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Paradisus Resorts, Refining Luxury

Miami, Florida – For over 40 years, Sol Meliá Hotels & Resorts has refined its luxury product. The Gran Meliá hotels such as the Gran Meliá Cacún brought the luxury product to a level far surpassing the expectations of the most discerning traveler. Through guest feedback, research, and designs from some of the world’s top architects, Sol Meliá Hotels & Resorts has re-defined luxury at its finest with its Paradisus Resorts.

“The Paradisus Resorts offers our guests the natural surroundings of exotic locations combined with the first class services they have come to expect from a luxury resort,” stated Ron Roy, Vice-President of marketing for Sol Meliá Hotels & Resorts. “Two of the properties are members of the renowned ‘The Leading Hotels of the World’ portfolio, meaning they were evaluated and passed rigorous luxury global standards.”

In 2005, the AAA Four Diamond was awarded to Paradisus Riviera Cancún and Paradisus Puerto Rico. The AAA Four Diamond symbolizes that an establishment has measured up to AAA’s uncompromising standards of excellence during a comprehensive evaluation by one of AAA’s inspectors. Extraordinary services, quality amenities and superior surroundings are among the benchmarks.

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The architectural style of each resort is unique in its own way, creating a unique environment of relaxation, luxury and comfort. The Paradisus Puerto Rico, for example, evokes the colonial architecture of the time, recalling the patios and corridors of the large homes of Old San Juan. It reclaims some of these elements and merges others, complying with the functional requirements of a present-day luxury resort.

Each Paradisus features elegant, oversized suites spread out among two-story bungalows. Each features in-room luxury amenities such as robes and slippers set bedside during turn-down service. All suites have their own private balconies and Jacuzzis and have been thoughtfully laid out with sitting areas, chaise lounges, bed canopies and marble finishing.

Guests may upgrade to Sol Meliá's signature Royal Service, which boasts the ultimate service standards available, such as a personal butler, late check-out, private lounge, and pillow menu selections.

Some of the Paradisus Resorts include Garden Villas facing the ocean. Each Garden Villa is set in its own walled garden with private swimming pool, terrace, four-poster bed, pure linen sheets, valet service and a wide range of fine details.

Sol Meliá Hotels & Resorts has created a unique concept called Soul & Magic, which provokes the senses through a variety of sights, sounds, scents and tastes, from burning candles throughout the lobby to the exhilaration of nightly shows.

Discerning palates will be pleased with the vast selection of gourmet fare offered at each of the Paradisus' restaurants. Guests may enjoy a wide range of choices, from Paradisus Natural for the health-conscious guest, to Italian, Japanese and French cuisine. A wide selection of wines and top-shelf drinks are available.

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After dinner, guests can watch as professionals hand roll fresh cigars, or take in international shows composed and performed by professional choreographers and dancers.

Golfers can enjoy a round of golf at exotic locations, such as one of the most popular and celebrated courses, La Garra del Leon (The Lion's Paw), a seaside course designed by Robert Trent Jones II, situated in one of the most beautiful locations in Costa Rica and considered one of the finest golf courses in Central America.

Scuba diving is included at some of the Paradisus Resorts. The barrier reef just off the Paradisus Riviera Cancun is the second largest in the world, behind Australia's Great Barrier Reef. For those that are not certified, the resorts offer free scuba diving lessons. Guests also have the option of an array of non-motorized sports or just relaxing by the lagoon-style swimming pool characteristic of the Paradisus Resorts.

Paradisus Riviera Cancún

Protected by the world's second largest coral reef, between lush tropical gardens and the crystalline edges of Puerto Morelos' ocean waters, the Paradisus Riviera Cancún is the perfect example of an all-inclusive resort at its best. Paradisus Riviera Cancún features 500 suites, including 100 Royal Service suites, 96 ocean view suites with private Jacuzzi and 4 Ambassador suites. There are 6 restaurants featuring Mediterranean, Mexican, Japanese, French and Seafood. The resort features 8,295 sq. feet of flexible meetings space and four breakout rooms with state-of-the-art audio-visual capabilities. The Royal Service suites at the Paradisus Riviera Cancún are part of "The Leading Hotels of the World". The Spa at Paradisus Riviera Cancún is a member of "The Leading Spas". The Paradisus Riviera Cancún is a AAA Four-Diamond Resort.

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Paradisus Punta Cana

Located on the Dominican Republic's legendary Bávaro Beach and wrapped in lush and wonderful gardens, the exotic Paradisus Punta Cana extends onto the ocean's sandy shores, providing a remarkable array of beach activities and water sports in a natural and spectacular Caribbean setting. Paradisus Punta Cana has 500 spacious suites, 35 bungalows, 319 deluxe suites, 80 deluxe suites with Jacuzzi, 80 Royal Service suites, 16 honeymoon suites, 4 ocean view Ambassador suites and one Garden Villa. Guests have exclusive golf privileges with unlimited greens fees at the world-class, championship Cocotal Golf & Country Club. The resort has 10 restaurants featuring French, Seafood, Mexican, Chinese, Brazilian, Japanese and Italian cuisine, a Steakhouse and an international buffet. The resort has honored with the AAA Four-Diamond Award in 2006.

Paradisus Puerto Rico

Nestled on a mile-long stretch of Coco Beach, Paradisus Puerto Rico is the finest all-inclusive resort in Puerto Rico, minutes away from San Juan and El Yunque Rainforest. Paradisus Puerto Rico includes 500 oversized, luxurious suites, including 96 Royal Service suites, 5 beachfront Garden Villas and 1 Presidential suite with private veranda and landscaped courtyard. There are six restaurants featuring a wide selection of Northern Italian and Asian Fusion, casual Mexican fare and contemporary California cuisine. The resort also features 29,000 square feet of flexible meetings space. Events such as the Miss Puerto Rico Universe, Francisco Montessino Fashion Show and "Los Premios Tu Musica" have been held at the resort. The Paradisus Puerto Rico is an AAA Four-Diamond Resort.

Paradisus Playa Conchal

Nestled in the forests of Costa Rica's magnificent North-Pacific Riviera, the all-suite Paradisus Playa Conchal, boasts 2,400 acres of enchanted land where championship golf meets thrilling eco-adventure. Paradisus Playa Conchal features 308 suites and 2 luxurious Master Suites within 39 bungalows. The resort features seven restaurants including Asian fusion, Northern Italian and American cuisine, a Steakhouse and an international buffet.

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Paradisus Palma Real

Opened in December 2005, the newest member of the Paradisus brand is located in Punta Cana, Dominican Republic. The resort features adults-only Royal Service with personal butler and private beach and pool areas, its unique Family Concierge program with personal service, specially designed suites and walkie talkie system and 554 oversized suites, each with its own Jacuzzi, plasma television and private terrace. The resort also offers an array of water sports activities, including scuba diving, snorkeling, horseback riding, four tennis courts, three pools, Kids' Club program, six gourmet restaurants, meetings facilities, the full-service Spa Paradisus, and championship golf at the nearby Cocotal Golf & Country Club.

Paradisus Resorts are sophisticated, luxury all-inclusive resorts by Sol Meliá Hotels & Resorts, one of the world's most successful hotel companies, managing seven distinctive brands – *ME by Meliá*, *Meliá Hotels & Resorts*, *Tryp Hotels*, *Sol Hotels & Resorts*, *Paradisus Resorts*, *Sol Meliá Vacation Club* and *Luxury Lifestyle Hotels & Resorts* – totaling more than 350 hotels in 30 countries. For more information on Paradisus Resorts, visit www.paradisusresorts.travel. Individual reservations can be made through a travel consultant by calling 1-800-33MELIA, the nearest Sol Meliá Reservation Center.

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