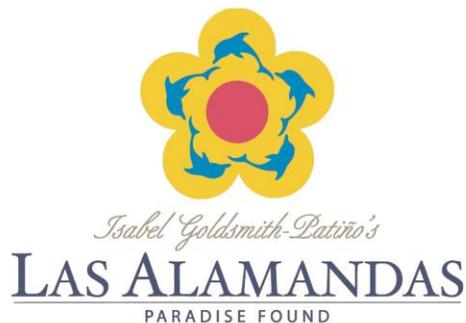


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Las Alamandas Completes Major Renovation Transforming the Exclusive Romantic Hideaway

Costalegre, Mexico, March 1, 2012 – Las Alamandas (www.alamandas.com) has completed a major renovation that has transformed this exclusive luxury hideaway on Mexico's famed Costalegre, announced founder and CEO Isabel Goldsmith-Patiño.

“The new Las Alamandas is a chic haven of gracious luxury and seductive comfort in a sublime natural setting,” explained Ms. Goldsmith-Patiño. “We updated and enhanced every aspect of the resort, as well as added many beautiful new facilities, to take the guest experience at Las Alamandas to new heights.”

The renovation to the boutique, all-suite resort included:

- building four new facilities:
 - an additional garden villa, Casa San Isidro, with two suites;
 - a house, Casa la Loma, with two suites;
 - an art gallery and lounge;
 - an open-air rooftop bar-lounge;
- adding jacuzzis in most suites;
- completely remodeling inside and out the three beachfront villas, including Casa del Sol, the Presidential Villa;
- refreshing and enlivening with many new appointments the three existing garden villas;
- resurfacing the tennis court.



The newly built villa, Casa San Isidro, is set atop a small knoll amid lush gardens bursting with tropical blossoms. It offers two private suites with jacuzzis, spacious baths with oversize showers with two showerheads and sitting bench, and panoramic sea and garden views.

Casa Domo, Casa Isabel and Casa del Sol, the beachfront villas with spectacular ocean views, were completely revamped with such features as soothing

white polished cement floors, walk-in closets, new jacuzzis and stunning Mexican chic decor – highlighted by stylish sofas in exotic colors, embroidered cushions, hand-painted accents and Mexican art work. The new master bathrooms are exceptionally large and beautifully appointed, including vanity area and oversize showers with two showerheads. In Casa del Sol, the Presidential Villa, doors open competely to a newly enlarged terrace with a new infinity pool offering comfortable and luxurious indoor-outdoor living.



The upgrades to the garden villas, Casa San Antonio, Casa Azul and Casa San Miguel, continued the Mexican chic interior decor throughout the resort's villas. The remodeled bathrooms are more spacious and offer such features as oversized shower/tub combination with massaging showerhead, Mexican hand-painted ceramic accessories and interior gardens with skylights that bathe the bathrooms in natural light. Jacuzzis were installed in most of the suites.

The new Casa la Loma offers a garden-view suite with a large bathroom and a TV den, and an ocean-view suite with a spacious bathroom, a living room and a terrace with a day bed, a pergola and fabulous panoramas of the Pacific. With the additions of Casa la Loma and Casa San Isidro, the resort now has seven villas and one house with a total of 18 suites. Twelve of the 18 suites now have Jacuzzis.

The spacious art gallery and lounge is the new gathering spot where guests relax in comfortable sitting areas, watch movies and sports events on the big-screen TV and view dynamic exhibits by noted Mexican artists. Exhibits are rotated throughout the year, showcasing a variety of artists and styles.

Estrella Azul, the "Blue Star," is an inviting new rooftop lounge decorated in shades of blue where cocktails are sipped while enjoying extraordinarily colorful sunsets and gazing through the telescope at the sea of stars above.

An exclusive luxury boutique hotel, nestled within a private nature reserve by the Pacific, Las Alamandas is Mexico's ultimate romantic beach hideaway. This secluded oceanside haven and playful Mexican paradise, developed by Ms. Goldsmith-Patiño, offers guests the highest standards of luxury, comfort and personalized hospitality. Its pristine beaches with soft white sand, turquoise sea, lush tropical gardens aflame with fuchsia and orange blossoms, and lagoons shaded by flowering trees provide a habitat to multi-colored birds in a serene eco destination. The seven villas with vibrant contemporary Mexican chic décor offer 16 extraordinarily spacious and beautifully appointed suites accommodating up to 42 guests. Guests enjoy innovative contemporary Mexican cuisine prepared with freshly caught seafood and organic produce grown on-property, massages to the sounds of the surf, and an array of activities such as nature hikes, mountain biking, kayaking, tennis and surfing. Paths of inlaid pebbles and stones meander through gardens fragrant with the alluring scents of jasmine, gardenia and the vivid yellow Alamanda – the flower for which the resort is named. The secluded 1,500 acres of unspoiled tropical paradise, located midway between Puerto Vallarta and Manzanillo along the famed Costalegre region of Mexico, set the scene for privacy, romance and relaxation.



Las Alamandas has received numerous awards from major magazines and travel organizations. Most recently, the resort was named the world's #2 *Most Excellent Beach Hotel* and *Most Excellent Romantic Hideaway* by Condé Nast Johansens 2012 Awards for Excellence

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