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## Marina Bay Sands Goes Green With Jason Mraz

*Integrated resort ramps up Sands Eco360 initiatives in star's hotel rooms*

**Singapore (28 June, 2012)** - Marina Bay Sands is set to welcome Grammy-award winning artist, Jason Mraz, as he stays at the integrated resort in preparation for his concert for the opening of Gardens by the Bay on 29 June. As an artist who has pledged his alliance to being a green advocate, Jason Mraz and his entourage will be staying in eco-customized rooms to suit their environmentally friendly lifestyles. This includes the most up-to-date sustainability products and practices ranging from paperless check-in and check-out, stainless steel water bottles in place of plastic bottles, reusable cloth tote bags, and chemical free cleaning equipment to LED energy saving lights.

Like Marina Bay Sands, Jason Mraz has won several awards on sustainability himself. His raw vegan diet focuses on all natural foods and his lifestyle is founded on recycling and reusing. During his stay at Marina Bay Sands, Jason Mraz will have his and his entourage's carbon footprint calculated only to then find novel ways to offset it.



*Jason Mraz's Eco-Customized Straits Suite*

“Being green has been our objective right from the start, and we’re delighted to have the opportunity to further our sustainability efforts through like-minded green advocates like Jason Mraz,” said Mr. Kevin Teng, Director of Sustainability at Marina Bay Sands. “Our rooms are already greener than most to begin with – starting with sustainable products in the drywall, paint and even the carpeting – and we took it a step further especially for Jason and his entourage,

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with more up-to-date eco-friendly practices and products. We hope to gather his invaluable feedback and roll out more green initiatives throughout our 2,561 rooms in the near future.”

In support of its ongoing sustainability efforts and food waste management, Marina Bay Sands has invested in a 2 tonne organic waste decomposing compost machine. This machine has the ability to convert food waste into clear water which can be used for multiple purposes i.e. maintenance works and watering of plants. The remaining sludge will then be used as fertilizer to maintain the hotel’s landscape. This is the largest hotel in Singapore to adopt such a system.



*Straits Suite, Living Room*

These green efforts are part of *Sands Eco360*, a global sustainability strategy spearheaded by parent company, Las Vegas Sands Corporation. With a goal of advance stewardship of the environment, the industry-leading program consists of four priorities: Green Building, Environmentally Responsible Operations, Green Meetings and Sustainability Education and Outreach.

## **Environmentally Friendly Operations**

Marina Bay Sands’ sustainability efforts paid dividends in February 2012 when the Building and Construction Authority (BCA) in Singapore awarded the integrated resort with the Green Mark Gold Award. In May 2012, Marina Bay Sands joined EarthCheck in its internationally leading benchmarking and certification program for environmental sustainability. With this program, Marina Bay Sands will take a scientific approach to benchmarking and is committed to report our environmental footprint based on an internationally recognized standard.

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The property's Intelligent Building Management System has over 60,000 control points, allowing automated controls over lighting, heating and water supplies for the entire building. For instance, the system is able to automatically dim or brighten lights in the hotel and retail public areas depending on the time of the day and weather conditions.

In addition, the air-conditioning system uses chilled water that comes from water-cooled chillers, which are significantly more efficient than air-cooled models. The heat that is emitted from the chillers is reclaimed by heat pumps. This reclaimed heat is then used to provide hot water to the hotel and some restaurants, reducing energy consumption.

Marina Bay Sands also installed elevators with regenerative drives that convert excess heat to electricity. Energy-efficient light bulbs, such as LED bulbs, have been installed in the hotel.

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#### **About Marina Bay Sands Pte Ltd**

Marina Bay Sands is the leading business, leisure and entertainment destination in Asia. It features large and flexible convention and exhibition facilities, 2,560 hotel rooms and suites, the rooftop Sands SkyPark, the best shopping mall in Asia, world-class celebrity chef restaurants and an outdoor event plaza. Its two theaters showcase a range of leading entertainment performances including world-renowned Broadway shows. Completing the line-up of attractions is ArtScience Museum at Marina Bay Sands which plays host to permanent and marquee exhibitions. For more information, please visit [www.marinabaysands.com](http://www.marinabaysands.com)

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