



KULM HOTEL ST. MORITZ

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Press release

Mauro Colagreco secures a Michelin star for the K at Kulm Hotel St. Moritz – just six weeks after opening

St. Moritz, Switzerland – February 2021: The best chef in the world, Mauro Colagreco, has secured a Michelin star for the K at the legendary [Kulm Hotel St. Moritz](#), just six weeks after the restaurant opened on 22 December.



Mauro Colagreco in the K; Kulm Hotel St. Moritz

The Michelin guide awarded the star to the K, commenting, “Unfortunately, this tasteful restaurant in the elegant Kulm Hotel St. Moritz is only open in the winter season. A great pity, as this restaurant is home to the multi-faceted, perfectly balanced and always unexpected cuisine of the Argentine culinary grandmaster Mauro Colagreco, renowned thanks to his 3-star restaurant Mirazur in Menton on the Côte d’Azur”.

Mauro Colagreco, whose cuisine is inspired by his roots, his travels and the nature that surrounds him, has created a style of his own that focuses on a personal interpretation of the ingredients and spectacular flavour combinations. Colagreco is personally present at the Kulm Hotel on certain dates, otherwise his Chef de Cuisine Paloma Boitier is in charge of the kitchen. The 26-year-old Boitier is a fellow Argentine who has been working at Mirazur for close to five years.

Said General Manager of the Kulm Hotel St. Moritz Heinz E. Hunkeler, “We are thrilled for Mauro Colagreco, Paloma Boitier and the whole team at the K that their hard work, under more difficult circumstances than usual, has paid off so quickly and they have been rewarded with their first Michelin star. We promised our guests taste explosions on their plates – and we have delivered”.

Colagreco’s food philosophy is all about freshness, simplicity, balance of colour and bringing out authentic flavours. One of his star ingredients is lemon, which makes anchovy fillets set on fried

anchovy skeletons pop and sing, while “Luxus beta vulgaris” is a signature dish that combines the everyday (salt encrusted beetroot) with the ultimate luxury (Oscietre caviar cream).

The K by Mauro Colagreco is open for dinner only, from 19:00 to 21:30 hours, Tuesday to Saturday inclusive, until 13 March. Reservations for the K by Mauro Colagreco can be made by emailing fb@kulm.com



Torteau cannelloni (crab meat wrapped in green apple, with apple & ginger jus); mini potato millefeuilles made of 55 layers with spruce mayo and butternut squash tartelettes © Thomas Buchwalder, GaultMillau Schweiz

The Kulm Hotel St. Moritz offers an accommodation package that includes a sweet treat on arrival, a tasting menu dinner for two at the K by Mauro Colagreco (excluding wines) and overnight accommodation followed by a sumptuous breakfast buffet. Prices start from CHF 1490 (approx. £1200) for two people sharing a superior double room with panoramic views over frozen Lake St. Moritz and the Engadine Valley. Also included in the rate is unlimited access to the 2000 square metre Kulm Spa St. Moritz and free use of the hotel's private ice rink.

To make a reservation, call the Kulm Hotel St. Moritz on tel: +41 81 836 80 00 or email reservations@kulm.com.

Notes for Editors

Mauro Colagreco was born in October 1976 in Argentina of Italian ancestry. In 2001, he moved to France to train at the Lycée Hôtelier de la Rochelle, followed by stints working for the great chefs Bernard Loiseau, Alain Passard, Alain Ducasse and Guy Martin. In 2006, he decided to open his own restaurant, Mirazur, in Menton. A year later, it gained its first Michelin star and in 2009 Colagreco was named “Chef of the Year” by Gault Millau. Last year, Mirazur was awarded three Michelin stars and was named the No.1 restaurant in the World's 50 Best Restaurant list.

Kulm Hotel St. Moritz (www.kulm.com) was the first hotel to be built in St. Moritz. The Kulm Hotel opened its doors in 1856 and immediately became popular for summer spa and painting holidays, particularly among the British who comprised around 75% of the hotel guests. The then owner of the Kulm Hotel, Johannes Badrutt, initiated winter holidays to St. Moritz from 1864 and, as a result, the hotel, resort and Switzerland itself celebrated 150 years of winter tourism in the 2014/15 season.

Since the 19th century, the Kulm Hotel has changed considerably through expansion and renovation, but the fabulous location at the heart of St. Moritz with views over the Lake remains the same. A member of The Leading Hotels of the World, Kulm Hotel St. Moritz has 164 rooms, five restaurants (including formal dining in the Grand Restaurant, the K by Mauro Colagreco, the Italian Pizzeria with 14 Gault Millau points and local Engadine specialities at Chesa al Parc), the extensive Kulm Spa St. Moritz (with a 20m indoor pool with underwater music, various saunas and steam room, a

Jacuzzi, a fully-equipped gym and treatment rooms, all with stunning views over Lake St. Moritz) and six conference rooms, with capacities ranging from 50 to 500 people.

Entertainment and summer sports facilities include the 9-hole Kulm Golf Course St. Moritz (the oldest golf course in the country), three tennis courts and the Marmotta Kids' Club for younger guests.

Recent awards for the Kulm Hotel St. Moritz include:

- 2021 A Michelin star for the K at Kulm Hotel St. Moritz
- 2020 Conde Nast Traveler Reader's Choice Award – Best Hotels in Europe
- 2019 A Michelin star for “the K by Tim Raue” & 17 GaultMillau points
Conde Nast Traveller Readers' Choice Awards – 4th in the Top 20 Hotels in Central Europe category
Connoisseur Circle – Best Hospitality Grand Hotel
TripAdvisor Traveller's Choice Award, Hall of Fame and Certificate of Excellence
Forbes Travel Guide Award
- 2018 GaultMillau Hotel of the Year
Bilanz Chef of the Year – Claudia Canessa
TrustYou: Award of Excellence
Top rating in the hotel rankings of *SonntagsZeitung*, the renowned Swiss newspaper
Trivago National Award
Private Luxury Hotel of the Year at The World Luxury Hotel Awards
Weltwochen Ranking No.2
- 2017 One of the top ten most welcoming luxury hotels in Switzerland at the PRIX BIENVENU awards
Additionally, TripAdvisor Traveller's Choice Awards for five years in a row (2014-2018 inclusive)

In May 2016, Jenny and Heinz E. Hunkeler of the Kulm Hotel St. Moritz were named “Hoteliers of the Year 2016” by leading Swiss newspaper *SonntagsZeitung*, which publishes annual Hotel Rating Awards, the only honours sanctioned by Switzerland Tourism, the national tourist office.

Both the Kulm Hotel St. Moritz and its sister property Grand Hotel Kronenhof are owned by the Niarchos family.

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