

# From Stay to Wellness: How Hospitality Businesses Can Thrive by Prioritizing Wellness, Longevity, and Sustainability

Linking Holistic Wellness to Hospitality

ALBANY, NEW YORK, UNITED STATES, April 19, 2024 /EINPresswire.com/ -- As summer beckons, a transformative opportunity emerges for guests to reflect on their personal lifestyle and mark the beginning of their own wellness and longevity journey.

With numerous reports and datasets on wellness in tourism, the question remains: what are the actionable steps for implementation, and how can the hotel hospitality industry serve as a major driver for promoting healthier lifestyles?

Famous practices like Yoga and Ayurveda, which integrate wellness components into our daily lives and communities. More and more people are adopting this wellness-based lifestyle, — seeking private villas surrounded by nature to host gatherings with close friends, where they enjoy clean and healthy food made with organic ingredients. These ingredients, such as fresh spices, herbs, saffron, green cardamom, anti-aging legumes, unrefined salts like Himalayan salt, stevia sugar or jaggery, dry fenugreek, green mango, and many other additives can enhance both daily meals and specialty dishes prepared by private or hotel chefs. This lifestyle also encourages adopting vegan or vegetarian practices at least occasionally, promoting a sustainable and healthy diet.

If hotels fail to offer this type of ambiance or programs, disruptors will undoubtedly take over the industry. It's crucial not only to expose the hospitality industry to the next generation but also to make this concept a successful investment opportunity for private equity, venture capital, and high-net-worth individuals.

Wellness, longevity, and a sustainable lifestyle can indeed be integrated into hospitality if they align with the demands and needs of the people. High-net-worth individuals and mid-scale lifestyle families often cannot find this environment in traditional hotels, leading them to isolate themselves from the crowd and create their own version of private hospitality.

So how can hotels offer services and pivot their operations towards wellness and sustainability? Hotels don't necessarily need to renovate specifically for wellness, but they can start by offering certain services a few times a week or month to run a wellness-focused operation.

Here are some strategies to run various programs at the property:

1. Spa, Aromatherapy & Mindfulness Retreat Sessions: (most popular wellness practice):

Determine the existing and new target guests from Pms and Crm data to cater to individuals seeking relaxation, stress relief, or a holistic mindfulness-focused experience.

By creatively utilizing adjacent spaces, hotels can design comprehensive wellness sustainable programs that offer guests a holistic experience while minimizing environmental impact and fostering a culture of sustainability and longevity. Understanding the audience will help tailor wellness offerings for anyone and everyone.

### 2. Adventure and Cultural Experiences:

Forge partnerships with local adventure outfitters, cultural organizations, eco-adventures, and artisans to develop unique experiences for guests on-site or off-site, depending on the travelers' demographics and preferences. Collaborate with experts who can provide guided tours, workshops, and hands-on activities that highlight the destination's adventurous and cultural aspects.

#### 3. Nutritional Offerings:

Nutritional offerings at hotels play a pivotal role in enhancing guest experiences and promoting wellness during their stay through menu diversity. Also, curating educational marketplace initiatives on the property, hosting workshops, cooking classes, or seminars focused on nutrition and wellness, and integrating these partners' businesses into each room booking landing page can further enhance the overall guest and user experience through a single touchpoint view to manage and optimize. This is how hotels can develop revenue business out of holistic wellness offerings by bringing all moments together for guests to experience. And this is how wellness, longevity, and sustainability can be linked to hospitality.

## 4. Yoga, Meditation & Outdoor Activities:

Hotels can enhance guest experiences by offering live amenities such as yoga, meditation, and outdoor activities during their stay, while also leveraging smart technology to streamline guest tasks.

More importantly, hotels can allow guests to easily book and manage their preferred activities through the same room booking landing page, integrating various options from external partners including yoga classes, meditation sessions, and outdoor excursions. These add-on integrations can also provide information about the schedule, instructor profiles, and any necessary equipment, — contributing to the total revenue per guest earning.

Moreover, in-room technology should equip guest rooms with smart devices or in-room tablets that offer personalized recommendations for wellness activities based on guest preferences and interests. Guests can use these devices to join live yoga sessions, meditation classes, or outdoor adventures directly from their rooms if they prefer not to step out.

#### 5. Souvenirs and Memorabilia:

By facilitating the acquisition of souvenirs and memorabilia, hotels can enhance the overall guest experience and foster lasting connections with their wellness journey and destination. These meaningful keepsakes serve as tangible reminders of the transformative experiences guests encounter during their stay, allowing them to relive cherished memories long after they've returned home.

Implementing these strategies enables hotels to effectively monetize souvenir and memorabilia sales, creating additional revenue streams while enhancing the overall guest experience. Souvenir purchases not only provide guests with tangible mementos of their stay but also serve as a source of brand loyalty and engagement. Offering incentives such as loyalty points for guests who make multiple purchases or reach a certain spending threshold on their total room account revenue can further foster guest loyalty.

Wellness guests and travelers seek experiences that promote relaxation, rejuvenation, and personal growth. They are willing to invest in activities and services that contribute to their physical, mental, and spiritual well-being during their travels and stay at the property.

Leading the charge in wellness, and executing and investing in sustainable practices that contribute to longevity and community health—hospitality can be one of those drivers.

<u>Compass Hotel Consulting</u> has developed a framework and process that facilitate in deploying any concept fostering wellness and sustainability mindsets among guests. Whether it's for the new development of hospitality or the utilization of existing spaces, offering two distinct service models and product offerings on the same premises allows both eco-conscious guests or travelers and those seeking luxury elements to find options that suit their preferences.

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