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## YTL HOTELS EXPANDS FOOTPRINT WITH MOXY KUALA LUMPUR CHINATOWN AND AC HOTEL BY MARRIOTT IPOH



Moxy Kuala Lumpur Chinatown



AC Hotel by Marriott Ipoh

**KUALA LUMPUR, MALAYSIA – 22 APRIL, 2025** – YTL Hotels, a pioneer in innovative hospitality, is thrilled to announce the opening of two exciting new properties: Moxy Kuala Lumpur Chinatown and AC Hotel Ipoh. These additions mark a significant expansion of YTL Hotels' diverse portfolio, offering travellers unique and dynamic experiences in two of Malaysia's most captivating destinations.

### Moxy Kuala Lumpur Chinatown – Chinatown's Pulse, Moxy's Beat



The historic Oriental Bank building on Jalan Hang Lekiu – a shining jewel of Kuala Lumpur's heady '70s financial scene – has been masterfully reimagined as Moxy Kuala Lumpur Chinatown. This painstakingly restored landmark now soars 21 storeys into the KL skyline, its original façade preserved like a time capsule and as an ode to the rollicking '70s, while interiors burst with modern vitality. Within its walls, 320 modishly cool rooms offers accommodations with a dash of Moxy playfulness.



This property – the first Moxy in the metropolis that is Kuala Lumpur, reinvents urban hospitality for the next generation of travellers. The design narrative weaves in threads of Chinatown's rich tapestry – from bold crimson accents harking back at traditional shophouse colours, to murals blending heritage motifs with street art flair, all accented by playful neon installations that wink at KL's famous night markets. Each guest room delivers smart and functional creativity, featuring modular furniture that transforms from workspace to lounge, industrial-chic lighting, and locally sourced artwork that tells Kuala Lumpur's story through visual vignettes.

The hotel's location lets guests be at the epicentre of sensory stimulation. Step outside and be immediately immersed in Chinatown's symphony of sights and smells. As dusk falls, witness the neighbourhood's transformation – crimson lanterns illuminate streets that become catwalks for KL's creative genre, while hidden cocktail bars behind unmarked doors blend local ingredients into cutting-edge libations.

Moxy Kuala Lumpur Chinatown also provides the perfect counterpoint to this urban energy. **Zone In** doubles as a social hub where travellers check-in with a welcome drink, surrounded by buzzing social spaces and whimsical art installations. Start your day with an energising breakfast at **Zone Out**, then settle into a quiet spot to catch up or chill.

Upstairs, the Bar Moxy evolves throughout the day – from poolside lounging culminating in golden-hour cocktails against a soundtrack of the city's pulse. Even the elevators delight with floor-to-ceiling murals of nostalgic Malaysian scenes.

This is urban hospitality redefined: not just a place to sleep, but a front-row ticket to live Malaysian culture, a social nexus for global nomads, and your stylish accomplice in uncovering Kuala Lumpur's most authentic experiences. Every detail at Moxy Kuala Lumpur Chinatown invites you to experience the city like a local who knows all its best-kept secrets.



## AC Hotel by Marriott Ipoh – A New Stay, A New Way To Connect To The City



AC Hotel Ipoh, marks Marriott's elegant entry into one of Malaysia's most culturally rich destinations, ranked by **TimeOut** as the fifth best destination to visit in all of Asia for 2025. Situated at the historic 88 Jalan Sultan Abdul Jalil, this design-forward property redefines urban hospitality while paying homage to Ipoh's storied past. The new AC Hotel Ipoh caters to discerning travellers who appreciate both contemporary comforts and authentic experiences - a stylish gateway to the city's vibrant tapestry of culture, cuisine, and history.

At AC Kitchen, mornings begin with sunlit breakfasts that artfully blend continental favourites with Malaysian touches. Luk Yu presents authentic Cantonese cuisine, while AC Lounge offers a contemporary twist with European-inspired tapas and beverages.

Ipoh's unique character – forged during its tin-mining heyday – unfolds just beyond the hotel doors. AC Hotel Ipoh mirrors this harmonious duality through its European-inspired design philosophy, offering sleek accommodations and thoughtfully curated spaces that appeal equally to business travellers and leisure seekers.

Our 291 guest rooms exemplify refined minimalism, where clean lines, uncluttered spaces, and purposeful amenities create serene sanctuaries. Ergonomic workstations and a soothing neutral palette ensure seamless transitions between productivity and relaxation, while subtle design nods to local heritage foster a genuine sense of place.

For business travellers, The Tin Mine Club – a nod to Ipoh's boomtown legacy – becomes the *de facto* space to forge key partnerships and power through winning discussions. This space commands panoramic views of the city, and offers an ideal backdrop to a business getaway, catering for groups anywhere between 10 and 200.

A plethora of events spaces includes Ipoh's largest pillarless ballroom with the Grand Ballroom offering a capacity of 800 pax banquet style and 1,600 in theatre seating. A Junior Ballroom features a capacity of 250 pax banquet style and double of that in theatre format. Additional rooms include breakout rooms and the AC Genius Lab co-working space. To fire up that metabolism, AC Hotel Ipoh also offers a gym, pool as well as a quartet of indoor pickleball courts. For memorable gatherings, Studio 88's creatively designed recording studios provide unique venues for both celebrations and corporate events

More than just a place to stay, AC Hotel Ipoh curates immersive experiences that bridge eras and cultures. Here, guests don't merely visit Ipoh – they connect with its soul through authentic flavours, architectural wonders, and the warm hospitality that has defined this remarkable city for generations.

### A Testament to YTL Hotels' Vision

The launch of these two properties underscores YTL Hotels' commitment to delivering exceptional hospitality experiences across diverse markets. Whether it's the youthful energy of Moxy Kuala Lumpur Chinatown or the sophisticated elegance of AC Ipoh, both hotels reflect YTL's dedication to innovative design, guest-centric service, and a deep connection to local culture.

The next exciting upcoming property in the YTL Hotels portfolio is the opening of **Moxy Niseko Village**. Niseko Village in Hokkaido, Japan, sits within the Niseko United ski area that accesses inter-linked ski resorts boasting a combined 2,191 acres of skiable terrain. Niseko Village is strategically located at the base of Mount Niseko Annupuri, offering award-winning hotels with spa and onsen facilities, a dining and retail village hub, luxury residences, an international snow school and alpine activities.

In summer, the resort transforms into a popular destination with world-class golf courses, an outdoor nature park and a host of active pursuits. Set in stunning landscapes of timeless beauty all year round, Niseko Village is always in season.

YTL Hotels currently has 11 Marriott International hotels in our portfolio of 33 hospitality assets, making us one of Marriott's largest owning companies with one of the longest relationships in Asia.

For more information or to make a reservation, visit [Moxy Kuala Lumpur Chinatown](#) and [AC Hotel Ipoh](#).

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**About YTL Hotels**

YTL Hotels owns and manages a prestigious collection of award-winning resorts, hotels, boutique experiences, and Spa Villages, with a hospitality footprint across Malaysia, Thailand, Japan, Australia, France, the Netherlands, and the United Kingdom. Notable properties include Pangkor Laut Resort, voted the World's Best Resort in 2003 by Condé Nast Traveller UK and ranked among the Top 20 Best Resorts in Asia in the 2023 Condé Nast Traveler Readers' Choice Awards US. The Gainsborough Bath Spa, part of the Small Luxury Hotels of the World's prestigious collection, was ranked the 6th Best Hotel in the UK in the 2024 Condé Nast Traveller Awards. It has also been consistently listed as one of the Top

Destination Spa Resorts in the World in both the 2022 and 2023 Condé Nast Traveler Readers' Choice Awards US. Additionally, both The Gainsborough Bath Spa in the UK and Higashiyama Niseko Village, a Ritz-Carlton Reserve in Japan, have earned the prestigious Michelin Key. The Ritz-Carlton, Koh Samui was recognised in the 2023 Condé Nast Traveler Readers' Choice Awards US as one of the Top 15 Best Resorts in Thailand. Furthermore, Monkey Island Estate, Gaya Island Resort, and The Ritz-Carlton, Koh Samui have been named in the 2025 edition of Fodor's Finest as some of the Most Incredible Hotels in the World.

YTL Hotels' portfolio embodies the brand's promise of "Treasured Places, Treasured Moments" and includes the ownership and management of several Marriott International properties in Malaysia, Japan, Thailand, and Australia. This also encompasses distinctive hotels under the Autograph Collection and AC Hotels banners. Notable properties within the Marriott International partnership include The Majestic Hotel Kuala Lumpur, JW Marriott Kuala Lumpur, and Hotel Stripes Kuala Lumpur. The collaboration further features prominent hotels like The Ritz-Carlton, Koh Samui, and Higashiyama Niseko Village, a Ritz-Carlton Reserve, which was named one of TIME's World's Greatest Places 2021. As Japan's first Ritz-Carlton Reserve, it plays a key role in YTL Hotels' master plan for Niseko Village.

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