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# Golden Standard



Mövenpick Mansour Eddahbi

Visitors of the captivating Red City of Marrakech are spoilt for choice when it comes to accommodations. The city is filled with lovely "riad-style" hotels and multi-chain ones. So when the Mövenpick Hotel Mansour Eddahbi decided to reopen its doors after an impressive six-year renovation in Marrakech, it tapped studio MHNA to design the hotel and lead the renovation. Founded by Marc Hertrich & Nicolas Adnet, the Paris studio has been operating for over 20 years and have worked on numerous projects around the world including homes, hotels, spas, and restaurants.

Just a few minutes away from the bustling Medina in the central L'Hivernage district, the 5-star hotel features 503 rooms, six restaurants and bars, O de Rose spa and wellbeing centre, three swimming pools and a kids club. The city centre hotel takes its inspiration from, Ahmed Al Mansour Eddahbi, Sultan of the Saadian dynasty, who propelled Marrakech to new cultural heights. This stylish oasis offers an ode to the wealth and beauty of these desert rarities by honoring the cultural heritage, decorative arts and magic of the ever-fascinating country that is Morocco.



Upon passing the gated promenade, you can admire the interplay of light and shadow, where some 700 candles illuminate the way before arriving at the entrance of the resort. You can then take in the soothing bronze colors decorating the lobby and further explore the majestic halls surrounding the extravagant and brightly colored heart of the resort. This backdrop is what houses the ultimate treasure of any oasis: its water source.

From the main building, you can discover the lush gardens, which were completely redesigned by the landscape gardener Madison Cox and Studio MHNA. The garden's palm trees, citrus trees, olive trees and pepper plants offer an array of relaxing spaces where you can completely unwind. You can also cool off by the refreshing fountains and the resort's four different pools.



The alleys of the garden lead to two different restaurants: SARAY, which serves a buffet style of international cuisine and authentic Moroccan dishes was inspired by the culture of the wandering tribes, the décor emulates caïdal tents in a courtyard filled with palms and olive trees. JAMRA, a bar & grill restaurant, overlooking the lower pool offers its guests an exquisite blend of grills and refreshing drinks in a contemporary and colorful setting.

The design of the rooms and suites was inspired by "caravanserais," with soft muted colors that are enhanced with pops of bright colors. A mix of contemporary and traditional style, Studio MHNA creates a calming ambiance that invites total relaxation. The apex of these suites is the 290 square-meter penthouse with a private pool.

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