



# RENDEZVOUS

HOTELS & RESORTS INTERNATIONAL

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## Rendezvous to Manage Christchurch's Newest Hotel.

December 06 - Rendezvous Hotels & Resorts International has been appointed to manage Christchurch's newest upscale hotel. The development of The Gloucester Street Hotel, to be named Rendezvous Hotel, Christchurch, is another bold and exciting commitment by Rendezvous to the long term growth of New Zealand tourism and the hospitality industry in Christchurch. As the main gateway to the South Island, Christchurch has over two million visitors per annum.

The Rendezvous Hotel, Christchurch is well-located in the Christchurch CBD, moments from the premier restaurant street, New Regent St, and the newly re-developed tourist and entertainment precinct, Cathedral Square. Rendezvous is expected to open the hotel in the second half of 2008.

**Rendezvous' Chief Executive, Mr. Alan Featherby**, says, "Rendezvous is excited about this commitment to further extend the Rendezvous group's presence in New Zealand with such an iconic hotel, and delighted to be working with the developer, Ernest Duval and interests associated with Equity Trust Pacific. At the beginning of what appears to be a major upward movement in market conditions in Christchurch and with no significant increases to hotel supply forecast, we are very confident that under Rendezvous' guidance the hotel will experience strong growth and profitability into the foreseeable future. This will bring the number of hotels and resorts operated by Rendezvous to 16, with eleven hotels in Australia, two in China, one in Singapore and now two in New Zealand. Rendezvous expects to announce shortly a number of new hotels for the group, which will propel Rendezvous into being a major hotel operator in the Asia Pacific region".

Formerly retail premises, the 17-storey new development will be a modern hotel building designed to incorporate state of the art environmental efficiencies in power, solar heating and management systems. Rendezvous Hotel, Christchurch will offer 171 stylishly appointed rooms and suites; each ideally equipped for the leisure and corporate traveller. Spa and fitness facilities will be available to guests during their stay and the restaurant will also open its doors to the public.

**Mr. Featherby** says, "Rendezvous will continue to expand, further propelling the group into being a major hotel operator in the Asia Pacific region".

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*Rendezvous Hotels International Pty Ltd is part of the Singapore listed company, The Straits Trading Company Limited. The Rendezvous Hotels & Resorts International group currently operates 15 hotels in the Asia-Pacific region:*

- *Rendezvous Observation City Hotel, Perth*
- *Rendezvous Sanctuary Resort, Cable Beach, Broome*
- *Rendezvous Allegra Hotel, Adelaide*
- *The Rendezvous Hotel, Melbourne*
- *Rendezvous Stafford Hotel, Sydney*
- *Rendezvous Hotel, Brisbane*
- *Rendezvous Reef Resort, Port Douglas*
- *Rendezvous Hotel, Singapore*
- *Rendezvous Merry Hotel, Shanghai*

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- *Rendezvous Hotel, Auckland*
- *The Marque Hotel, Brisbane managed by Rendezvous*
- *The Marque Hotel, Sydney managed by Rendezvous*
- *The Marque Hotel, Canberra managed by Rendezvous*
- *The Marque Hotel, Melbourne managed by Rendezvous*

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