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Celebrated cocktail connoisseur Salvatore Calabrese creates 'Grace' cocktail for prestige boutique hotel group

- New cocktail designed to evoke graceful theme of luxury hotel



Boutique hotel group, Grace Hotels, has engaged world renowned bartender and cocktail creator, Salvatore Calabrese, to design a cocktail that will become the signature drink of the stylish hotels whose first property, the Mykonos Grace, opened to the public earlier this year. The cocktail has been formulated to live up to the hotel group's slogan: 'Whatever you do, do it with Grace'.

The new cocktail recipe unveiled today is as follows:

- *5cl Grey Goose pear vodka*
- *5 cl apple juice*
- *5cl pear puree*
- *2cl lemon juice*
- *1inch (3cm) of fresh lemon grass*
- *dash of Monin honey syrup*

Dice the lemon grass place into the bottom of the shaker and muddle. Add ice and all remaining ingredients. Shake vigorously. Strain into highball glass filled with crushed ice, serve with a straw, garnish with one straw of lemon grass and a sprig of mint.

Commenting on the new cocktail, Salvatore Calabrese stated: *“My brief was to provide a refreshing drink that would evoke the mood of Grace— stylish, high quality and an altogether graceful experience. The result is a drink that is packed with freshness but with a distinct sophistication and subtlety that comes from using the finest ingredients.”*

A spokesman for Grace Hotels commented that the group was thrilled to have one of the most celebrated drinks experts create its signature drink. The company hopes that the cocktail will prove a firm favourite among its guests and be adopted by bartenders across the world.

The first Grace hotel, the Mykonos Grace, in the heart of the Cyclades Islands of Greece, opened in Spring 2007. The company has three further properties under development with more in the pipeline. The Grace concept also encompasses city centre hotels as well as combined hotel and residences developments.

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Salvatore Calabrese

Salvatore Calabrese is a cocktail creator, drinks connoisseur and author. His private members club, ‘Salvatore at 50’ in London’s St James’s is built on Salvatore’s reputation as one of the UK’s most celebrated bartenders, established at the Lanesborough Hotel. He has received accolades for his world class expertise on vintage Cognacs and his work is constantly profiled in major magazines such as Tatler and Decanter.

The ultimate specialist in drinks, Salvatore’s list of published books includes Classic After Dinner Drinks (1999), the Bartenders’ Guide (2003) and, most recently, Virgin Cocktails and Sexy Cocktails, all published by Sterling.

Grace Hotels

Grace Hotels is an entirely new concept in luxury hotels and residences and is a subsidiary of First Mediterranean Investments (FMI), part of modern global conglomerate, the [Libra Group](#). Grace hotels are designed to offer sanctuary and quality for discerning guests in the most sought after resorts and cities. The company’s first boutique hotel, [The Mykonos Grace](#) opened in the heart of Greece’s Cyclades Islands in April 2007. The company has further hotels under development including the Santorini Grace, The Paros Grace Hotel and Residences and the Kea Grace Hotel & Residences. The Grace concept promises the very best service; the most comfortable accommodation and the finest food and drink - all in a contemporary environment that is both luxurious and serene.

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