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SENTOSA COVE WATERWAY ACCREDITED “FISH FRIENDLY” STATUS

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7 July 2016, Singapore - Sentosa Cove, Singapore’s only truly oceanfront residences and one of the most coveted luxurious residential developments in the world, proudly announced that it has been accredited the internationally-recognised “Fish Friendly” certification by the Marina Industries Association (MIA) for its high standards of environmental stewardship and efforts towards conserving marine life. The initiative is an extension of MIA’s International Clean Marinas Level 3 programme, for which Sentosa Cove had been re-accredited for the second time in July 2015.

The ‘Fish Friendly’ programme was developed by MIA to advocate best practices among marina operators and recognise their efforts toward actively improving the fish habitat whilst promoting underwater biodiversity.

Sentosa Cove has been lauded to incorporate beneficial outcomes for native fish into its existing operational plans, ensuring its marina is free from marine pests whilst providing a thriving habitat for native fish. The quality of the aquatic environment in Sentosa Cove and the rigorous measures put in place to effectively manage this environment are key towards the flourishing marine life. In addition, the Sentosa Cove waterway is distinguished for its high levels of cleanliness, including guidelines on waste and chemical management, which provide a healthy and clean ecosystem.

Mr Colin Bransgrove, Executive Officer of the MIA, presented the certification to Ms Catherine Chew, General Manager of Sentosa Cove Resort Management Pte Ltd (SCRM), against a backdrop of the stunning waterway of the 117-hectare waterfront residential precinct of Sentosa Cove.

“This award is a clear demonstration of the commitment by Sentosa Cove Resort Management Pte Ltd (SCRM) to protect and further enhance the waterway, and natural values of the precinct. The proliferation of indigenous fish species, and the erection of informative story boards and educational signage about these species are tangible indicators of SCRM’s long-term commitment to environmental best practices,” said Mr Colin Bransgrove.

“We are elated to be accredited with this new environmental initiative and are committed to continually strive to maintain our waterway at the highest environmental standards”, beamed Ms Catherine Chew, General Manager for Sentosa Cove Resort Management Pte Ltd (SCRM). “The MIA leads the industry in developing consistent best practice management of the waterway and Sentosa Cove is very proud to uphold such practices.”

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About Sentosa Cove

Situated on the eastern part of Sentosa Island, the 117-hectare development has become one of the most coveted luxurious residential developments in the world and offers Singapore's only truly oceanfront residences. Completed in 2014, the luxury estate is currently home to over 2,100 oceanfront villas, waterway bungalows, hillside mansions and upscale condominiums.

The uniqueness of Sentosa Cove lies not only in its exclusivity as a secured community but also its proximity to the financial district, shopping belt, airport, as well as an exciting array of over 200 leisure and lifestyle offerings including the Universal Studios Singapore theme park, hotels, spas, restaurants and attractions, alongside luxuriant rainforests and golden sandy beaches on Sentosa. It is also the only residential address in Singapore where residents can park their cars in the front porch and their yachts in their backyards.

Site & Location: Eastern tip (almost a fifth) of Sentosa Island

Total Land Area: 117ha (equivalent to 145 soccer fields)

Waterway Facts & Figures

North Cove Waterway:	120,000sqm
South Cove Waterway:	85,000sqm
No. of Berths at North Cove:	256
No. of Berths at South Cove:	107
Depth of Waterways:	2m to 2.4m deep (controlled by 2 lockgates)

About the Fish Friendly Marinas Administered by Marina Industries Association (MIA)

Fish Friendly Marinas has been developed to inform marina managers on how to maximise the benefits for fish and recognise those operators actively working to improve fish habitat. Fish Friendly Marinas provides advice and supporting material to help marina operators incorporate beneficial outcomes for native fish into their existing operational plans, such as ensuring their marina is free from marine pests and providing habitat for native fish.

The initiative is attached to MIA's International Clean Marinas Program and the accreditation is an add-on for marinas with Level 4 and Level 3 Clean Marina accreditation. It requires an independent audit to satisfy criteria.

More information can be found at http://www.marinas.net.au/industry_programs/clean-marina-programme.

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Colin Bransgrove (right), Executive Officer, Marina Industries Association, awards the Fish Friendly Certification to Catherine Chew (left), General Manager, Sentosa Cove Resort Management Pte Ltd.

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Maintenance of the Sentosa Cove waterways requires a dedicated team committed to upholding the highest levels of cleanliness in the waterways, now teeming with marine wildlife. The Fish Friendly Certification is an extension of Marina Industry Association’s International Clean Marinas Level 3 programme, for which Sentosa Cove had been re-accredited for the second time in July 2015.