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Waldorf Astoria Goa to open in 2030

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The hotel will reside along the Arabian Sea in Southern Goa. Image credit: Hilton

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Hilton's **Waldorf Astoria** is making moves in a rising luxury market.

This week, the corporation signed a deal with real estate developer West Coast Hotels to bring the Waldorf Astoria to the state of Goa in India. Scheduled to open in 2030, the project features 148 guest dwellings spread across a 20-acre waterfront plot.

"The signing of Waldorf Astoria Goa brings the pinnacle of luxury to one of India's most distinguished leisure destinations and reflects growing investor interest in high-end hospitality," said Alan Watts, president of Asia Pacific at Hilton, in a statement.

"This partnership with West Coast Hotels Pvt. Ltd. expands the choice of experience-led stays in India and strengthens our leadership across Asia Pacific as we set our sights on 250 luxury and lifestyle hotels in the coming years."

On the water

The Waldorf Astoria Goa will offer stays in rooms, villas and suites.

Inside, the hotel's signature Peacock Alley will offer fine dining, alongside wellness facilities, swimming pools, a fitness center, a spa and 10,800 square feet of event space.



Currently, India has no operational Waldorf Astoria hotels. Image credit: Hilton

"At its heart, Waldorf Astoria is about creating places that carry meaning and endure over time," said Candice D'Cruz, VP of luxury brands in Asia Pacific at Hilton, in a statement.

"The brand is defined by effortless luxury and its hallmark of sincerely elegant service," Ms. D'Cruz said. "Goa's storied cultural heritage and timeless coastal beauty provide a powerful canvas for this expression, allowing us to bring together thoughtful design, distinctive culinary experiences and a strong sense of place.

"The result will be a refined yet relaxed destination that feels both globally iconic and unmistakably Goan."

Upon opening, it will join Waldorf Astoria Jaipur and Waldorf Astoria New Delhi in India, making the Goa location its third in the country. Parent company Hilton currently has more than 3,700 hotels in various stages of development ([see story](#)).

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