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THE MURRAY WELCOMES THE BLOSSOM OF ITS OLD AND VALUABLE TREE

Presenting Blossom-inspired Dining Delights and Staycation Experience



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Hong Kong SAR, China, 20 April 2022 – [The Murray, Hong Kong](#) is delighted to celebrate the flowering season of the *Cassia javanica* var. *indochinensis*, our Old and Valuable Tree (O.V.T.). Guests and local residents are invited to appreciate the blossom and enjoy a myriad of activities including a restful staycation, a blossom-inspired afternoon tea and floral cocktails.

Welcoming the guests in the forecourt of the hotel entrance, the 17-meter-tall *Cassia javanica* var. *indochinensis* was present prior to the construction of the former Murray Building, and diligently preserved as the building was transformed to the luxury hotel. The tree was registered as an O.V.T. in 2004, the only O.V.T. of its species in Hong Kong, for its large size, precious species and historical significance. Every year between April and May, the majestic OVT flowers with stunning pink buds and white petals, hence fondly referred to as the “Pink and White Shower”. The blossom can be viewed from the Garden Level or through the iconic Arches, as if the gorgeous scene is a masterpiece framed by the arcade.

Pink and White in Bloom Staycation

Celebrate the elegance and history of this grande dame with a lovingly curated staycation where guests can admire its beauty, enjoy a leisure stay at the sanctuary and delight in dining treats inspired by our mother nature. Available for stays until 31 May 2022, Pink and White in Bloom package includes

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Cassia Afternoon Tea for two at the designated restaurant, Cassia-inspired welcome cocktails for two on the arrival day and a special 3-course wagyu beef set dinner for two.

Terms and conditions apply. For enquiries or reservations, please call +852 3141 8888 or email reservations@niccolohotels.com. Alternatively, book online at the [hotel website](#).

Cassia Afternoon Tea at Popinjays

After feasting the eyes, guests can honour this gift from Mother Nature with us at the rooftop bar and restaurant Popinjays where they can leisurely savour a delicate Cassia Afternoon Tea. Exclusively available during the flowering season, the afternoon tea is inspired by the OVT in full bloom, and ingeniously crafted with spring fruits and pink ingredients.

Exquisite sweet treats include the fruity White Peach Tart, carrying complementing textures and flavours of peach mousse and peach confit. The fruitiness balances well with the delightful tea aroma in Yuzu and Jasmine Choux. The adorably delicious Maple Raspberry Financier is a take on the classic recipe of French almond cake. Cherry Blossom Cake as well as Rose and Strawberry Roll offers natural floral notes that will surely whet your appetite.

For savoury bites, Shrimp Cocktail is paired with Horseradish Panna Cotta and Spicy Tomato Jam for extra layers of flavours. The intriguing combination of Beetroot Cured Salmon Finger Sandwich and Miso Cream Cheese complements well. Not-to-be-missed also includes the umami Cod Fish Tarama Puff, Sweet Pea Tart with Soft Herbs Ricotta and Smoked Duck Baguette Sandwich with Arugula.

The afternoon tea also comes with homemade plain scones and raisin scones, served with strawberry jam and clotted cream.

Venue: Popinjays, 26/F, The Murray, Hong Kong
Date: Now until 12 June 2022
Time: Monday – Friday 3:30 p.m. to 5:45 p.m.;
Saturday, Sunday and Public Holiday 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m.
Price: HKD 748 for two, inclusive of selected coffee or tea

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Cassia-inspired Cocktails

Our mixologists have created three floral cocktails paying homage to the cassia blossom, for guests to ring in the springtime while dining at Garden Lounge, Murray Lane and Popinjays.

The chamomile gin-based "Cassia Sour" mixing a variety of fruits such as peach liqueur, mango juice and orange juice, is full of delicate sweet and fruity aroma. "Elder Garden" blends Mezcal with Campari, blood orange puree, lime juice, and elderflower syrup. The Japanese-style "Haru Blossom" features Four Fox Sake, Cointreau, cherry blossom syrup, lemon juice and butterfly pea syrup, presenting a romantic and dreamy color. All cocktails are priced at HKD 110 per glass.

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About The Murray, Hong Kong, a Niccolo Hotel

The Murray, Hong Kong, a Niccolo Hotel is a high-profile preservation project by British international studio for architecture and integrated design Foster + Partners. The hotel, part of Hong Kong SAR's Conserving Central initiative, was previously the stand-alone Murray Building, one of the city's most iconic landmarks. The USHKD 1 billion contemporary sanctuary features 336 oversized rooms and suites spanning 25 floors. Other facilities include a swimming pool and spa, a stunning rooftop bar with breath-taking views of the central business district and the green oasis of Hong Kong Park, a series of signature restaurants and bars, as well as creative meeting and event spaces. The Murray is also the first hotel in China and Hong Kong to be listed as "Sharecare VERIFIED® Health Security with Forbes Travel Guide" to recognise the hotel's health security achievement. The Murray is a member of the Global Hotel Alliance (GHA), the world's largest alliance of independent hotel brands, bringing together 35 brands with over 500 hotels in 85 countries. Further details on The Murray, Hong Kong are available at niccolohotels.com.

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