

The Houstonian Hotel, Club & Spa Debuts Bush Suite on December 1st

The Houstonian's new Bush Suite provides a glimpse into the lives of President and Mrs. George H. W. Bush and their endearing legacy in the city of Houston.

HOUSTON, TEXAS, UNITED STATES, December 1, 2022 /EINPresswire.com/ -- [The Houstonian Hotel, Club & Spa](#) is in the final stage of its \$70 million project to enhance the luxury lifestyle experiences across its wooded grounds. Located in the heart of the Galleria area, the independent property is known for its timeless nature, elegant décor, private fitness club, and its historic involvement in Houston's events and celebrations.



The new Bush Suite at The Houstonian is a tribute to President and Mrs. George H. W. Bush who called The Houstonian home during his presidency.

As a part of the renovation of the hotel guest rooms and suites, on December 1 the hotel is debuting a new 2-room suite christened the "Bush Suite" as a tribute to President and Mrs.

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As many loyal hotel guests and club members remember, the Bushes not only spent time enjoying the club, playing tennis, swimming, and dining at The Houstonian, but President Bush also hosted many of the G7 Economic

Summit meetings at the property's Manor House estate in 1990. An avid athlete, Bush would often be seen jogging around the outdoor track or playing horseshoes on a pit designed just for

him behind the hotel. According to hotel archives, the Bushes were gracious guests who never asked for any special treatment, befriended the staff, and always had time for anyone who wanted to meet them.

The Houstonian worked with archivists at the [George H. W. Bush Presidential Library and Museum](#) to find treasures portraying an intimate look into the Bushes' unpretentious and endearing family life. Some of the images of the Bushes with Houston business leaders, spending leisure time with family, and gathering in the suite prior to the 1992 Republican National Convention, have never been displayed publicly. One poignant photo shows President Bush in the suite on the night of November 3, 1992, making the call to concede the election to President-elect Bill Clinton.

Executive Editor with Texas Monthly Skip Hollandsworth wrote the Bush story hanging inside the entryway to the suite. He cites "When Bush became the 41st president of the United States in 1999, he and Mrs. Bush would fly into Houston's Ellington Field on Air Force One. They would be flown by helicopter to a polo field across the street from The Houstonian, and then they'd take a quick three-minute ride in the presidential limousine to the hotel's front doors. What the Bushes especially liked about The Houstonian was how secluded they felt, living on twenty-seven tree-lined acres in the middle of a bustling city. They loved the hotel's warm, understated luxury, which fit their own casual, easygoing lifestyle."

That sentiment was carried through the years as The Houstonian worked with the Office of George H. W. Bush on the planning of accommodations for family, friends, and staff who traveled to Houston for both Mrs. Bush's funeral in April 2018 and President Bush's funeral in December 2018. The hotel was completely cleared of guests on both solemn occasions, and



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“It is important to recognize the Bushes’ legacy and what they did for our city and our country,” said Hotel General Manager Steve Fronterhouse. “This suite is an authentic tribute that tells the Bushes’ history in a personal way. The stories are true - he opened doors to diplomacy and met with world leaders here, but he and Mrs. Bush were like family. We have 1991 photos of our staff welcoming them home to Houston with a flag-waving party after Desert Storm,” he said.

Other than the memorabilia on its walls, the Bush Suite has been renovated and decorated the same as the other new suites at the hotel. The 680-foot suite features a custom king-size bed with a master bath, and a separate spacious living room with a powder room, wet bar, sofa sleeper bed, and a quaint dining table for two set by the window.

The Houstonian Hotel, Club & Spa is located at 111 North Post Oak Lane in Houston. The Bush Suite sleeps up to four guests and is available for booking beginning December 1, 2022, by calling Houstonian Reservations at 713-685-6810. Rates begin at \$1,250 per night with a two-night minimum required for some dates.

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Located in the heart of Houston, The Houstonian Hotel, Club & Spa is a Forbes Travel Guide Four-Star secluded retreat adjacent to the city’s iconic Memorial Park and minutes from downtown, the Galleria, and Energy Corridor. The Houstonian recently completed a \$70 million master plan renovation and was named in Travel + Leisure’s World Best Awards as the #1 Resort



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Hotel in Texas. The resort is a member of Preferred Hotels and Resorts and is known for its timeless nature, elegant décor, private fitness club, and its involvement in Houston's historic events and celebrations. Guests at The Houstonian Hotel may relax and rejuvenate on a 27-acre oasis, with floor-to-ceiling wooded views in its 280 newly renovated guest rooms and suites, including a new Bush Suite with memorabilia from President George H.W. Bush's time at the property. TRIBUTE restaurant serves authentic Tex-Lex cuisine with an impressive wine list, The Bar & Patio is a classic local favorite, and the Coffee Shop serves guests in the elegant hotel lobby. The hotel has 33,890 square feet of indoor meeting space and 87,349 square feet of outdoor meeting space with a "Houstonian Experiences" menu for corporate and social groups, meetings, and celebrations. The 185,000-square-foot Houstonian Club is available to hotel guests without a resort fee and offers over 160 weekly group exercise classes, aquatic programs, indoor and outdoor tennis, a resort pool with a rockslide, a 25-meter sports lap pool, and a quiet garden pool. Guests can enjoy the club's luxurious locker rooms and wet areas, a fully equipped fitness floor with over 300 pieces of equipment, indoor turfed fitness zone, enhanced group exercise fitness studios, cycle studio, a private yoga studio with aerial silks, and an indoor basketball court. The club also provides 2 areas for children ages 6 weeks to 12 years, kids camps, and special events and programming – all available to registered hotel guests for applicable fees, plus an outdoor playground and butterfly garden. Poolside dining is available at the expansive Arbor Grill, with wood decks, TVs, and a fire pit, and the club's grab-and-go called Refuel offers light fare and Starbucks Coffee. The club offers a full-time nutritionist, and a wellness therapy suite called The Covery. At 26,500 square feet, the new Trellis Spa at The Houstonian is the largest luxury spa in the state of Texas. From the outside, it resembles a magnificent European Villa with statuesque architecture and luscious gardens. On the inside, soothing, nature-inspired hues complement a grand, light-filled reception, renovated treatment rooms, sauna and wet areas, a scenic treetop dining room, an indoor Reflection Pool, and tranquil lounging areas. Trellis offers a Skin Care Clinic and a resident celebrity makeup artist. Its outdoor Soaking Pools and Garden provides an authentic contrast bathing experience with open-air cabanas, rocking chairs, a fire pit, and a butterfly art installation. The Houstonian also includes Sage 'n' Bloom Floral Studio, providing bespoke floral services for weddings and celebrations, client experiences, and corporate installations on-property and to the public. One of Houston's historic gems, the property is known for its grace, comfort, and unparalleled guest experience.

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