



SANKARA NAIROBI NAMED IN CONDÉ NAST TRAVELLER HOT LIST 2011

April 2011 – Sankara Nairobi has earned a coveted spot on the *Condé Nast Traveller Hot List for 2011*, being ranked amongst only 65 of the most ‘extraordinary’ new hotels and resorts around the world. (<http://www.cntraveller.com/awards/the-hot-list/hot-list-2011/sankara-nairobi>)

Lauding the hotel as ‘contemporary–luxury, state-of-the-art’, the service is described as ‘consistently excellent and charming’.

Condé Nast Traveller particularly emphasised the contemporary East African art collection. Expertly curated by Marc Van Rampelberg it features key works by the likes of Eritrean painter Fitsum, Tonio Trzebinski as well as sculptures by Lilanga. All of which give ‘soul’ to Sankara Nairobi.

The leading travel authority likewise highlighted Sankara’s vibrant dining experience with its ‘hum on the first floor where Kenyans [and] expats... talk business, dine and admire the show kitchen and wall display of 1,000 bottles of wine’. Sankara’s innovative restaurants and bars are overseen by Executive Chef Gaetano Sgroi,

General Manager, Moshi Perera said ‘We are honoured to be included in such an illustrious listing, having been successfully assessed by the Condé Nast Traveller team among stiff competition globally. This reaffirms Sankara Nairobi’s positioning within the region as a distinctive destination for the discerning traveller, wanting a personal experience that resonates with their lifestyles yet deeply inspired by the spirit of our location’. He further

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added 'this is a testament to the passion of our team, to their commitment in going the extra mile to ensure our guests' expectations are exceeded'.

This is the second international recognition that Sankara Nairobi has received since its opening its doors in August 2010. The hotel was listed in the annual Wallpaper and Fortune magazine's best new business hotels around the globe shortlist. With only 40 hotels on the shortlist, Sankara was the only property featured from the region.

Moshi Perera was recently appointed Sankara Nairobi's General Manager in April 2011. An Anglo-Sri Lankan hotelier, he has an accomplished background from diverse and often demanding markets. Prior to his appointment at Sankara, Moshi was the GM for the five-star Hyatt Regency Almaty Rahat Palace in Central Asia. He has worked in some of the world's most exclusive hotels including the famous London hotel Grosvenor House and the deluxe Lowndes Hotel. Much of Moshi's management career has been spent with Hyatt Hotels from the Hyatt Regency Taba Heights to taking up a post in the EAME Regional offices of Hyatt in Zurich as General Manager for pre-opening hotels. He has a bachelor degree in Hotel Management and Business Administration at three campuses in London, Strasbourg, France and Engelberg, Switzerland.

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About Sankara Nairobi

Created and Managed by Sankara Hotels & Resorts, the 156 room Sankara Nairobi represents a modern generation of urban hotels. Recognising the needs of the modern traveller, Sankara balances contemporary design, incorporating the latest facilities and technologies with local influences creating a definitive 'sense of place'. While guest rooms are conceived as spaces of tranquillity and functionality, social spaces offer elements of surprise and delight. The hotel houses the city's most authoritative representation of contemporary East African art as well as the first Angsana Spa by Banyan Tree Group in Eastern Africa.

Sankara Hotels & Resorts is a progressive hotel operator offering guests a truly memorable experience. The company's vision is to be a leader in creating and operating contemporary, luxury hotels that set industry standards in the markets in which it operates. Defined by their warm and vibrant personality, Sankara hotels are inspired by the spirit of their location. We passionately believe in offering a service that is effortless, personal and genuine, enabling our guests to do the things they value most.. Learn more at www.sankara.com.