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THE POST OAK HOTEL OPENS NEW WINE LOUNGE, STELLA'S WINE BAR

Houston's newest wine destination offers intimate, sophisticated setting with access to the hotel's award-winning Cellar housing more than \$5 million of the world's most sought-after vintages

HOUSTON, TX (January 7, 2021) – The Post Oak Hotel at Uptown Houston's newest concept, **Stella's Wine Bar**, is now open offering a contemporary yet rustic atmosphere where Houstonians and hotel guests can unwind and enjoy an extensive selection of reds, whites, rosés, and sparkling wines alongside an array of distinguished charcuteries, lite bites, and shareables.

A 12-foot chalkboard column provides all of Stella's daily varietals like Grenache, Petit Verdot, Malvita, Pint Meuniere, Barberra, Syrah, Merlot, Sangiovese, Cabernet-Sauvignon and much more. For advanced connoisseurs, Stella's Wine Bar can access the award-winning Cellar which boasts more than \$5 million worth of inventory from over 25 countries. The hotel's esteemed Master and Advanced sommelier team is also available to help determine guests' preferred choices.

With more than 35 years of experience, Master Sommelier Keith Goldston leads the hotel's wine program and thoughtfully selected every label on the menu. A Napa Valley-native, Goldston passed the wine industry's most challenging and highest-certification exam in 2001 and became the 47th Master Sommelier in the Americas. He serves on the Board for the Court of Master Sommeliers and has judged countless international wine competitions.

"This concept offers something for both casual wine enthusiasts and serious oenophiles," said Goldston. "The menu embodies more than 30 wine-producing regions that guests can experience through flights or explore over 60 vintages by the glass. With more than 35,000 selections, the options are near limitless."

Advanced Sommelier Julie Dalton serves as Stella's Wine Director. Dalton was previously Mastro's Steakhouse Wine Director and also won Houston's Iron Sommelier in 2018. "No other wine concept in Houston offers our level of talent," said Dalton. "The combination of knowledge and approachability from our sommelier team is what makes us a unique destination."

The food menu was artfully curated by the property's award-winning Executive Chef Jean Luc Royere. Guests can choose from a variety of charcuterie selections like House Made Duck Rillettes and Spanish Chorizo along with a number of cheeses such as Meredith Australian Goat, Truffle Gouda Artikaas, and Mountain Maple Brie. Mouth-watering small bites and shareables include

palette-forward Marinated Mediterranean Olives, Fig & Gorgonzola Prosciutto Flatbread, and Beef & Bacon Jam Sliders.

“We strived to create a casual yet sophisticated, social bistro for wine enthusiasts of all levels,” said Steven Chou, General Manager of The Post Oak Hotel. “Whether gathering for pre-dinner wine or ending the evening with a nightcap, Stella’s Wine Bar is a delightful setting to sit, relax and imbibe the most sought-after wineries from around the world.”

Located in the hotel adjacent to its 29^o North retail boutique and steps away from Mastro’s Steakhouse and Willie G’s Seafood, Stella’s Wine Bar embodies an elegant, provincial setting with white marble-top tables and distressed walnut armchairs. Floor-to-ceiling wine racks and wall-to-wall climate-controlled refrigeration helps store more than 3,500 bottles at the most-desired temperatures. The stunning outdoor patio features an expansive, open-air pergola with built-in heaters and a 13-foot, towering olive tree. Reclaimed, solid-oak wine barrels are throughout the patio serving as dining tables for guests to take in Houston’s urban skyline.

The 1,800-square-foot wine lounge can be reserved for indoor and outdoor private events. To book an event or make reservations, please call 346.227.5174.

Stella’s Wine Bar is named after the Fertitta Family’s beloved pet pig, Stella. Exemplary of the new concept, pigs are known for its great intelligence, inquisitiveness, and an affinity for the social enjoyment of others.

Stella’s Wine Bar remains open Monday-Thursday 4:00pm-Midnight, Friday and Saturday 11:30am-Midnight, and Sundays 11:30am-10:00pm. Visit thepostoak.com for more information.

ABOUT THE POST OAK HOTEL AT UPTOWN HOUSTON

Texas’s only Forbes Double Five-Star rated hotel, The Post Oak Hotel at Uptown Houston, is Houston’s only Forbes Five-Star hotel and the city’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.

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