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**“SIMPLY PENINSULA” –
THE PENINSULA HONG KONG AND ESPA LAUNCH
EXCLUSIVE NEW TREATMENT AND PRODUCT RANGE**

With six stunning Peninsula Spas by ESPA at Peninsula properties around the world, the award-winning partnership between The Peninsula Hotels and celebrated spa consultancy ESPA continues with the introduction of a new collection of *Simply Peninsula* treatments and products at The Peninsula Hong Kong.

Developed exclusively for The Peninsula Hotels by ESPA International, the *Simply Peninsula* concept combines the passion, integrity and knowledge for which ESPA is renowned with the quality and exclusivity of Peninsula, resulting in a range which delivers on every level.

ESPA founder and CEO Susan Harmsworth was personally involved in creating the formulas with her chemists, to reflect the expertise and philosophy which has already gone into creating the individual spas and treatments.

The products, to be retailed in The Peninsula Spa by ESPA, have been under development for over two years. With the formulation and approval process taking 18 months, a total of 23 essential oil blends were formulated and tested for the range during the development process. The blend development was split into two distinct ranges – Refreshing and Relaxing – comprising eight products in each, and on average, each *Simply Peninsula* product was reformulated at least five times and extensively tested before being evaluated and personally approved by Harmsworth.

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“The partnership and collaboration between two great luxury brands – The Peninsula Hotels and ESPA – have joined forces to create luxury products branded “*Simply Peninsula*” to enhance The Peninsula’s signature treatments and ceremonies that have been created over the last few years with ESPA, and to bring the heritage and culture of Peninsula spas into formulas of treatments and products which can be retailed and used within Peninsula hotels”, Susan Harmsworth said.

Ms Sharon Codner, Regional Spa Director – Asia added “We are delighted to build on our long-standing relationship with ESPA to develop this exclusive range of *Simply Peninsula* treatments and products. Each *Simply Peninsula* product has been specifically created to complement the ESPA product range, which enables our Peninsula guests to continue to enjoy their spa experience at home.”

The *Simply Peninsula* Ceremonies

A range of treatments created exclusively by ESPA for each Peninsula Spa – the Peninsula Ceremonies reference the wellness culture of each destination. A truly personal experience, each Peninsula Ceremony uses a combination of ESPA and *Simply Peninsula* products, created to meet the specific needs of the moment and drawing on Asian influences and techniques, linked together to nurture and rebalance the body in times of change, pressure and stress.

Introduced at The Peninsula Spa by ESPA on 1 July, ‘The Spirit of Peninsula’ Body Treatment and the *Simply Peninsula* Foot Treatment are the newest regimens – two intricate, sophisticated and holistic Peninsula Ceremonies using only *Simply Peninsula* products, which fuse European concepts with Asian philosophies combined with contemporary therapy skills, resulting in the creation of a whole new treatment experience.

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When choosing a treatment, the customer will not consciously decide between ESPA or *Simply Peninsula*, but will choose the treatment which best suits their needs and desires at that moment. The two ranges work harmoniously to offer the Peninsula customer the utmost choice of treatments and experiences, with the knowledge that the product and the therapist’s techniques will be of the highest standard.

The *Simply Peninsula* products

A key component of the Peninsula Wellness programme, *Simply Peninsula* enables guests to continue their sensual adventure beyond their hotel stay. The Peninsula’s exclusive line of luxurious bath and body care products uniquely reflect a fusion of Asian, Ayurvedic and European philosophies and traditions, culminating in a range that is as sensuous and therapeutic as it is efficacious.

Available for sale from July, the *Simply Peninsula* range comprises Body Lotion (HK\$ 325), Hand Cleanser (HK\$ 180), Shower Gel (HK\$ 240), Foam Bath (HK\$ 220), Shampoo (HK\$ 265) and Conditioner (HK\$ 265) (all 200ml) and Bath Oil (HK\$ 360) and Body Oil (HK\$ 390) (both 100ml), in two fragrances – Refreshing and Relaxing.

Drawing on Asian traditions which are key to the Peninsula experience all around the world, the two elements of the range focus on the need to be relaxed and rejuvenated or to be revitalised and restored. The Refreshing line of products blends essential oils of lemongrass, rosemary and wild mint, which are traditionally known to uplift the spirit, restore energy levels and clear the mind, while the Relaxing line blends the purest essential oils of ylang ylang, patchouli and cloves, known to help calm and soothe the mind and promote inner peace.

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Made in England in accordance with strict European regulations (to ensure minimum wastage and use of materials), the highly natural formulae contain only the purest essential oils and botanical extracts, and are paraben-, SLES-, artificial colour- and fragrance-free. The packaging is 99% recyclable.

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