez, Don Alfonso 1890, Zuicho, and Hua Ting, were awarded the distinguished "3 Glass Award."

Ms. Daisy Ho, Managing Director of SJM, expressed, "We are deeply honoured to receive these awards at the China's Wine List of the Year Awards as they are a testament to our team's commitment to creating exceptional dining experiences. Hosting the Asia Top Sommelier Summit was another highlight, as it brought together passionate professionals from around the world to share their knowledge. Events like these truly showcase Macau as a bridge between cultures and a premier platform for global collaboration. We will continue nurturing our strength in 'Tourism + Gastronomy' and diversifying our offerings as a 'Creative City of Gastronomy."

## Extravaganza Promotes City's Gastronomic Charm Again

Co-organised by SJM and the Asia Wine Institute, the five-day summit attracted over 300 sommeliers and food and beverage professionals from Asia. Participants included professional sommeliers, graduates of the "SOMM100" training programme, representatives from sommelier associations across Asia, top sommeliers from Mainland China, the champion sommelier from the "China National Sommelier Competition." This exceptional turnout further highlighted Macau's distinctive strength in hosting international events, solidifying its position as a "World Centre of Tourism and Leisure."



In addition to the award ceremony for the China's Wine List of the Year Awards, the "SJM Asia Top Sommelier Summit 2024" featured a diverse range of events, including masterclasses, the three-day "Court of Master Sommeliers Accreditation Program" training, a wine carnival, wine and spirits awards and prestigious sommelier competition. These activities set new benchmarks for professional development within the global wine and sommelier industries, while offering innovative dining experiences that attracted international visitors to Macau, enhancing its appeal as a "World Centre of Tourism and Leisure."

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SJM further solidifies its leadership in Macau's dining scene by receiving 13 accolades at the "China Wine List of the Year Awards 2024," dubbed the "China Wine Lists Oscar," including the "China's Best Hotel Group Wine List" and "China's Best Hotel Group Wine List - Wine by Glass" awards.





SJM's Grand Lisboa Palace's Palace Garden receives both the "Best Wine List – Macau SAR" and "China's Best Hotel Restaurant Wine List" awards for the first time.



SJM's nine restaurants were honoured with the "3 Glass Award."





The "SJM Asia Top Sommelier Summit 2024" successfully concluded with tonight's awards gala dinner hosted at the Macau Tower Convention and Entertainment Centre.