

## HAMPSHIRE

PRESS INFORMATION

## CLIVE MCNISH APPOINTED AS CHEWTON GLEN'S NEW GENERAL MANAGER



A summer heatwave heralded the return to Chewton Glen of Clive McNish, who took up his appointment as General Manager of this luxury country house hotel and spa on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2022.

With over 25 years of resort, wellness, and spa management experience on three continents Clive has a genuine passion for hospitality and thrives on providing exemplary service experience to guests, his global journey started at Chewton Glen between 1995-2003, where he honed his skills as our then Spa Manager.

Working for GOCO Hospitality in various roles since 2014, Clive first joined as General Manager of a large GOCO wellness resort project in Beijing, then promoted to Corporate General Manager and later to Group Director-Operations, where he gained considerable experience in all aspects of project

development, overseeing the successful opening and management of all GOCO Hospitality-branded spas and retreats.

Clive has spearheaded projects in many locations around the world assuming the General Manager role at Glen Ivy Hot Springs, America's oldest hot spring resort in 2016, where he spent four years elevating it to GOCO's flagship property.

Before joining GOCO Hospitality, Clive served for five years as Wellness Director and General Manager at the world renowned Kamalaya Wellness Resort, located on the island of Koh Samui, Thailand. Previous posts have included two years at the helm of The Spa at Mandarin Oriental Riviera Maya, and nearly four years with Four Seasons, as the opening Spa Director of the Four Seasons Resort Provence at Terre Blanche and Four Seasons Hotel, Hampshire.

Commenting on the appointment, Andrew Stembridge, Executive Director of Iconic Luxury Hotels, and Managing Director of Chewton Glen said: "I had the pleasure of working with Clive during his previous time at the hotel. Since then, Clive has worked his way around the world with great hotel brands gaining a remarkable amount of hospitality and management experience. The fact that he has always dreamt of returning to Chewton Glen, coupled with such a broad range of international experience and his inbuilt 'Iconic 'DNA', makes him the ideal candidate to build on the achievements of his predecessor, Andrew Cook. "

"As our portfolio of exceptional properties continues to develop and grow, opportunities are also being created to nurture the team from within our family of hotels, and we are thrilled that Chewton Glen's former Front of House Manager, Raymond de Toulouse Lautrec, has been promoted to the role of Deputy General Manager; and Restaurant General Manager, Richard Warr, has also been promoted to the role of Food & Beverage Director. Along with the appointment of Clive McNish, we feel confident that their boundless drive and enthusiasm will take Chewton Glen to even greater heights of excellence, concluded Andrew Stembridge.

As Clive returns to the Iconic family of hotels, he commented: "I am very excited to be back home at Chewton Glen. The welcome that my wife, daughter, and myself have received has been tremendous and I am thrilled by the opportunities that lie ahead for myself in continuing to develop and enhance the wonderful reputation for excellence that Chewton Glen has." said Clive McNish.

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CHEWTON GLEN is a five-red star privately-owned luxury country house hotel, located on the edge of the ancient New Forest National Park in Hampshire and just a few minutes' walk from the sea. A member of Relais & Châteaux, this family-friendly resort features an award-winning restaurant, world-class spa and leisure activities, luxurious accommodation and modern meeting facilities and a Children Club. The hotel has 72 individually designed bedrooms and suites including 14 tree-house suites, a nine-hole par three golf course, croquet lawn, indoor and outdoor tennis courts and a spa which has been voted the best in Europe and a purpose-built cookery school, bakery and informal restaurant opened in association with James Martin.

## **ABOUT ICONIC LUXURY HOTELS**

Iconic Luxury Hotels was founded in December 2016 and is part of L+R Hotels (landrhotels.com) - a highly motivated family-owned global hotel investment and management company - who have an extensive portfolio of over 105 hotels, with approximately 21,000 bedrooms. Iconic Luxury Hotels is an expanding collection with an international focus. The collection is comprised of an eclectic array of properties each of which celebrates distinct architecture, cultural heritage, and natural surroundings.

Each property has its own character, traditions, and stories but they share a common commitment to delivering outstanding experiences. The current portfolio includes some of the world's most famous hotels from Cliveden House, one of England's finest country estates, to the Hotel Excelsior in Italy which is the home of the Venice International Film Festival. The other UK hotels are comprised of Chewton Glen an English estate on the South Coast, The Lygon Arms a 14th Century Coaching Inn in the Cotswolds, 11 Cadogan Gardens in Chelsea, one of London's most prestigious residential areas and The Mayfair Townhouse, London which opened in December 2020.