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**HERITAGE HOTELS & RESORTS OPENS NEW INN IN HISTORIC  
TAOS, NEW MEXICO**

***Beautiful Retreat, Palacio de Marquesa,  
Pays Tribute to Famous Women Artists***

ALBUQUERQUE, NM – (AUGUST 2014) – Heritage Hotels and Resorts, Inc. (<http://www.hhandr.com>) are announcing the doors are now open at Palacio de Marquesa (<http://www.marquesataos.com>) an upscale, 8-room inn located in historic Taos, New Mexico. The inn offers guests a luxury retreat while paying homage to famous women artists, who have lived in Taos. The inn offers complimentary gourmet breakfasts, as well as, seasonal workshops including artist and cooking classes in the communal living room and in the property's high desert garden. In room spa services are also available to guests.

**DESIGN**

The pet-friendly inn offers guests luxury private rooms and bathrooms, located a few blocks from Taos Plaza. The southwestern style inn is designed with contemporary touches including brushed-metal canopy beds with Frette linens, modern furnishings, northern New Mexican original woven bed throws from Chimayo, Saltillo tiles and viga wood ceilings. The rooms, decorated in ivory and silver, offer flat-screen televisions, private fireplaces and luxurious marble bathrooms.

**COMMUNAL ROOMS**

Gourmet breakfasts, made-to-order, are offered in the Community room or delivered to guest rooms in a basket. The Community Room is made up of a living room, dining room, seating areas, two fireplaces and a small library. Activities, demonstrations and classes including health and wellness, cooking and art classes are offered on a seasonal basis in the communal room or in the high desert garden. The inn also offers private picnic lunches for guests who opt to explore Taos or the surrounding areas.

## **FEMALE ARTIST TRIBUTE**

The design of the newly remodeled inn pays tribute to the remarkable stories of the women of Taos. The town of Taos began drawing artists in the early 1900s. A number of very notable female artists including Millicent Rogers, Mable Dodge Luhan, Agnes Martin, Georgia O'Keefe and others. Each of the 8 rooms has adopted a Taos patron and the rooms design and theme honors the vision and contributions of that particular woman. Every detail from incorporating the artist's signature elements, such as turquoise and fur, to hanging prints of the artists work in the rooms have been thoughtfully planned out by the hotel's signature designer, Adriana Long.

"We wanted to create something unique for guests in Taos. A place that celebrates the remarkable women artists that Taos is so well known for," explains Adriana Long, Interior Designer, Heritage Hotels & Resorts. Long has been collecting pieces for the new property for over a year and is excited to be able to showcase the new tribute inn. "We've created a luxury retreat, that blends original art, southwestern culture, contemporary design and modern accommodations in one of the most beautiful mountain havens in the country."

## **LOCATION**

The historic inn is a short 6-block walk from Taos Plaza. Since the area is well known for Taos Mountain and the Rio Grande Gorge, the new inn offers outdoor enthusiasts a new venue option.

"Taos is known for it's art galleries but also it's a must-see destination for year-round outdoor recreation including world-class skiing, snowboarding, snowshoeing, white-water rafting, hiking, rock climbing, mountain biking and horseback riding. Palacio de Marquesa offers a tranquil retreat from the summer heat and is a perfect winter hideaway with easy access to Taos Ski Valley and cozy fireplaces in each room," states Asia Golden, manger, Palacio de Marquesa.

Palacio de Marquesa is a part of the 8-property collection of culturally distinct hotels in New Mexico, managed by Heritage Hotels and Resorts, Inc. Most recently, Heritage Hotels and Resorts announced the company is building a new luxury hotel in old town Albuquerque to be completed in 2017. For details see [www.hhandr.com](http://www.hhandr.com)

## **PHOTOS AND MORE:**

Photos of the property can be viewed and downloaded here. If used, please courtesy "Palacio de Marquesa/Taos":

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/hhandr/sets/72157634130647512/>

To Line up an Interview with Heritage Hotels & Resorts, or to plan a tour of the new Inn, contact:

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**About Heritage Hotels & Resorts**

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