

L'Auberge de Sedona Announces New Accolades, Unique Programs

L'Auberge de Sedona, located in the heart of Arizona's Red Rock Country, is one of Arizona's prized travel destinations. Located just 28 miles south of Flagstaff, a two-hour drive from Phoenix, the property is a favorite with locals, romantics, culture vultures and world travelers alike. The resort features 33 secluded cottages, a 21-room Lodge and an award-winning restaurant spread throughout 11 acres in the creek-side canyon. Following is the latest news from L'Auberge:

Resort Accolades: L'Auberge de Sedona was recently recognized as the only Arizona hotel included among the Top 75 U.S. Hotels by Condé Nast Traveler, the leading consumer travel magazine. The famed Sedona hideaway received a score of 85.4 out of 100 in the magazine's 2004 Reader's Choice Awards placing it among legendary hotels including New York's Trump International, Las Vegas' Bellagio and Dallas' Mansion on Turtle Creek. These awards are one of the highest honors in the travel industry, celebrating the best-of-the-best hotels, airlines, resorts, cruise lines, cities, rental car companies and islands as voted by Condé Nast Traveler's readers.

New Programs: L'Auberge de Sedona has introduced an all-inclusive "Personalized Pursuits" program taking the customization trend to a new level. With this new program, guests can have their vacations custom-built by the L'Auberge Customization Concierge. Guests can choose from such activities as jeep tours, culinary demonstrations and hot air balloon rides to create their own customized vacation. In addition, the Customization Concierge serves as a personal butler during the guests' vacation to ensure that they are provided with the highest level of individualized service. The four-day, three-night package is priced at \$3,500 per couple, including luxurious accommodations, all meals and beverages, daily activities and customized nightly turndown treats.

Holiday Happenings: L'Auberge Restaurant welcomes guests for the upcoming holidays with an array of festive meals featuring specialties such as Cured Tuna with Huckleberry Jam, Corn Cream Soup with Foie Gras, Turkey Steak with Caramelized Butternut Squash and Rhubarb/Vanilla Reduction and Roasted Apple Millefeuille with Port Wine Ice-Cream. Five-Course Christmas Eve and Christmas Night dinners will be served from 5:30 to 9:00 pm for \$105 or \$175 with wine parings. To book a reservation or for more information, call 1-800-272-6777.

Food and Beverage Bites: L'Auberge de Sedona welcomes Marco Bustamante as new Chef de Cuisine at L'Auberge Restaurant. Bustamante most recently worked at New York's critically acclaimed Per Se restaurant under Chef Thomas Keller as Chef de Partie. Prior to that, he worked with L'Auberge's own Executive Chef Frank Brunacci at Victor's in the Ritz-Carlton New Orleans.

For more information on L'Auberge de Sedona, please visit www.lauberge.com or call 1-800-272-6777.