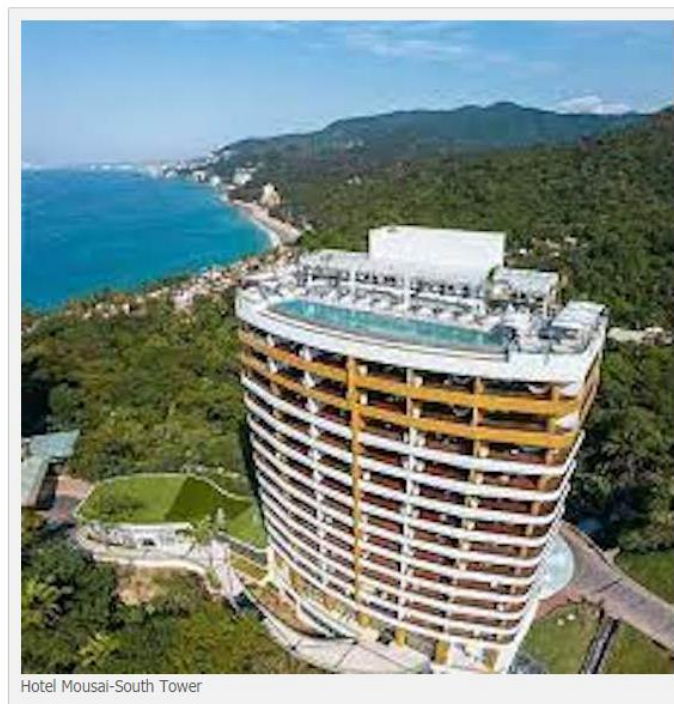


Insider Hotels: What's New, What's Hot in the Mexico, Latin America and the Caribbean

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Hotel Mousai-South Tower

Tafer's Hotel Mousai Opens South Tower in Puerto Vallarta: Tafer Hotels & Resorts held the official grand opening of all-inclusive Hotel Mousai's South Tower located in the exclusive south zone of Puerto Vallarta. Sitting adjacent to the resort's original North Tower, which has been a AAA Five Diamond-rated resort for six consecutive years, the South Tower adds 72 suites, each with a vibrant new look, bringing the property's guest room inventory to 145.

With contemporary architecture and groundbreaking interiors adorned in Hotel Mousai's iconic rich shades of purple, red, and gold, the South Tower opens with a lobby that includes an expansive glass viewing point, three new gourmet restaurants, a rooftop with infinity pool, and communal space featuring sky-high views of the ocean, jungle, and beyond.

Designed to merge the indoors with the outdoor environment, the new Hotel Mousai South Tower Suites feature large sliding glass doors that lead to expansive terraces with Jacuzzis and hammocks for guests to relax while feeling connected to nature. Suites also feature king size beds and are available with connecting doors to form two-bedroom suites for larger groups traveling together.

Corner Suites are equipped with wraparound terraces allotting for unobstructed views of either the ocean or the lush jungle. Ultra Suites, located on the upper floors of the resort, not only have exceptional views, but also come with first-rate amenities such as complimentary butler service, complimentary access to the healing hydrotherapy circuit at Spa Imagine, and a custom pillow and aromatherapy menu.

The South Tower also offers penthouse suites, which capture incredible panoramic mountain and jungle views with floor-to-ceiling windows that wrap around the entirety of the space. Bespoke designer furnishings and lighting add to the luxurious ambiance of the penthouse, and in-room amenities include a premium bar, in-suite breakfast, butler service, welcome amenities and more. For fitness enthusiasts, the South Tower also has its own state-of-the-art gym, complete with the latest fitness machines, free weights, a yoga room, showers, lockers, and beautiful views.

Hotel Mousai guests now have the option of several gourmet restaurants to choose from during their stay, with the addition of the South Tower's three new restaurants DAO, NOI and the Rooftop Restaurant and Bar. DAO Contemporary Chinese Cuisine is a modern, elevated Chinese restaurant located on the bridge between the two Mousai towers, while NOI is an Italian eatery offering fresh pastas, pizzas and more from an open-air kitchen, where guests can watch their meal being prepared. Lastly, the Rooftop Restaurant and Bar is the perfect vantage point for watching the sunset and enjoying hand-crafted specialty cocktails.

Hotel Mousai guests can also take advantage of the newly introduced TierraLuna Village, an open-air shopping and entertainment concept where art, gastronomy and culture converge. TierraLuna visitors are invited to connect in a natural environment where Mexican traditions and customs come to life through boutique shopping, art and crafts, cuisine and more, are displayed by the local community.

Located within the neighboring Garza Blanca Preserve development that is surrounded by greenery with scenic bay views, TierraLuna Village hosts a variety of events offered to both locals and visitors alike; from art walks and weekly farmers markets, to live music and cocktail hour, and more. Three new restaurants—Karuma, Canú, and Kualí—are also being developed. For reservations or more information, visit www.hotelmousai.com or www.taferresorts.com