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JACKS MONTEREY RECEIVES 2017 WINE SPECTATOR AWARD OF EXCELLENCE

Monterey, CA – July 24, 2017 – Jacks Monterey, new lobby restaurant located within the Portola Hotel & Spa in Monterey, CA has been awarded the Wine Spectator’s 2017 Award of Excellence for its wine program.

Wine Spectator’s Restaurant Awards recognize restaurants whose wine lists offer interesting selections, are appropriate to their cuisine and appeal to a wide range of wine lovers.

The Award of Excellence is Wine Spectator Restaurant Awards' top honor, in which a restaurant offers at least 90 selections, features a well-chosen assortment of quality producers, along with a thematic match to the menu in both price and style.

"We are very honored to have received the 2017 Wine Spectator's Award of Excellence," said Brian Hein, Portola Hotel & Spa's Food and Beverage Director. "This award shows that our wine list is not only diverse with a variety of selections but is also designed to accommodate the most discriminating connoisseurs' palate while simultaneously satisfying all wine lovers."

The wine selection at Jacks Monterey includes an impressive selection of wines with 30% being local, Monterey County Wines including Top Tier Wines such as Bernardus Sauvignon Blanc and the Talbott Pinot Noir all served by the glass. Jacks Monterey offers wine on draft from 10SPAN Vineyards including their Pinot Noir and Chardonnay. 10SPAN supports the Ventana Wildlife Society's mission to conserve the native wildlife and habitats of California's Central Coast.

Portola Hotel & Spa opened its new restaurant and lobby bar, Jacks Monterey earlier this year, at the culmination of its \$6 million dollar lobby renovation. In its entirely reimagined new space located in the Portola's lower lobby, Jacks Monterey continues to be a leader in its diverse wine program highlighting different flavor profiles to cultures from around the world.

About Jacks Monterey:

Located in the Portola Hotel & Spa, Jacks Monterey offers locally sourced produce and other products native to Monterey County including sustainable Monterey Bay seafood. The entire menu features California Cultural Cuisine.

California epitomizes the melting pot of America. Chef Abbruzzese's inspiration and passion for creating signature dishes has brought him full circle to highlight different flavor profiles unique to cultures from around the world. Chef Abbruzzese uses traditional techniques from immigrants who call California home, while highlighting our locally sourced, sustainably conscious ingredients found throughout Monterey County. Open for Lunch & Dinner.

For more information visit www.jacksatportola.com

About Portola Hotel & Spa:

The AAA Four Diamond, Portola Hotel & Spa in Monterey, CA was the first U.S. Green Building Council LEED® Certified hotel on California's Central Coast. The full-service hotel offers guests a rich, historical ambiance, with residential style and a dedicated staff to ensure an unparalleled guest experience. The Portola Hotel features 379 nautically inspired guest rooms and suites, ranging from 400 to 1,000 square feet. Portola boasts an expert event planning staff and over 60,000 square feet of meeting space with the adjacent Monterey Conference Center.

The Portola Hotel is home to the Monterey Peninsula's original craft brewery, Peter B's Brewpub, The Club Room and Monterey's newest dining hot spot, Jacks Monterey. The Portola boasts an award-winning 6,000-square-foot day spa. Spa on the Plaza offers beautifully appointed treatment rooms and an extensive spa menu of signature treatments. Overnight guests also have access to the hotel's spa and fitness facilities, complete with steam room, sauna, outdoor pool and Jacuzzi.

For more information, please visit: <http://www.portolahotel.com/>





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