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### **HOTEL EQUATORIAL PENANG'S NEW RESTAURANT IS A TRIBUTE TO PENANG'S COLOURFUL PAST**

Hotel Equatorial Penang recently swung open the doors of its brand new all-day dining Nada Lama which replaces the former Coffee Garden that underwent an extensive RM6 million renovation and upgrading programme.

The hotel's general manager Tan Lay Hong said that Nada Lama which translates to 'Yesterday's Melody' is a tribute to Penang's colourful past, and borrows inspiration from its colonial and Peranakan ancestry. "It is a space with fragments of heritage metamorphosed to the present day – not traditional, but with a timeless chic heritage mood," she added.

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The concept of Nada Lama takes on traditional detailing borrowed from architecture, clothing and bold color injection that is inspired by the Peranakan 'kuih' and pottery. Tan said that Nada Lama was envisaged to be a space reminiscent of a Nyonya household, taking one on a sensory journey that encapsulates all five senses. She said that the modern take of the Peranakan tiles which cover the floor, have become a conversation starter among guests who have dined at Nada Lama. She highlighted that another conversational piece is the intricate patterns of the kebaya lace which are reimagined on the screens along the restaurant's entrance. The semi-private rooms on the other hand, are conceptualized with distinctive oversized balustrade that is influenced from colonial time's barristers.

Nada Lama which is located on the lower ground floor is approximately 12500 square feet with 180 seats in the air-conditioned interiors, and 120 seats on the fan-cooled outdoor terrace.

The menus are globally inspired and include traditional local dishes and chef's specialties that have never lost its popularity. Sauces and dressings are home-made with spices and herbs taken from the hotel's own flourishing herb garden.

Nada Lama serves daily buffet breakfast, lunch and dinner, and over the weekend, themed buffets like the Surf & Turf Barbecue buffet dinner and Sunday Seiring buffet lunch are offered. During the buffets, meals are prepared at the action kitchen as guests look on. The illumination top of the action kitchen which are inspired from lanterns give a dramatic ambiance of the overall atmosphere.

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Nada Lama is open daily from 6.00am to 1.00am on weekdays and 2.00am on weekends.

Major credit cards are accepted.

For reservations, enquires, please call 04 6327118 or 012 4088818

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