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CLUB MED LAUNCHES "SAFE TOGETHER" COMMITMENT; AVAILABLE FOR THE REOPENING OF ITS RESORTS

The brand presents its elevated safety and hygiene protocols as well as the reopening of its first North-American Resort; Sandpiper Bay in Florida

MONTREAL - Club Med, the pioneer of the all-inclusive resort concept, announced today the development of "Safe Together" – new hygiene and safety protocols that will be implemented in all of the brand's international resorts, including their resorts in Florida, Mexico, and the Caribbean.

To ensure health and cleanliness guidelines are well-aligned with the "new normal" as well as recommendations from worldwide health authorities and local regulations, Club Med worked with an International Scientific Committee comprised of a specialized team of doctors and professors, and closely monitored guest sentiment around the world, including in its recently reopened Chinese resorts.

"We understand expectations on health and safety have shifted, and after a long period of social distancing travelers will want to revisit places, they are familiar with and trust," said **Carolyne Doyon, President and CEO of Club Med North America**. "Club Med has a 70-year-long legacy delivering a thoughtful and safe vacation experience. As our resorts reopen, we will maintain the Club Med atmosphere which is an integral part of our DNA while also keeping safety & hygiene as our top priorities."

Since 1950, Club Med has specialized in developing low-density resorts that are respectfully integrated in their surrounding environments, leaving plenty of area to practice social distancing. Guests will feel at ease as they get outdoors and enjoy a relaxing vacation experience through Club Med's trademark included amenities, from land and water sports to expert childcare and expansive dining options. While Club Med will be making modifications to ensure guests and employees remain safe, the beloved "Club Med spirit," a pillar of the brand's philosophy since its inception, will be as present as ever.

Club Med Sandpiper Bay in Port St. Lucie, FL will be the first of the North American resorts to welcome guests back to their favorite all-inclusive Floridian property on Friday, June 12, 2020, with an updated Free Cancellation Policy to provide flexibility and peace of mind to anyone booking a Club Med stay up to December 2020.





"Safe Together" Hygiene and Safety Protocols

General Hygiene/Cleanliness measures will include*:

- Operating at a maximum resort capacity of 65%
- o Plexiglass protection on all service counters, including concierge and check-in
- Digital & in-app services such as "Easy Check-In", Spa treatment booking and in-room service requests
- Staff wearing protective face coverings, while inside, preparing food, or cleaning
- Staff's temperatures taken at the beginning of each work shift
- o Guest's temperature checks upon check-in and periodically during stay
- o Increased frequency of deep cleaning for all high-touch-point public areas
- o Hand sanitizer will be located throughout the resort
- Doctor/nurse available 24/7

Dining:

- o Increased opening hours for all dining locations, allowing for a lower occupancy
- o Increased distance between tables, and more outdoor dining capacity
- Focus on single plated dishes and custom preparation, giving chefs more freedom to express their culinary creativity

Children's Clubs:

- o Temperature check of each child twice a day;
- Hand washing for all children organized every hour
- Focus on outdoor activities
- Continued deep sanitization and disinfection of all equipment, toys and high touch-point areas after each use

Activities & Experience:

- Fan favorite sports, including tennis, golf, kayaking, yoga, sailing, flying trapeze etc. will
 operate under a strict sanitization process including the cleaning of equipment between
 users.
- Yoga and fitness classes will be held outdoors.
- Evening entertainment programming will be made of smaller-scale events & leveraging Club Med's prime outdoor spaces:
 - Live concerts or DJ sets
 - Acoustic music on the beach at sunset
 - Acrobatic shows above the pool
 - Family movie nights under stars

For full details, please visit www.clubmed.ca/safetogether or view our resort safety video.

"Book with Confidence", Free Cancellation Policy:

To ensure your travel is in sync with serenity, Club Med has put in place a **set of security and flexibility measures** so that you can book your vacation with peace of mind.

^{*}The above information is applicable to Club Med resorts in Florida, Mexico, and the Caribbean.



- <u>Enhanced Flexibility Policy</u>: If you book a stay by February 28, 2021, and your travel plans change, you can **cancel your stay up to 31 days prior to departure** and **get a full refund for your air-inclusive package.** This applies for stays on and prior to **September 3, 2021**.
- <u>Emergency Assistance Program</u>: Club Med has enhanced its Emergency Assistance Program to provide all guests with **coverage for emergency medical expenses** during their stay, **including those related to COVID-19**. The Emergency Assistance Program covers all guests travelling before April 30, 2021.
- Low Density: With an average area of 50 acres, Club Med Villages offer Canadians the opportunity to stay safely in large outdoor spaces with a capped capacity in resorts, an ideal setting for social distancing.

As an additional component to book with confidence, Club Med has also enhanced their **Best Rate Guarantee:** post-booking, if a guest should find a lower price for the same travel dates, they can receive a Future Travel Certificate for a value equal to the price difference applicable to their next booking.

For full details on boking policy, please visit https://www.clubmed.ca/l/revisedcancellationpolicy

About Club Med

Club Med, founded in 1950, is recognized as the pioneer of the all-inclusive market, offering more than 70 premium resorts in stunning locations around the world including North and South America, Caribbean, Asia, Africa, Europe and the Mediterranean. Established in 26 countries across five continents, the group employs more than 23,000 employees comprised of 110 varied nationalities. Club Med has had a corporate presence in Canada for over 40 years and employs a staff of more than 50 team members in their Montreal head office.

In December 2021, the brand will launch Club Med Quebec Charlevoix, its first-ever Canadian resort and four-season mountain resort.

For more information, visit <u>www.ClubMed.ca</u> or contact your travel agent. For a behind-the-scenes view, follow Club Med on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Twitter</u>, <u>Instagram</u> and <u>YouTube</u>.

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"Safe Together" Hygiene and Safety Disclaimer:

The information contained herein is based upon recommendations currently available from various government agencies, advisors and other consultants. It is subject to change and modification at any time. Protocols may vary slightly in each resort due to local regulations and guidelines and will be updated as we learn more. As always, we recommend that all guests consult their own medical advisors and review governmental travel and health sites in order to take decisions about any personal precautions each guest may wish to take.

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