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THE PALACE OF VERSAILLES ENTRUSTS THE FUTURE PAVILLON DUFOUR RESTAURANT TO ALAIN DUCASSE ENTREPRISE

THE PALACE OF VERSAILLES AND ALAIN DUCASSE ANNOUNCE THE UPCOMING OPENING OF THE CONTEMPORARY CAFÉ: Ducasse à Versailles - Ore.

THE CAFÉ WILL BE LOCATED AT THE HEART OF THE NEW INDIVIDUAL VISITOR ENTRANCE, IN THE COUR D'HONNEUR OF THE PALACE OF VERSAILLES.

The Palace of Versailles is currently refurbishing the Pavillon Dufour to devote itself entirely to visitors welcome, as per the blueprint instigated in 2003. This project introduces the Palace of Versailles to the contemporary and service-oriented standards it owed its visitors. All welcome functions will be grouped, in absolute respect with national heritage. Furthermore, the Palace of Versailles wants to offer a tailor-made restaurant within the Pavillon Dufour, to welcome its guests from around the world.

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Ducasse à Versailles – Ore

Alain Ducasse meets the challenge with an elegant contemporary café, in the true French spirit, located on the 1st floor of the Pavillon Dufour. Visitors will meet in this warm and welcoming venue to take a break, while visiting the Palace of Versailles.

Ore is the Latin word for *mouth*. Alain Ducasse thus refers to the pleasures of the mouth, so important to French art de vivre and particularly in Versailles, to the services of the *bouche du Roi*, whose duty was preparing the meals served at court.

Alain Ducasse states: « *Versailles is a dream that impassions and fascinates. It is a privilege to bring forth my modest contribution to the contemporary history of the Palace.* »

Catherine Pégard, President of the Public Establishment of the Palace, Museum, and National Estate of Versailles: « *Ducasse à Versailles embodies French art de vivre in the location where it launched France's renown, but now shared with our visitors from around the world.* »

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Restaurant **Ducasse à Versailles - Ore** at the Pavillon Dufour
Launch scheduled: **Spring 2016.**