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MASTRO'S STEAKHOUSE AT THE POST OAK HOTEL RECEIVES 2019 WINE SPECTATOR GRAND AWARD

Renowned Houston Steakhouse Receives Global Recognition for Esteemed Wine Program

HOUSTON, TX – Mastro's Steakhouse has clinched *Wine Spectator's* Grand Award, the world's highest honor for a restaurant wine program. Highly acclaimed by celebrities, critics, and savvy diners, the restaurant located at Tilman Fertitta's posh hotel, The Post Oak Hotel at Uptown Houston, is one of only eight new establishments in the world who received the award in 2019 for its superior wine collection and elite service. There are only 100 Wine Spectator Grand Award Winners in the world.

"We're pleased to shine a spotlight on the destinations around the world that show devotion to their wine program, while also creating a comprehensive global dining guide for our readers to enjoy," said Marvin R. Shanken, Editor and Publisher, *Wine Spectator.* "Both novice wine lovers and seasoned sommeliers alike actively seek and frequent restaurants with exciting, well-curated wine lists. Bravo to all the 2019 recipients—we raise a glass to you."

Cultivated and led by Mastro's Master Sommelier Keith Goldston, the restaurant's distinguished wine collection features more than \$3.5 million worth of inventory from more than 25 countries, including the world's finest vintages dating back to the 1800's. Goldston is committed to advising connoisseurs on the very best wine to serve each individual's palate, which is paired to perfection with the menu's distinctive offerings.

"We were determined to develop a wine program of the highest caliber, one that made an impact on a global scale," said Keith Goldston, Master Sommelier, Mastro's Steakhouse. "Our commitment to excellence is steadfast. We are continually elevating our wine selections to offer only the very best, most sought-after wineries from around the world. It is an honor to receive this prestigious recognition from *Wine Spectator* and a privilege to represent Houston at the international level."

Wine Spectator began its program to recognize the world's best wine lists in 1981. There are three levels: the Award of Excellence, the Best of Award of Excellence and the Grand Award. The Grand Award is given to the world's best wine programs which deliver serious breadth of top producers, outstanding depth in mature vintages, a selection of large-format bottles, excellent harmony with the menu and superior presentation. *Wine Spectator* carefully assesses each Grand Award candidate, including rigorous independent, on-site inspections of the wine program, cellar, service, ambiance and cuisine of the restaurant. Mastro's Steakhouse at The Post Oak Hotel at Uptown Houston joins the ranks of 100 Grand Award winners located throughout the world.

The complete list of award winners is available in print in *Wine Spectator's* August issue, on newsstands July 16, and online at <u>Restaurants.WineSpectator.com</u>. Mastro's Steakhouse is located at 1600 Post Oak, Houston, Texas 77056. Dining room is open Monday through Saturday from 5 PM – 11 PM; Sunday 5 PM – 10 PM. Piano Lounge is open daily from 5 PM – Close. Executive Chef Michael Colbert oversees the kitchen and its daily culinary preparations. Nick Burbach serves as Mastro's General Manager.



About Mastro's Steakhouse

Landry's, Inc., wholly owned by Tilman J. Fertitta, is a multinational, diversified restaurant, hospitality, gaming and entertainment company based in Houston, Texas. The company operates more than 500 high-end and casual dining establishments around the world, including well-known concepts such as Landry's Seafood, Bubba Gump Shrimp Co., Rainforest Cafe, Mitchell's Fish Market Restaurants, Morton's The Steakhouse, The Oceanaire, McCormick & Schmick's Seafood, Chart House, Saltgrass Steak House, Claim Jumper and Mastro's Restaurants. Landry's also operates a group of signature restaurants, including Vic & Anthony's, Grotto, Willie G's and others; along with popular New York BR Guest Restaurants such as Dos Caminos, Strip House and Bill's Bar & Burger. Landry's gaming division includes the renowned Golden Nugget Hotel and Casino concept, with locations in Las Vegas and Laughlin, Nev.; Atlantic City, N.J.; Biloxi, Miss.; and Lake Charles, La. Landry's entertainment and hospitality divisions encompass popular destinations including the Galveston Island Historic Pleasure Pier, Kemah Boardwalk, Aquarium Restaurants and other exciting attractions, coupled with deluxe accommodations throughout the Houston and Galveston area, including the luxurious San Luis Resort, Spa & Conference Center on Galveston Island.

About The Post Oak Hotel at Uptown Houston

Houston's only AAA Five-Diamond hotel, The Post Oak Hotel at Uptown Houston, is Houston's newest destination for the discerning traveler. Set on 10 oak-studded acres, the sleek 38-story tower boasts 250 ultra-modern guestrooms and suites; 20 executive residences; and an elegant 35,000-square-foot conference facility, including the largest ballroom in Uptown Houston. Located mere steps from The Galleria and River Oaks District, The Post Oak Hotel caters to business and leisure travelers alike with lavish accommodations, five-fixture deluxe bathrooms, three televisions, sophisticated technology, and unobstructed views. While the standard guestroom offers over 500 square feet of luxurious and abundant living space, the immense 5,000 square-foot, two-bedroom Presidential Suite is the most opulent of them all and serves as Houston's unmatched, ultra-luxurious suite offering extra concealment and discretion with private elevator access, media room, exercise room and secluded terrace.

Unique amenities include a two-story Rolls-Royce showroom and on-site Bentley and Bugatti Post Oak Motors dealership, as well as six restaurants and bars throughout the hotel with dining choices from sophisticated cuisine in Bloom & Bee and exotic libations at H Bar to pub-style fare at Craft F&B and fresh-baked pastries at Bouchée Patisserie. Also on property is celebrity acclaimed and Texas' first Mastro's Steakhouse, as well as Willie G's Seafood, a Houston institution with an amazing raw bar and seafood favorites. A multi-million-dollar modern art collection with pieces by Frank Stella, Alex Katz, Robert Motherwell, Donald Sultan, Joseph Glasco, and Howard Hodgkin are strategically placed throughout the hotel, giving it a museum-quality feel. The Cellar, the hotel's expansive wine collection with over 30,000 bottles, offers guests and restaurant patrons access to more than \$3 million of the world's finest wines including vintages dating back to the 1800's. The Spa is Texas' only Forbes Five Star rated spa and is one of only 31 in the nation to receive this prestigious honor. The 20,000-square-foot urban oasis features signature treatments and rituals, tranquility pools; aromatherapy-infused steam rooms; detoxifying high temperature, low humidity saunas; multi-sensory thermal showers; state-of-the-art Technogym fitness center; and quiet lounges with zero gravity chairs. Additional offerings for an effortless experience include the indulgent Post Oak Salon, and the hotel's fashion-forward boutique, 29° North. The Post Oak Hotel is also among 41 properties in the nation honored in the Preferred Hotels & Resorts Legends Collection, receiving the brand's top-level accreditation for its high-quality standards and unparalleled service. To make a hotel reservation, please call 844.386.1600 or visit www.thepostoak.com.

About Wine Spectator

Wine Spectator is the world's leading authority on wine. Anchored by *Wine Spectator* magazine, a print publication that reaches around 3 million readers worldwide, the brand also encompasses the Web's most comprehensive wine site (WineSpectator.com), mobile platforms and a series of signature events. Wine Spectator examines the world of wine from the vineyard to the table, exploring wine's role in contemporary culture and delivering expert reviews of more than 15,000 wines each year. Parent company M. Shanken Communications, Inc., also publishes *Cigar Aficionado, Whisky Advocate, Market Watch, Shanken News Daily* and *Shanken's Impact Newsletter*.