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THE RITTENHOUSE

Newly opened Park Suites at The Rittenhouse Were Named Some of the Most Luxurious Hotel Suites in the World

The Wall Street Journal's recent round-up of luxurious suites include those at Philadelphia's most prestigious hotel.

(Philadelphia) – August 26, 2013 Philadelphia's most prestigious and beloved AAA Five Diamond hotel, The Rittenhouse, is now in the same company as some of the most luxurious hotels around the globe. Wall Street Journal recently named the newly opened Park Suites at The Rittenhouse as some of the world's most luxurious hotel suites, alongside properties such as The Corinthia Hotel London, Mandarin Oriental Paris, Raffles Dubai and Hotel Bel-Air in Los Angeles.

The [article](#), released over this past weekend, describes a growing trend in the industry of luxury hotels that stand out in the market because of their completely unique, exclusive and very posh offerings. As one of only a few hotels mentioned that are located in the United States, The Rittenhouse's Park Suites boast spacious settings, tree-top views of Rittenhouse Square and exceptional amenities that make them ideal for important business gatherings, comfortably accommodating up to twenty-five guests at events or vacationing with families in a stylish retreat.

After Philadelphia-based Hersha Hospitality Trust (NYSE: HT) acquired The Rittenhouse in 2012, a multi-year series of enhancements were planned for the hotel, including the creation of the Park Suites, as well as the addition of The Library Bar, revamping of the Mary Cassatt Tea Room and a refresh to the lobby area.

Designed by internationally renowned interior designer Alexandra Champalimaud, who set the design style for properties such as The Carlyle in Manhattan, Claridge's and The Berkeley in London, the Park Suites take the art of gracious living to new heights. Expansive floor plans, enchanting treetop views of Rittenhouse Square, and world-class design blends the landmark hotel's classic style and elegance with a fresh, new look to deliver a more contemporary experience for guests.

Opening into an expansive living area with sitting room, dining space and a private kitchen and bar, the Park Suites serve as a true urban sanctuary for guests. Each master bedroom is anchored by a burnt oak 4-poster king bed with sand Belgian linen fabric upholstery. The en-suite bath inspires calm relaxation with a walk-in shower adorned with Kohler massage shower and separate silver travertine bathtub, as well as plush bathrobes and Acqua di Parma Spa bath amenities. All suites have custom mood lighting, complimentary in-room wireless high speed internet access, 42" flat panel high-definition televisions and custom wet bars with refrigeration and built in microwave ovens.

The re-awakened adjoining Gallery entry provides an impressive and private arrival experience designed exclusively for the Park Suites. Carefully curated displays of books and artworks gathered specifically for their relevance to the history of Philadelphia combined with a refined color scheme of stained grey anigre millwork, inviting chartreuse leather chairs and soft lighting, the Gallery redesign creates a hushed sense of privacy for guests wishing to escape the vibrancy of the city.

To read more about the world's most luxurious hotel suites, click [here](#). For more information about The Rittenhouse and newly opened Park Suites, go to www.rittenhousehotel.com or call 215.546.9000.

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About The Rittenhouse

The Rittenhouse is a 116-room independent luxury hotel that has received the prestigious AAA Five Diamond award for more than 20 years. The landmark hotel is also a member of Leading Hotels of the World and considered Philadelphia's most distinguished address. Opened in 1989, The Rittenhouse is ideally situated on Philadelphia's famed Rittenhouse Square, within walking distance to the heart of the business district and premier shopping corridor. Additionally, the hotel affords easy access to the Philadelphia Convention Center and all of the City's numerous arts, cultural, dining and entertainment venues. www.RittenhouseHotel.com

About Hersha Hospitality Trust

Hersha Hospitality Trust is a self-advised real estate investment trust that owns 65 hotels in major urban gateway markets including New York, Washington, Boston, Philadelphia, Southern California and Miami totaling 9,616 rooms. HT follows a highly selective investment approach and leverages operational advantage through rigorous and sustainable asset management practices. For further information on the Company visit our website at www.hersha.com

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