

## **JW Marriott Los Angeles L.A. LIVE Opens Savoca - a Californian Trattoria**

*The dining destination embodies California Dolce Vita with pastas handmade in-house and a bright, airy, and social dining space*

**LOS ANGELES, Jan. 29, 2020** – JW Marriott Los Angeles L.A. LIVE announces the opening of its brand-new lobby restaurant, Savoca – a Californian Trattoria. Serving breakfast, lunch and dinner, Savoca features dishes influenced by the Italian tradition of uncomplicated yet intense flavor using regionally sourced ingredients whenever possible.

“Savoca is meant to embrace a California dolce vita, merging a passion for delicious, Italian-influenced food with effortless style and social atmosphere,” shared Javier Cano, General Manager JW Marriott Los Angeles L.A. LIVE. “Both Italy and California are among the most beloved culinary destinations in the world, and we wanted to tap into the spirit of both locales to offer a truly unique dining experience for downtown Los Angeles.”

The culinary direction of Savoca is led by Chef Nathaniel Marcus, who spent time at Excelsior Hotel Gallia, a Luxury Collection hotel in Milan to gain first-hand knowledge of generational cooking in Italy, and work with masters of pasta making. Chef Nathaniel brings the recipes, techniques, and social nature of the Italian kitchen together with his nearly decade of experience with JW Marriott Los Angeles L.A. LIVE to Savoca.

Chef Nathaniel has developed a menu with ingredients inspired by the similar climates of Southern California and Italy, emphasizing the shared seasons and produce. A focal point of the menu is a selection of house-made pastas – agnolotti, campanelle, tagliatelle, bucatini and more are all made from scratch in the Savoca kitchen, complemented by locally sourced ingredients.

Additional menu highlights include classic breakfast dishes with an Italian twist, such as **Eggs in Purgatory**, fresh eggs poached to perfection in sausage based tomato sauce with mozzarella; and a morning version of the classic **Cacio e Pepe**, with scrambled eggs, pecorino cheese, pepper and grilled focaccia. For lunch and dinner, guests enjoy starters such as **Gioia Cheese Burrata**, with Balsamic-cherry jam and coccoli bread; and **Cioppino**, a traditional stew with sausage, borlotti beans, and heirloom tomato, as well

as heartier dishes like **Roasted Branzino**, **Flannery Bistecca Fiorentina** and a selection of pizzas.

The wine program focuses on California and Italian vintages with selects from Sicily, while curated cocktails spotlight Italian themes like **The Godfather** with Glenlivet Scotch and Amaretto; and **Cello Drop** with Absolut Citron and Limoncello. Savoca also offers a selection of non-alcoholic traditional style Italian Sodas such as **La Marmellata** with Orange Marmalade, Ginger Ale, Orange Juice, Cream and **Blu Ragazza** with Raspberry, Soda, Cream.

The 120-seat restaurant design is inspired by its namesake Sicilian town, and creates an open layout. Light and bright, décor elements include terrazzo marble tabletops, coral cushioned booths, and a lively floral mural across the entire back wall of the atrium space – ultimately embodying a California sense of place with the spirit of Italy.

Savoca is open daily for breakfast, 6:30 – 11:00 a.m.; lunch 11:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. and dinner 5:30 – 10:00 p.m. Reservations can be made [online](#) or by calling 213.765.8630

#### **ABOUT JW MARRIOTT LOS ANGELES L.A. LIVE**

Located in the heart of downtown Los Angeles, the JW Marriott serves as the focal point of the L.A. LIVE district, offering travelers a front seat to world-class sports and entertainment. The hotel features 878 stylish guest rooms, a full service spa and fitness center, outdoor heated pool, diverse dining options, and 100,000 square feet of versatile meeting space. The JW Marriott Los Angeles shares the distinctive 54-story tower with sister hotel The Ritz-Carlton, Los Angeles and The Ritz-Carlton Residences at L.A. LIVE. Steps away from STAPLES Center, Microsoft Theater, The GRAMMY Museum and an array of restaurants, venues and nightspots, the JW Marriott Los Angeles is at the center of one of the most exciting parts of the city.

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