



## REVERED CHEF ALAIN DUCASSE DEBUTS RIVEA AND SKYFALL LOUNGE AT DELANO LAS VEGAS

### *Riviera-Inspired Cuisine and Chic, Casual Atmosphere Complement Stunning Strip Views*

**LAS VEGAS** – Rivea and Skyfall Lounge, by Michelin-decorated chef Alain Ducasse, are now open atop Delano Las Vegas, the newest luxury hotel on The Strip. Rivea, the first location in the United States, and Skyfall Lounge bring together Riviera-inspired cuisine, celebrated libations, a chic casual atmosphere and the best views of Las Vegas.

“I am thrilled to introduce Rivea and Skyfall Lounge to Las Vegas,” said Chef Ducasse. “Upon entering the venues, every detail transports guests to those endless summer nights in the South of France. The seductive menu highlights simple, fresh Italian and French cooking, while the design is sophisticated and laid-back, complementing the best view of the Las Vegas Strip.”

In just its first three months of operation, the restaurant and lounge have already received wide critical acclaim and a number of accolades, including being recognized by Eater National as one of the “15 Most Beautiful Restaurants of 2015” and Eater Vegas’ “Stone Cold Stunner.” The venues also received two nods on Thrillist’s “Best of 2015 List,” with Rivea taking home “Best New Dinner with a View” and Skyfall Lounge winning the award for “Best Mixology Program” in Las Vegas. Additionally, Rivea received a rating of 16/29 from Gayot.com – a prestigious level very few restaurants worldwide have ever attained – while Skyfall was named one of the “Hottest Bar Openings in the Country” by the highly influential beverage industry publication Market Watch Magazine.

### **Rivea**

Influenced by the delectable food markets of Provence and Italy, Chef Alain Ducasse and Executive Chef Bruno Riou’s menu focuses on simple, fresh Mediterranean flavors made with the best West Coast-sourced seasonal ingredients.

- **Small Plates** – Encouraging a convivial dining experience, Rivea’s small plates offer curious diners the chance to experience a wide variety of menu items such as the Provençal caponata with capers and pinenuts; Prawn & Calamari Crostino; Focaccia di Recco, an Italian inspired flatbread with a creamy layer of cheese; perfectly tender Artichoke & Spinach Ravioli; and Marinated Seabream paired with a light and bright citrus flavor profile.
- **Main Courses** – In addition to small plates, diners will enjoy vibrant creations such as an indulgent Lobster with purple artichokes; Line-Caught Striped Bass with a minestrone reduction; Rack of Colorado Lamb accented by an herb pesto; and Roasted Duck Breast with Bigarade sauce and nougat which adds an element of sweetness to the savory.
- **On the Grill** – High-quality cuts of beef, such as Pepper-Crusted Bison Tenderloin, are served with a variety of options of flavorful sauces including a Beef & Olive Jus, offering a Mediterranean flair.
- **Desserts** – House-made flavors elevate beloved confections, such as Tiramisù accented by an exclusive, house cold-brewed coffee; Limoncello Baba, a riff on Chef Ducasse’s iconic rum baba, accompanied by its namesake digestif; and the classic chocolate-hazelnut Zuccotto, perfect for sharing among a group.

Aperitifs, a true Riviera staple, will prep palates for the meal ahead while sommeliers suggest a distinctive list of spirits or signature cocktails like the Beausoleil – Citrus liquor, Dolin dry vermouth, Oregon grappa and thyme.

Riviera Soul – a special list of select Riviera wines handpicked by Executive Wine Director Guillem Kerambrun – stays true to wines found along the French and Italian Rivas; however, a significant portion of the list is sourced from the West Coast of the United States, including Oregon, Washington and the “California Riviera.” West Coast offerings were chosen based on wines that work with the same grapes indigenous to Provence and the northwest of Italy.

The complete wine list or Reserve List features an additional 1,300 wines from beyond the Riviera grouped by grape as opposed to the traditional list organization of wines by region.

## **Skyfall Lounge**

Skyfall Lounge, located adjacent to Rivea, offers an evolving nightlife experience that gradually increases in tempo as the evening progresses. The 180-degree views make it possible for guests to sip a glass of Champagne while watching the desert sunset, or to party the night away as DJs spin upbeat house and dance music in the vibrant space from 10 p.m. to close.

- **Inventive Cocktails** – In order to create a cocktail program as legendary as the restaurant's cuisine, Ducasse has partnered with mixology masterminds, Proprietors LLC, on their first Las Vegas venture. Having opened renowned cocktail bars including New York City's Death & Co, as well as Los Angeles' Honeycut, Proprietors brings its distinct cocktail culture to Rivea and Skyfall Lounge. Creating a program that is rooted in classic structure but reinterpreted using contemporary techniques and unexpected flavor profiles, Skyfall Lounge's menu is broken down into several unique categories. Highlights include:
  - **Golden Hour** cocktails, like the Sierra Aperitivo – made with Grey Goose L'Orange, Aperol Granita and Champagne selection Alain Ducasse – have been specially designed to be enjoyed during the lovely twilight hours.
  - **Effervescent** cocktails incorporate festive, bubbly ingredients, such as the Climbin' High, which blends Kappa Pisco, Appleton's Signature Blend Rum, Champagne selection Alain Ducasse, and Fresh Pineapple, Lime and Raspberry Juices.
  - **Shaken** libations include playful takes on the classics like the Shake It Off, an elegant take on a Strawberry Margarita with Jalapeno Infused Espolon Tequila, Dry Vermouth, Fresh Strawberry Puree and Fresh Lemon Juice.
  - **Stirred** selections update spirit-focused favorites like the Negroni: Skyfall's version, called Live Oak, features Bombay Dry Gin, Smoky August Tea-infused Sweet Vermouth and Campari.
- **Perfected Bottle Service** – Elevating traditional bottle service, Skyfall Lounge offers unique mixer options to pair with your choice of spirit. For example, any bottle of aged brandy comes with ingredients to craft an original version of a Champs Elysées cocktail table-side, including rocks glasses, block ice, Angostura Bitters, Green Chartreuse and Fresh Lemon Juice with a lemon twist for garnish.
- **Signature Lounge Events** – Further differentiating Skyfall Lounge as an industry-leading cocktail destination, specialty programming will bring energy and entertainment to the venue. December 5 will mark the start of an annual Repeal Day Party, while quarterly guest bartender residencies will be introduced in 2016, hailing the best mixologists from around the country, including Proprietors' sister venues.

## **Renowned Design**

Having worked together on numerous projects throughout the years, Chef Ducasse invited acclaimed French-Canadian design duo Patrick Jouin and Sanjit Manku to design his new Las Vegas venues.

- Mirroring the design of the exquisite yachts in Venice and the laid-back vibe found on the Riviera coast, **Rivea** features cozy corners, sweeping mahogany banquettes and a palette of maritime blues and yellow accents. And the seaside is more than just inspiration: the restaurant's "Wave Wall" contains hundreds of glass pieces that mimic the lapping water.
- The restaurant's 50-seat private dining room **Rivea+** boasts 180-degree views of The Strip through floor-to-ceiling windows. Majestic light fixtures comprised of twinkling lights represent constellations found in Las Vegas' night sky.
- **Skyfall Lounge's** décor simulates the beauty of an evening sunset with deep purple, red and honey-gold accents and subtle cloud forms hanging overhead. Every seat in the room delivers optimal views of the sparkling Vegas skyline, while the expansive outdoor patio offers a relaxing, fresh-air escape.

Rivea and Skyfall Lounge are located on the 64<sup>th</sup> floor of Delano Las Vegas. Hours of operation:

- Rivea is open 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and 6 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Reservations available through [OpenTable](#).
- Skyfall Lounge is open 5 p.m. to midnight Sunday through Thursday and 5 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday and Saturday. Reservations available through [OpenTable](#).

### **About Alain Ducasse Entreprise**

Alain Ducasse Entreprise devotes itself with passion to the culinary pleasures and arts of hospitality in order to answer to the needs of its varied, mobile and international customers. The group keeps on developing new ideas and ensuring their circulation. This constant search for excellence relies on the particular talents of the men and women of the group, on the utmost quality of its products and on a complete knowledge of modern technologies. At the head of his group, Alain Ducasse is at once a chef-creator, and an entrepreneur. As creator, he insists on offering a cuisine that is just right; as an entrepreneur, he implements a modern economic model, the transmission of his knowledge and a relevant vision of the food service and hospitality industry. For more information, visit [alain-ducasse.com](http://alain-ducasse.com) or find us on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#).

### **About Proprietors, LLC**

Founded in 2007, Proprietors LLC is a full-service consulting company that focuses primarily on building world-class, cocktail-centric beverage programs for clients, consulting on flavors, formulations, strategy, marketing and branding for the beverage industry, and managing Proprietors LLC partner-owned bars. With a collective passion rooted in furthering cocktail culture, partners David Kaplan, Alex Day, and Devon Tarby love traveling the world opening projects for their clients. Currently, Proprietors LLC owned properties span two coasts, with Death & Co, Nitecap, and One Fifty One in New York City, and Honeycut, The Normandie Club and The Walker Inn in Los Angeles. Proprietors consulting projects range from Los Angeles, New York, Chicago, India, Russia and South East Asia. Death & Co, whose namesake book, *Death & Co Modern Classic Cocktails* launched in October of 2014, has become a timeless reference on craft cocktails. With chapters on the theory and philosophy of drink-making; a complete guide to the spirits, tools, and other ingredients needed to make a great bar; and recipes for nearly 500 iconic drinks, the *Death & Co Book*, like the bar that inspired its creation, is bold, elegant, and setting the pace for mixologists around the world. [www.ProprietorsLLC.com](http://www.ProprietorsLLC.com)

### **Jouin-Manku**

Along with Sanjit Manku, his architect associate, Patrick Jouin has developed a creative dialectic devoted to interior design or architectural design projects. From the Jules Vernes to the Dorchester, from a private residence in Kuala Lumpur to the Campus In&Out in Boulogne Billancourt, Sanjit Manku integrates each project into a dimension in which the two creators' inspirations and ideas join forces to create a universal and contemporary language.

### **About Delano Las Vegas**

Delano Las Vegas offers a new all-suite, smoke-free luxury hotel experience located steps from Mandalay Bay, blending signature elements from the iconic Delano South Beach with the distinct energy only found on the Las Vegas Strip. The hotel features dynamic social spaces such as Franklin, an eclectic lounge; 3940 Coffee + Tea; and Della's Kitchen, where historic farmhouse meets urban kitchen. BATHHOUSE Spa infuses the soothing elements of locally sourced ingredients, drawing inspiration from Morgans Hotel Group's collection of hotels around the world as well as Delano Las Vegas' desert locale. Delano Las Vegas is a wholly owned subsidiary of MGM Resorts International (NYSE: MGM). For more information and reservations, visit [delanolasvegas.com](http://delanolasvegas.com) or call toll free at (877) 632-5400 or find us on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

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