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NEWLY-APPOINTED BEVERAGE AND BAR MANAGER TURAL HASANOV LAUNCHES INSPIRATIONAL COCKTAIL MENUS IN THE HIDDEN BAR OF THE RITZ BAR & LOUNGE



The Ritz Bar & Lounge

Shanghai, China, November 2019 – With resounding reputation as one of Shanghai's institutional bars, The Ritz Bar & Lounge continues to line up a series of iconic cocktail experiences introduced by the newly-appointed Beverage and Bar Manager, Tural Hasanov. Taking inspirations from Shanghai heritage and inspiring moments in life, Tural launched eight new cocktail collections in The Hidden Bar of The Ritz Bar & Lounge, celebrating local ingredients, world famous delights and spirits that pique the senses of discerning cocktail connoisseurs.



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The Hidden Bar is a mystery bar replete with untold stories behind the curtain, where guests can enjoy the exclusivity of uncovering new menus. Amidst an air of anticipation and curiosity, guests will be taken on an intriguing journey presented by newly-appointed Bar Manager, Tural Hasanov. Classic old movies, rhythmic jazz, the aroma of oak, artistic cocktails, flavors filled with surprises... it's a unique experience revolving around art and craftsmanship.

"Every cocktail is a piece of art with a story to tell." – Born in a small town in Azerbaijan, Tural was highly involved in art activities in his childhood and studied Arts and Music at school. He has an inherent sense of art that he turns every concoction into a piece of art with an inspiring story.



Beverage and Bar Manager, Tural Hasanov

Tural's passion for cocktail was ignited by a drink at the oldest hotel bar in Baku. He then took the steps to gain professional knowledge in his early age by taking Mixologist Diploma at The International Bartender's School, and further honed his skills and established a strong foundation for hand-crafted cocktails in a popular bar in Baku, an exclusive bar in Bahrain and he led the bar teams at two luxury hotel bars – At.mosphere in the world's tallest building Burj Khalifa, at Armani Hotel Dubai (the world's first hotel designed and developed by Giorgio Armani) and Gangehi and Hanimadhoo Islands in Maldives. With 10 years of industry experience and his endless creativity, Tural provides first-class drinks, warmth and hospitality to every guest.

"The menu, I wanted to create a redefined cocktail experience, focusing on unique local ingredients, renowned classics and exploration in new cocktail twists," says Tural, "By using techniques such as distillation, preservation and fermentation, we are able to create combinations that will surprise our guests. Besides the tastes of cocktails, I will also introduce new presentations that make the cocktail journey to be more complete and layered."

The new menu – *The Untold Story* is divided into eight selections of cocktails:

YE SHANGHAI

Inspired by the golden era of Shanghai, this 21st anniversary cocktail pays tribute to the everlasting history of the hotel. Incorporating local flavours and fine spirits, all ingredients have married for 21 days in vacuum containers. A perfect concoction to usher in a memorable evening.

10% of the amount earned from this cocktail will be contributed to supporting restoration programs of cultural heritage sites and buildings of our home, Shanghai.



Ye Shanghai Cocktail

YIN YANG

A unique interpretation of Yin Yang from the concept of dualism in ancient Chinese philosophy. By using a variety of local ingredients, this Baijiu based cocktail presents a seemingly contrary taste of black and white – strong and spicy, light and sweet; while the actual taste is complementary and interconnected.

MYSTERY BOX

One of The Ritz Bar's landmark creations full of unknown surprises, start a journey of unforgettable tastes. Each cocktail is served in a tailor-made mystery box surrounded by aromatic vapor.



Mystery Box - Bitter

MASTERPIECES

Favorite creations of Tural Hasanov, inspired by his passion for cocktails, capturing every fine piece of memory into every hand-crafted masterpiece. Each masterpiece will be served in a set with one local appetizer and dessert.



Masterpiece – Wishing on a falling star

ANGEL'S SHARE

Timeless tastes for remarkable moments. Cocktails in this selection have been aged for one to three months in different oak barrels in house - Double Aged Old Fashioned, Negroni, Manhattan, Sazerac.



Aged Cocktail

ROYAL CLASSICS

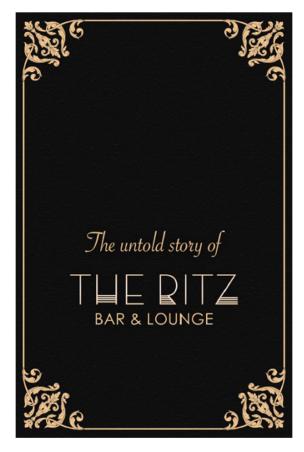
Finest, notable and limited - a fascinating royal collection of all time.

CLASSIC COCKTAILS

A journey back to the renowned classics, tasting cocktails in different critical historic periods. All the Old Fashioned are made with homemade syrup using sugar cane, citrus and bitters which then fermented for one week.

SERENDIPITY

Limited edition cocktail -25 limited edition cocktails created by master craftsmen using time-honored methods in the art of mixology. Enjoy in moderation, in same way it is made, slow ad unhurried.



Unwind and spend the night in The Hidden Bar with new inventions and all-time favorites handcrafted by the bar team. Have a memorable cocktail journey. #RCMemories

Cocktails are from RMB 108 per glass. The prices are all-inclusive prices.

Address:

The Ritz Bar & Lounge, Level 1, The Portman Ritz-Carlton, Shanghai

Operating hours of The Hidden Bar in The Ritz Bar & Lounge:

Every Tuesday to Thursday, from 9pm to 1am

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About The Portman Ritz-Carlton, Shanghai

The Portman Ritz-Carlton, Shanghai is a 610-room luxury hotel located in the Shanghai Centre retail, dining and entertainment complex on the renowned Nanjing West Road. Situated in the heart of the commercial, shopping and entertainment district of the city, the luxury hotel features unparalleled service, exquisite dining experiences including the new Ritz Bar & Lounge and spacious accommodations. An extensive health club with swimming pool and gym are also featured at the downtown Shanghai hotel.

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