



LE ROYAL MONCEAU

RAFFLES PARIS

**Le Royal Monceau – Raffles Paris:
definitely a « Palace » hotel!**



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The excellence and singularity of Le Royal Monceau – Raffles Paris continue to seduce Atout France, the French's state tourism development agency, who has just announced the renewal of its "Palace" distinction.

Created in 2010 to promote outstanding 5-star hotels, this label is granted for five years to the properties worthy of embodying and promoting French excellence throughout the world.

Since its opening in 1928, in the midst of the Roaring Twenties, Le Royal Monceau became a "rendez-vous" of choice for the greatest artists and intellectuals of its time. Joséphine Baker, Hemingway, Walt Disney or Ray Charles are among the ones who came, returned and met up, each leaving their mark. Concerned with keeping this particular atmosphere of sophistication, celebration, creativity and poetry, the hotel closed down in 2008 for two years of intense renovation work led by French designer Philippe Starck. In 2010, Le Royal Monceau reopened as one of the most exciting and vibrant hotels in Paris, entirely dedicated to contemporary art and offering a safe haven for creative minds in search of luxury and emotion.

Five years after it was first granted the "Palace" distinction, the property keeps reinventing itself and surprising guests fascinated by Parisian life and the Royal Monceau's state of mind.

"We are extremely proud to be rewarded once again with this prestigious distinction. We strive on a daily basis to offer our guests an exceptional service while constantly renewing our unrivaled boldness. I want to thank my teams from the bottom of my heart, this reward is theirs above all", stated Aaron Kaupp, General Manager of Le Royal Monceau – Raffles Paris.

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Le Royal Monceau – Raffles Paris reopened in 2010 as the most exciting 5-star luxury hotel in Paris, after a radical and complete two-year transformation by designer Philippe Starck. The hotel has 149 luxurious rooms and suites and is just minutes from the Arc-de-Triomphe and the Champs-Élysées in Paris' 8th arrondissement. At Le Royal Monceau – Raffles Paris, art is omnipresent, with an exclusive service of Art Concierge, an Art Bookstore, a private Art Gallery, a 99-seat cinema theatre and an impressive private art collection. Food and drink are an art form here too – from the buzz of the Long Bar on the ground floor, to the two restaurants, 'Matsubisa Paris' for a Japanese cuisine and 'Il Carpaccio' Michelin-starred Italian restaurant. Not to be missed are the delicious pastries, macarons and chocolates by Pierre Hermé, considered by Vogue magazine as the 'Picasso of pastry'. The 1,500sqm Spa My Blend by Clarins is an award-winning white paradise, with the longest swimming pool in a Parisian Palace. www.LeRoyalMonceau.com

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