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## 2022 CHRISTMAS LOG By WALDORF ASTORIA VERSAILLES – TRIANON PALACE

### ORIGAMI DE NOEL BY EDDIE BENGHANEM

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On May 1, 1910, many people from Versailles flocked to attend the inauguration of what would become “their” hotel over time. World personalities also came to stay there, praising both the luxurious setting and the calm of the place. Sarah Bernhardt stayed in the hotel during her Parisian performances of “l’Aiglon”. She rubbed shoulders with Marcel Proust, the banker Lafitte, and the aviator Santos-Dumont.

Over the years, Trianon Palace has become a haven for internationally renowned personalities. The tenors of international politics love Trianon Palace for its security. Writers and artists such as François Mauriac, Henri Bernstein, Jacques Brel, Jean Gabin, Jeanne Moreau, and even Tino Rossi have also come here to seek the calm conducive to creation.

In 1990, Trianon Palace and its 3 hectares of park were bought by a foreign company. The hotel immediately underwent major renovation work: in particular the construction of a second building called the ‘Pavillon du Trianon’, in order to allow the Trianon Palace hotel to welcome its customers in a larger, even more luxurious setting. The Pavillon building was also equipped with a new conference centre.

In 2009, the Waldorf Astoria Versailles – Trianon Palace became part of the prestigious Waldorf Astoria Hotels & Resorts brand, part of the Hilton group, which has more than 5,300 hotels in 106 countries around the world.

### Talented Chefs of Waldorf Astoria Versailles – Trianon Palace

\* Frédéric Larquemin (Executive Chef)

In November 2016, Frédéric Larquemin took his place as the Executive Chef of the Waldorf Astoria Versailles – Trianon Palace and continues to create excellent gastronomic creations to this day.

\* Eddie Benghanem (Pastry Chef)

Since 2008, he has created all of the sweet creations at our prestigious address in Versailles, from the desserts in the starred restaurant, to the pastries of the brasserie, via the sumptuous Tea Time.

\* Gabriele Ravasio

Chef Gabriele Ravasio multiplies textures and savours in each of his culinary creations, strongly influenced by the Japanese sense of aesthetics and precision. His cuisine is also characterized by the generous and traditional French culinary art, inherited from past experiences.

\* Gordon Ramsay

World-famous Chef Gordon Ramsay is known for his many Michelin stars and is the head of a multitude of restaurants across the world, from Asia to Europe, passing through the USA and Middle East. Chef Ramsay is also a television star thanks to his participation in 4 of the most famous shows on the FOX channel, including Cauchemar en Cuisine and Masterchef, broadcast in more than 200 countries.

- 7 stars in the Michelin Guide
- 35 restaurants all over the world
- 4 shows on the FOX channel

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