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Bangkok, 18 October 2017: Anantara Hotels, Resorts & Spas is pleased to announce that 17 hotels and resorts have been recognised in the 2017 Conde Nast Traveler Readers' Choice Awards. The prestigious US magazine has announced the results of its 30th annual awards, which saw a selection of Anantara's luxury properties recognised as amongst the very best in the world.

Anantara Hua Hin Resort in Thailand was named #1 Resort in Asia, in addition to #9 Best Resorts in the World, a fantastic achievement. Qasr al Sarab Desert Resort by Anantara in Abu Dhabi held its spot as #2 Resort in the Middle East, with Anantara Siam Bangkok Hotel snagging #3 Hotel in Bangkok - great results in these hugely popular destinations.

Amongst the accolades, six Anantara hotels were included in the Top Resorts in the Middle East category, with five of them back to back including #6 Anantara Al Jabal Al Akhdar Resort, #7 Al Baleed Resort Salalah by Anantara, #8 Eastern Mangroves Hotel & Spa by Anantara, #9 Anantara The Palm Dubai Resort and #10 Anantara Sir Bani Yas Island Resorts. A new entry to the list is Anantara Vilamoura Algarve Resort, which came in at #5 Top Resorts in Europe.

The Condé Nast Traveler Readers' Choice Awards are the longest-running and among the most prestigious recognition of excellence in the travel industry and are commonly known as "the best of the best of travel". This year, the awards received votes from over 300,000 readers for 7,320 hotels, 610 cities, 468 cruise ships, 255 islands, and 194 airports, resulting in 1,859 of the best travel experiences in the world, including some of Anantara's finest properties and locations.

Anantara is a luxury hospitality brand for modern travellers, connecting them to genuine places, people and stories through personal experiences, and providing heartfelt hospitality in some of the world's most exciting destinations. From cosmopolitan cities to desert sands to lush islands, Anantara connects travellers to the indigenous, grounds them in authentic luxury, and hosts them with passionate expertise.

In addition, two Anantara sister properties achieved fantastic results with Naladhu Private Island in the Maldives being named #1 in the coveted Best Resorts in the World list. The resort was also #1 Top Resort in the Indian Ocean, with Niyama Private Islands Maldives named #2 Top Resorts in the Indian Ocean and #4 Best Resorts in the World.

Rankings were as follows:

Best Resorts in the World:

#1 - Naladhu Private Island, Maldives

#4 - Niyama Private Islands, Maldives

#9 - Anantara Hua Hin Resort, Thailand

Top Resorts in the Indian Ocean:

- #1 - Naladhu Private Island, Maldives
- #2 - Niyama Private Islands, Maldives
- #12 - Anantara Kihavah Maldives Villas, Maldives
- # 17 - Anantara Veli Maldives Resort, Maldives
- #18 - Anantara Dhigu Maldives Resort, Maldives

Top Resorts in the Middle East:

- #2 - Qasr al Sarab Desert Resort by Anantara, Abu Dhabi
- #6 - Anantara Al Jabal Al Akhdar Resort, Oman
- #7 - Al Baleed Resort Salalah by Anantara, Oman
- #8 - Eastern Mangroves Hotel & Spa by Anantara, Abu Dhabi
- #9 - Anantara the Palm Dubai Resort, Dubai
- #10 - Anantara Sir Bani Yas Island Resorts, Abu Dhabi

Top Resorts in Asia:

- #1 - Anantara Hua Hin Resort, Thailand
- #14 - Anantara Peace Haven Tangalle Resort, Sri Lanka
- #29 - Anantara Golden Triangle Elephant Camp & Resort, Chiang Rai, Thailand

Top Hotels in Bangkok:

- #3 - Anantara Siam Bangkok Hotel, Thailand
- #9 - Anantara Sathorn Bangkok Hotel, Thailand

Top Resorts in Africa:

- #35 - The Royal Livingstone Hotel Livingstone, Zambia
- #37 - Anantara Medjumbe Island Resort, Mozambique

Top Resorts in Europe:

- #5 - Anantara Vilamoura Algarve Resort, Portugal