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**Artyzen Grand Lapa Macau and Mozambique Friends Association (AAM)
Collaborate to Present "A Journey of Cultural Mozambique Delights"**

[**Macau, June 19th, 2023**] Artyzen Grand Lapa Macau proudly announces its partnership with the Mozambique Friends Association (AAM) for an exceptional gastronomic experience titled "*A Journey of Cultural Mozambique Delights*." This collaboration celebrates the rich traditions of Mozambican cuisine and coincides with the 20th anniversary of the establishment of the Forum for China and Portuguese-speaking countries.

Organized by the Mozambique Friends' Association in collaboration with Artyzen Grand Lapa Macau, the gastronomic program pays homage to Mozambique's rich history, geography, and cultural heritage by fusing flavors from various origins, combined with local ingredients.

Key speakers at the press conference include **Dr. Rafael Custódio Marques**, Consul General of Mozambique in Macau; Mr. Rutger Verschuren, Area Vice President, Macau Operations for Artyzen Hospitality Group and General Manager of Artyzen Grand Lapa Macau; Mr. Tiago Azevedo, Mozambique Friends Association Vice-President; and Chef Carlos Khan da Graça, Ambassador of Mozambican cuisine.

Mr. Rutger Verschuren, Area Vice President, Macau Operations for Artyzen Hospitality Group and General Manager of Artyzen Grand Lapa Macau, expressed his enthusiasm about the collaboration "Our group and particularly Artyzen Grand Lapa Macau have a longstanding commitment to cultural and culinary experiences. We are absolutely thrilled to welcome back the talented Chef Carlos Khan Graça to our culinary haven. His exceptional skills and deep appreciation for Mozambican cuisine will guide our guests on a mouthwatering journey and let us enjoy the captivating flavors of his incredible country." Continuing his statement, Mr. Verschuren added "Through many cultural and art initiatives, our culinary choices in general are all anchored in our hotel's DNA.

Mr. Tiago Azevedo, AAM Vice-President, expressed his gratitude and excitement for the collaboration, stating, "The Mozambique Friends Association is delighted to have Chef Carlos Graça, from Mozambique, to promote Mozambique's traditional food in partnership with Artyzen Grand Lapa Macau. During the promotion, there will be a small exhibition of crafted products from Mozambique. We also express our gratitude to the Permanent Secretariat of the Forum for Economic and Trade Co-operation between China and Portuguese-speaking Countries for their support."

Chef Carlos Khan da Graça, Ambassador of Mozambican cuisine, expressed his honor in being invited to promote Mozambique's traditional food in Macau, stating, "I am honored to be invited by the Mozambique Friends Association to promote Mozambique's traditional food in Macau, and I will do my very best to make sure you all enjoy our



traditional food. Our food has been influenced over the centuries by other cuisines, such as Indian and Portuguese cooking, which is why Mozambique's traditional food is so rich and tasty."

During the press conference, Chef Carlos Graça will captivate the audience with a live cooking demonstration featuring the dish "prawns and okra in coconut milk." This traditional dish from his native province, Zambézia, exemplifies the fusion of Indian influences, such as saffron and curry, with local ingredients like vegetables, coconut, and seafood, resulting in a delectable delicacy. The dish comprises prawns, okra, tomato, onions, garlic, olive oil, salt, and coconut milk, creating a harmonious blend of flavors that showcase the essence of Mozambican cuisine.

Following the press conference, Café Bela Vista at Artyzen Grand Lapa Macau will host a series of promotions and events, allowing guests to experience the vibrant cuisine of Mozambique. From June 21st to July 2nd, restaurant patrons can indulge in a range of dining experiences with additional Mozambican choices aside from the usual fare:

- Market Lunch with Mozambican Selections
 - Time: 12 pm - 2:30 pm
 - Dates: June 21 - July 2, 2023
 - Price: MOP 238+ per adult, MOP 119+ per child (aged 6-12)
- Mozambican Set Dinner
 - Time: 6:30 pm - 10 pm
 - Dates: June 21 - 22, 26 - 29, 2023
 - 3-course menu at MOP 268+ per person
 - 4-course menu at MOP 328+ per person
- Weekend Dinner Buffet with a Selection of Mozambican Favorites
 - Time: 6:30 pm - 10 pm
 - Dates: June 23, 25, 30, and July 1 - 2, 2023
 - Price: MOP 398+ per adult, MOP 198+ per child (aged 6-12)

These promotions offer a unique opportunity for guests to savor the diverse flavors and culinary heritage of Mozambique within the elegant and culturally immersive setting of Café Bela Vista.

Artyzen Grand Lapa Macau and the Mozambique Friends Association invite local residents and tourists alike to embark on "A Journey of Cultural Mozambique Delights" and indulge in the captivating flavors and traditions of Mozambican cuisine. Immerse yourself in this extraordinary gastronomic experience and be transported to the enchanting lands of Mozambique.




For more information or reservations, please contact Café Bela Vista at Artyzen Grand Lapa Macau. Phone: +853 8793 3871 or email: cbv.glm@artyzenhotels.com



Photo reference

For photos of the press conference, please download:

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|  | <p>The press conference was held this afternoon From left to right</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Desmond Hill, Area Culinary Director of Artyzen Grand Lapa Macau • Dr. Rafael Custódio Marques, Consul General of Mozambique in Macao • Mr. Carlos Khan da Graça, Chef of Mozambique Cuisine • Mr. Tiago Azevedo, Vice-President of The Mozambique Friends Association |
|  | <p>The press conference was held this afternoon with Mr. Rutger Verschuren, Area Vice President, Macau Operations for Artyzen Hospitality Group and General Manager of Artyzen Grand Lapa Macau, giving a video speech.</p> |
|  | <p>Chef Carlos Graça gave a live demonstration to feature one of the traditional the Mozambican cuisine "Prawns and Okra in Coconut Milk"</p> |



From June 21 to July 2, “A Journey of Cultural Mozambique Delights” of Café Bela Vista cater guests to experience the vibrant cuisine of Mozambique, including:

- Green Papaya Salad With Chili
- Sweet Potato Curry With Fish And Coconut Milk
- Grilled Chicken With Coconut Milk
- Kassava Leave Stew With Crab And Peanut
- Traditional Chicken Curry With Mung Bean
- Prawn Stew With Okra



“A Journey of Cultural Mozambique Delights” promotion

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About Mozambique Friends Association

Mozambique Friends Association (AAM) was established in Macau in November 16, 1992, is a non-lucrative association and our aim is to promote Mozambique culture. This traditional food promotion started in 2007 yearly until 2019. AAM set up public exhibitions (Gorongosa National Park in Macau Tower, Mozambique Island 200 years in Taipa Houses). And represents Mozambique in the Lusofonia Festival. Anybody can join AAM as a member. Become a member! Mozambique is MANINGUE NICE!

About Artyzen Grand Lapa Macau

Well established in the heart of Macau, the upscale urban and lifestyle resort Artyzen Grand Lapa Macau offers a window into the city's culturally rich heritage. The name "Grand Lapa" draws inspiration from the prestigious Lapa district in Lisbon, Portugal, where celebrities and aristocrats reside. As a true homegrown brand, the hotel celebrates Macau's remarkable heritage in a tasteful and stylish manner. <https://artyzen.grandlapa.com>