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## **The Annapolis Waterfront Hotel Reemerges from Multi-million Dollar Renovation**

*Treasured harborside hotel harmonizes contemporary nautical charm with its place as one of the finest historic hotels in Annapolis*

**Annapolis, MD – August 20, 2020** – [The Annapolis Waterfront Hotel](#), a member of Marriott International’s [Autograph Collection](#), is stepping out with a reimagined guest experience inside and out following a comprehensive, multi-million dollar renovation. From the exterior to the 150 guest rooms to the extensive meetings and event spaces, the timeless charm of seaside hospitality both the hotel and destination are known for; shine brighter than ever.

“The Annapolis Waterfront Hotel has always offered an unmatched experience here in Annapolis,” said General Manager Matt Nelson. “The thoughtful design takes this gem that has stood watch over the beautiful Annapolis Harbor for decades to a welcomed new level and the feedback from guests past and present has been overwhelmingly positive.”

The expression “fair winds and following seas” has long been used to wish safe travel at sea, offering a sense of security and peace meant to comfort any traveler. At the newly renovated Annapolis Waterfront Hotel, the only hotel in the destination situated on the water, this mantra is lived out in every gracious detail thanks to Washington, D.C.-based design firm [Baskervill](#). The renovation brings the historic hotel’s harborside location inside with a maritime-inspired design.

Upon arrival, immediately noticeable is the building’s original brick façade, now a welcoming white, set off beautifully by new awnings, lighting, furniture, and planters to complete the contemporary-meets-coastal-classic look. Ocean hues of blues, grays, and tans beckon guests in, richly layering fabric and textural accents, complemented by natural materials in furniture and accessories throughout the rooms and public areas. An eclectic collection of artwork, curated assortment of furniture and organic patterns inspired by the graceful movement of the winds and seas gives the space a charming and residential feel, all complemented by unparalleled harbor views.

Enhancing the existing water and vibrant city views, each of the 150 guest rooms and the signature Waterfront Harbor Suite boast thoughtful details inspired by elements of a sailboat, with warm tones and textures derived from the sailboat cabins in the hull of a vintage seafaring vessel. Featuring walnut hardwood floors reminiscent of a boat deck and a tufted channel headboard with brass nailheads inspired by nautical hardware, guests are welcomed with bright white linens with coastal blue trim. Bathrooms have been completely redone in tonal blues and whites.

For meetings, events, and weddings, The Annapolis Waterfront Hotel is unmatched with its newly renovated 9 event rooms, over 6,000 square feet of interior event space plus 8,500 square feet of adjoining outdoor event space with stunning harbor views. In the Chesapeake Ballroom, which walks out to an open-air patio event and dining space overlooking the Annapolis Harbor, subtle



nautical influences imbue the space with warmth and familiarity. The essence of a historic, seaside town is infused into all aspects, resulting in an upscale, authentic sense of place.

"It is a rare opportunity to be able to transform a hotel in its entirety – to really see the concept take shape in every space and detail from the inside out. We worked in close collaboration with Hersha Hotels and Resorts to really make their vision a reality," said Baskervill Principal Adrienne Scribner, CID, ASID, NCIDQ, who led design for the project.

The location of the Annapolis Waterfront Hotel is irreplaceable and visitors find there is no better place from which to launch their Annapolis exploration, or get down to business with ease. The iconic hotel is also home to Pusser's Caribbean Grille, a waterfront favorite regional restaurant and bar. As the only hotel on the Annapolis waterfront, and surrounded by the bustling boating culture of The Chesapeake Bay, the property is also adjacent to the town square, the Annapolis Yacht Basin and Annapolis Yacht Club. Located at the pedestrian core of the remarkably walkable city and a short walk from the Main Gate of the United States Naval Academy, the Annapolis Waterfront Hotel is an ideal destination for leisure and business travelers.

Annapolis Waterfront is participating in Hersha Hotels and Resorts Rest Assured Program™, outlined in their COVID-10 updates [here](#). The Rest Assured Program™ is a 5-point program to ensure guests and staff are safe while on property. The program includes increased cleaning and sanitation measures, reimaged guest services, innovative accommodations and proactive communication between staff and guests.

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