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## **Biggest Pokémon & Friends show to celebrate the festivities at Resorts World Genting**

***40ft Giant Pokémon Christmas Tree, Parades, Christmas Carols, a Santorini blue & white Christmas with Santa & Santarinas- you name it we have it, all here for you to have the best time of the year!***

**Genting Highlands, 30<sup>th</sup> November 2018** - The season of giving and joy is casting a spell on Resorts World Genting this year. Perched 6,000 feet above sea level and blessed with a cool climate all year round, there is no better place in Malaysia than Resorts World Genting to celebrate Christmas this year. Be transported to a far-off land and revel in the spirit of winter celebrations going into the New Year, as the resort transforms itself into a magical wonderland for the most wonderful time of the year.

This year, Resorts World Genting is taking a Mediterranean theme to its Christmas celebration with a Wintry Santorini above the Clouds from 28 November 2018 to 1 January 2019. Specifically, to the island of Santorini in the Aegean Sea, where houses with brilliant whitewashes walls, deep blue-domed roofs and graceful windmills hugging steep cliffs have become an iconic picture of Greece. That scene is now transported almost halfway across the globe and up a mountain to Resorts World Genting, where the serene Santorini vibe is mingled with twinkling Christmas trees, golden bells and festive garlands for a unique white coastal Christmas.

The lofty halls of the SkyAtrium in SkyAvenue Mall have been transformed into a Santorini-inspired village, decorated with sparkling lights and snow-covered trees. The smell of gingerbread and spices will fill the air, as guests explore this special Genting Christmas Santorini Village to indulge in Christmas treats and hunt for the perfect Christmas present for their family and loved ones, with special offers and merchandise from Resorts World Genting and its retail partners such as Crabtree & Evelyn, Pandora, Taste of Asia, Love18, Tomei and Lovely Lace.

### **Tis' the season to be jolly with Pokémon & Friends**

A daily Pokémon Parade featuring Santarina, elves and rosey-cheeked Pichachus, as well as an all-dancing, Pikachu Dance troupe, will entertain audiences four times a day from 1December 2018 – 1 January 2019 making this Christmas a very, very special one for all guests of Resorts World Genting.

The Pokémon extravaganza doesn't end there. Life-sized figures of Pokémon will be placed throughout SkyAvenue mall for guests to snap photos with, while Pokémon fans can challenge themselves in an exciting Pokémon Trainer programme. The Pokémon Pop-Store, featuring merchandise from the Pokémon Centre in Tokyo and other countries, will be the perfect place to pick up presents. And in the middle of the new Skytropolis Funland, the first-ever Pokémon Christmas tree in Malaysia will stand tall in glimmering glory, where the fantastical and friendly Pokémon become glittering decorations in the 40 ft high tree. This will be a sight unique only to Resorts World Genting this Christmas.

To see Santa Claus and his merry friends, catch them when they roam the resort from 1-25 December, meeting and greeting guests on a walkabout and be at Times Square stage daily to bring cheer and joy to all guests.

From 12-25 December, Christmas carollers will also be making appearances at Times Square and other landmarks across the resort, filling the space with timeless festive melodies that bring to life the magic of the season. In between Santa and carollers, the Times Square stage will be filled instead with lovable Pikachu as part of the Pokémon Festival @ Resorts World Genting. On the evening of 24 December 2018, the Pokémon will be joined by Santa Claus and all his friends, bringing the entire Resorts World Genting family together to count down to Christmas.

Even after Christmas Day, the magic will continue. Because after Christmas, comes the New Year. Every year, Resorts World Genting rings in the New Year with a bang, and this year will not be an exception. Taking place at the High Line and the Symphony Stage at SkyAvenue this year on 31 December 2018, guests will be able to count down to a brand-new year amid showers of confetti and the illumination of amazing fireworks.

### **Tis' the season to feast**

The festive season is, of course, not complete without a feast. And Resorts World Genting has prepared a mouth-watering array of treats and specialties to celebrate the spirit of the season. At the Santorini Village, a gingerbread house will be serving all sorts of seasonal treats from Christmas gingerbread figurines, Christmas lollipops, delicious chocolates, mouth-watering cookies and traditional confectionaries like Christmas stollen, Christmas yule logs and Christmas cakes. The gift of freshly-baked Christmas goodies will also be available at The Bakery on the ground floor of Genting Grand hotel, where Christmas confectionaries and cakes will also be available from 28 November 2018 to 1 January 2019.

To celebrate Christmas and ring in the New Year, Coffee Terrace on the ground floor of Genting Grand hotel will be serving up its annual festive buffet with roast turkey and all the trimmings, priced at RM55 nett per adult/RM28 nett per child for the Christmas Eve/Christmas Day/New Year Day lunch and RM92 nett per adult/RM46 nett per child for the Christmas Eve/Christmas Day/New Year Eve dinner. For a more glamorous setting, fine dining establishment The Olive will be featuring a spread of fresh oysters and foie gras tarts to precede a main course of either roast turkey leg or sous-vide Angus striploin. New Year revellers won't be left out as well, with a menu of fresh seafood as an appetiser and a main course choice of butter-poached monkfish or roast lamb shoulder. The Christmas and New Year menus at The Olive are priced at RM350 nett per person.

Just across the hall from The Olive, LTITUDE at Genting Club will also be serving up special menus for the holidays. For Christmas, choose from a main of sous vide turkey or herb-crusted Salmon to accompany a starter of scallops and prawns, as well as a warming potato leek soup. For New Year, smoked honey-glazed duck and seafood chowder pave the way for a hearty main of grilled lamb rack or grilled ribeye MB9. After dinner, settle down with a drink and a cigar around the fireplace at the LTITUDE lounge, while enjoying the cool weather and twinkling lights of the resort.

Blessed with soaring views of the resort, Park Avenue Lounge at SkyAvenue mall will set the stage for a sophisticated celebration with a canape & wine, counting down to Christmas and New Year 2019 on 24 and 31 December 2018 while nibbling on smoked salmon crostini, Christstollen roast chicken and honey glazed duck. The lounge will also be serving special high tea sets (RM128 nett for 2-4 pax) on 24, 25 and 31 December, and 1 January, while a live band entertains guests and Santa Clause makes an appearance to meet and greet children.

This is the season for sweet treats, of course, and it won't get any sweeter than with a festive high tea at Cafés Richard. Pecan tarts, butterscotch eclairs, strawberry mille-feuille and crème brûlée will be served alongside lobster on toast, escargot, foie gras tartlets and duck rilette in an appetising array that celebrate Christmas and New Year *a la Paris*. And specially for the season, Cafés Richard will also be brewing special Christmas drinks, including a Christmas tea and classic coffee drinks graced with creative Christmas latte art.

Elsewhere at the resort in Awana Genting, Flavors will be serving up a four-course Christmas Eve/Day dinner menu and a five-course New Year's Eve menu, while Rajawali Coffee House brings back its beloved Christmas Day and New Year Day buffet spread, where classic festive flavours are mixed with local favourite dishes. For those that want to take the magic home, The Bakery at Genting Grand and Bubbles & Bites at Maxims Hotel is where guests can pick up whole-roasted turkeys with potatoes, vegetables, cranberry sauce and turkey jus for RM288 nett (average 4 kilos) on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day, with pre-orders opening 13 December to 23 December.

### **Tis' the season to party**

But the celebrations don't stop after the meal. The holidays are a time to let loose and party hard. And Cloud 9, on the lower lobby floor of Genting Grand, is obliging with its White & Blue Christmas Party and White & Blue New Year Countdown Party on 24 and 31 December 2018. Revellers in search of even more music can head on up to High Line, where live band NRG and the house DJ will be spinning nightly from 21-31 December to 2am, inviting guests to dine, drink and dance the night away.

Empire by Zouk has opened up at Level G of SkyAvenue and is a club that stems from a hip-hop themed, dual club-lounge that is reminiscent of the upscale, private lounges in New York that covers 5000 square feet with tongue-in-cheek artwork and a massive 20 feet long LED screen. If one club is not enough, keep the party going all night long by heading to the main club Zouk, opening 31<sup>st</sup> December 2018 with a special New Year's Eve party. DJ Che Molly from one of Zouk Singapore's repertoire of resident DJs will be on hand to usher in 2019. Chosen to be the club's first female resident for her versatility and adaptability, Che'Molly is well versed in multiple genres of dance music ranging from commercial EDM, to her personal favourite, the underground sounds of House and Techno. Entry is RM100 including one drink.

Adjacent to the clubs is RedTail by Zouk, a social gaming lounge decked out in eclectic art that is perfect as a pre-drinking spot with a huge variety of games such as Giant Beer Pong, Giant Jenga, futsal and even electronic games machines. If you're a keen songbird looking to blow off some steam with friends, RedTail Karaoke is the place for you with six rooms adorned with fun mascots such as Steve the drum-playing gorilla, Eddy the saxophone-playing panda and Joe the break dancing flamingo. The Zouk Atrium is located at Level G, SkyAvenue.

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