



THE SEBASTIAN, TIMBERS RESORTS' NEWEST BOUTIQUE HOTEL & RESIDENCE CLUB, OPENS ITS DOORS IN VAIL

Grand Opening Encompasses New Fine Dining Restaurant, Block 16; Destination Spa, Bloom; and Local Hot Spot, Frost Bar

VAIL, COLO. – (January 5, 2010) – [Timbers Resorts](#) is pleased to present [The Sebastian Vail](#), formerly The Vail Plaza Hotel & Club, in Vail, Colorado. Designated as a Member of Preferred Hotels & Resorts, The Sebastian has officially opened as Vail's newest boutique hotel and residence club. Centrally located at the gateway to Vail Village, The Sebastian's location affords the privacy one covets during a vacation, yet remains only steps away from endless adventures on the slopes, as well as numerous [Vail restaurants](#), galleries, [Vail bars](#) and boutiques.

As the newest Vail boutique resort, The Sebastian unveils luxurious hotel rooms and private residence club accommodations; a new fine dining restaurant, Block 16; destination spa, Bloom; local hot spot, Frost Bar; a gourmet cafe, Market; 8,000 square feet of meeting and conference space; and a Private Residence Club comprised of 36 luxury residences.

“We have been looking for that perfect jewel in Vail, Colorado, for many years and we are very excited to have found it here at The Sebastian,” said David A. Burden, CEO & Founder of Timbers Resorts. “We have expanded our brand into hotel and restaurant management so that we can ensure the highest quality of standards and the experience that our owners and guests have come to expect from Timbers Resorts' properties worldwide.”

Luxury hotelier Michael Oprish, former General Manager of Bernardus Lodge in Carmel, CA, was hired by Timbers Resorts and appointed General Manager of The Sebastian to direct and oversee all daily operations.

Hotel Accommodations

As one of the newest [Vail hotels](#), The Sebastian is situated with panoramic Rocky Mountain views. The 100 guestrooms and seven suites within the hotel offer comfortable, private quarters in one of Colorado's most celebrated towns. All rooms exude contented elegance and are appointed with custom-designed furnishings. Accommodations include welcome refreshments, plush bathrobes, slippers, nightly turndown service, Italian cotton sheets, HDTVs, iHome docking stations and refrigerators.

Nightly hotel room rates range from \$295 to \$884, depending on the season; suites range from \$725 to \$4,437. Reservations can be made via www.thesebastianvail.com or 800.724.6535; concierge service and reservations for spa and restaurants also are available.

Dining

Inspired by Napa Valley and aptly named [Block 16](#), with “block” referring to the specific lot of vineyard land sourcing the most pristine fruit, the new signature fine dining restaurant at The Sebastian showcases the best of farm-to-table fresh, seasonal, local and organic ingredients. Executive Chef Sergio Howland utilizes the best ingredients from Vail Valley and the surrounding regions to provide diners with a refreshing take on elegantly refined, unpretentious dining at the foot of the mountains. Block 16 will create simply prepared, ingredient-driven dishes thoughtfully paired with an extensive wine program central to the dining experience. The 1000-bottle wine silo will be the focal point of the dining ambiance.

Additionally, the new [Frost Bar](#) offers a selection of small bites and throwback cocktails for owners, hotel guests and the Vail community in a contemporary setting. Frost also includes the largest Scotch collection in the mountains. The Library, adjacent to Frost, serves as a welcoming place to gather year-round with elegant artwork and intriguing reads. Market, an artisan deli and provisioner, acts as the source for sundries and to-go items, as well as breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Spa

Committed to supporting and nurturing a healthy lifestyle, [Bloom Spa](#) offers a full service menu of therapies, facials and nail care all with guests' active lifestyles in mind. The Spa is tastefully appointed and thoughtfully attended to ensure that each visit is peaceful, memorable and rejuvenating. The Spa is adorned with six treatment rooms including a couple's room, a hydrotherapy room, three massage rooms and a facial room. Additionally, steam rooms and saunas are located in the men and women's areas. In-suite services are also available as well as a pop-up Spa that will move to different locations within the hotel throughout the year.

Meetings & Conferences

Group travel planners have access to an 8,000-square-foot conference center and [meeting facilities](#) with expert support staff and the latest infrastructure. In addition to stunning outdoor areas on the new pool terrace, The Sebastian's banquet space includes two ballrooms, a boardroom and up to 10 individual breakout rooms. The Sebastian is the perfect place for Vail weddings, group and business events or other family celebrations.

Private Residence Club

The Private Residence Club is comprised of 36 residences with two different offerings. A four-week membership starts at \$310,000 and a Founder's Club eight-week offering starts at \$580,000. Both offerings include membership in Timbers Collection, which is comprised of a host of perks and privileges from travel partners to reciprocity among properties in the Timbers Resorts' portfolio. Timbers Resorts is enhancing the ownership experience with increased activities ranging from wine tastings to cooking classes to poolside barbecues. For ownership information, please call 866.371.2585.

About Timbers Resorts:

Since 1999, Timbers Resorts, the developer of small, private, luxury resort properties including private residence clubs, boutique hotels, and club communities has established an unrivaled reputation in the real estate industry. Its exclusive collection of intimate, prestigious developments unlike any other, reside in the most sought-after destinations in the world.

Current Timbers Resorts properties include The Timbers Club in Snowmass, Colorado; Esperanza in Cabo San Lucas, Mexico; The Rocks Luxury Residence Club in Scottsdale, Arizona; Castello di Casole in Tuscany, Italy; The Preserve at Botany Bay on St. Thomas in the U.S. Virgin Islands; One Steamboat Place in Steamboat Springs, Colorado; The Orchard at The Carneros Inn in Napa, CA; and The Villas at Rancho Valencia in Rancho Santa Fe, CA; The Links Cottages at Doonbeg in County Clare, Ireland; and now The Sebastian in Vail.

With these properties, Timbers Resorts has taken the concept of real estate to a new level of luxury, exclusivity and personal service by creating Timbers Collection which provides reciprocity between resorts through Timbers Reciprocity Program, as well as a host of partnerships with purveyors of travel and the art of living well such as Sentient Jet, Backroads, Hertz, Priority Pass and more. For more information, please visit www.TimbersResorts.com.

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