PRESS INFORMATION

Distinguished

"Hotel of the Year 2012" is situated in the New Eastern States right in the Heart of Mecklenburg Switzerland

Burg Schlitz is a paradise for all those who appreciate a sound and exquisite country-life. An insiders' tip — as yet! After having been discovered as a slightly different hotel by the magazine "Der Feinschmecker", the new proprietors Manuela and Armin Hoeck have once more a reason to rejoice: Because Burg Schlitz was exceedingly appreciated by the testers of "The Great Restaurant & Hotel Guide 2012". That's why this Guide, also known as "Bertelsmann Guide" awarded the prize "Hotel of the Year 2012" to this house. The certificate reads as follows: "In this captivating country-mansion amidst the picturesque scenery of Mecklenburg Vorpommern comfort, generousness and a loving attention to detail are just as present as a natural cordiality with which a guest is treated."

Apart from Burg Schlitz, 10 other establishments can be pleased with their awards, like for instance "Cook of the Year 2012", "Wellness Hotel of the Year 2012" etc. This Guide is structured according to federal states and travelling regions. Maps provide the reader with an overview of the regions and make it easier to search for the desired hotels and restaurants.

Being firmly established among German-speaking gastronomy- and restaurant-guides, this guide lists more than 4.200 hotels and restaurants, currently described and categorized, in Germany, Austria, Switzerland, Alsace and South Tyrol. The "Great Restaurant & Hotel Guide" (HDT Publishing Ltd.) is edited in a yearly revised new version in cooperation with enterprises of Bertelsmann Arvato Corporation. With its 15th edition so far, this travel-guide presents a "high-quality profile of top-ranking kitchen- and hotel-business". The "Great Restaurant & Hotel Guide 2012" is available from now on through the bookselling trade for EUR 29.00.

Burg Schlitz is a 90 minutes car drive away from Berlin and Hamburg, situated in the heart of Mecklenburg Vorpommern and can also be reached comfortably via Rostock-Laage airport. A small, attentive team takes care of the guests, gives recommendations for activities and excursions and fulfills even exceptional wishes. The personally and individually managed 5-star-category hotel offers 20 exclusively furnished rooms and suites, 450 acres of English Landscape Park richly stocked with game, and many enchanted places where your mind can wander wherever it may take you.

All guest-rooms, as well as a "Crest-Hall Gourmet-Restaurant", a Brasserie "Louise", a Hotel Bar "L'Orchidee", a Castle-Cellar, elegant Salons and festive Ballrooms have been redecorated and refurbished with a loving attention and a sense of style. A noble and elegant atmosphere also characterizes a Wellness-Lounge with indoor swimming-pool and various saunas. A romantic Castle-Chapel near the "Fountain of the Nymphs" is a perfect location for dream-like weddings. 35 horse-boxes in a historical royal stud, tours with an in-house horse

and carriage, cooking-classes in the castle-kitchen and last but not least own hunting grounds offer diversion, detachment from daily routine and a daily dose of happiness.

About the new Castle-Owners

Having spent nine successful years in the Mosel Valley, multiple award-wining hoteliers Michaela and Armin Hoeck moved on to new horizons. Until December 2010 Armin Hoeck operated a Relais & Chateaux hotel as managing associate. Always at his elbow, both privately and professionally, his wife Manuela. Since January 2011 the two thoroughbred hoteliers take pride in the ownership of a castle. The acquisition of Burg Schlitz was an ambitious step into independent self-employment.

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