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Hyatt Regency Maui Resort and Spa Receives Top Honors in *America's Best Hotels for Families - 2009* List By Travel + Leisure

Discerning readers rank resort as top family destination - #3 in U.S. and #1 in Hawaii

LAHAINA, MAUI, HI, CA (September 14, 2009) – Hyatt Regency Maui Resort and Spa is proud to announce their recent recognition in *Travel + Leisure* magazine's "America's Best Hotels for Families" list for 2009. A prestigious annual award tallied based on reader evaluations collected in the magazine's 2009 "World's Best Awards" survey, Travel + Leisure's annual listing honors the best family-friendly hotels, resorts, and cruise lines as selected by the magazine's discerning, travel-savvy readers, with highest ratings denote those that deliver a truly exceptional experience to a multi-generational clan. Recognized with top honors, Hyatt Regency Maui Resort and Spa ranks as #3 in the U.S. resort and #1 in Hawaii for 2009.

"We are extremely honored to be recognized by the knowledgeable, well-traveled readers of Travel + Leisure magazine as one of the U.S.'s best resorts for families," remarks Michael Jokovich, General Manager at Hyatt Regency Maui Resort and Spa. *"Our resort is truly a 40-acre playground, offering a limitless array of activities and amenities to captivate the whole family. Our goal is that all of our guests, whether big or small, return with wonderful memories of a truly authentic Hawaii vacation, one in which they had an opportunity to personally create their own unique island experience."*

Travel + Leisure writers Kathyn O'Shea-Evans and Ann Shields noted in the September issue, "Judging by the stellar properties that make the 2009 cut, two things are changing in the competitive world of family-friendly hotels: resorts are becoming even savvier about designing activities to engage young guests, and they're going back to fundamentals in pleasing parents." Catapulting the property to the top of the family-friendly list, guests at Hyatt Regency Maui Resort and Spa have access to a 1/2-acre fantasy pool and water playground, on-property wildlife tours, expert-led stargazing, as well as snorkeling and endless water sports. In addition, the Camp Hyatt program (one of only a handful of Hyatt resorts to offer both day and evening sessions) offers limitless diversions that change every day of the week – from coconut bowling, outrigger canoe building, fishing, sandcastle contests, hula lessons, lei making, and ancient Hawaiian games and cultural learning – allowing parents to take some time alone to indulge in a romantic private beachside dinner, sunset sails on the resort's 65-foot catamaran, couples lomilomi massage at Spa Moana or authentic Polynesian entertainment and cuisine at the *Drums of the Pacific* luau or *Cirque Polynesia*.

Complete results can be found in the September issue of Travel + Leisure or on the magazine's website at www.travelandleisure.com

For more information regarding Hyatt Regency Maui Resort and Spa, please contact the resort by phone at

(808) 661 1234 or (800) 233-1234, or visit the resort website: www.maui.hyatt.com.

About Hyatt Regency Maui Resort and Spa

Ideally situated on 40 tropically landscaped oceanfront acres along a three-mile stretch of the famed Ka'anapali Beach, Maui's longest crescent beach, Hyatt Regency Maui Resort and Spa offers an authentic Hawaiian experience in a setting of tropical luxury. Each of the 806 guestrooms, including 31 suites, affords Hawaiian elegance with plantation-style furnishings and a private lanai with panoramic views. Boasting endless amenities including Spa Moana, Maui's only oceanfront, 15,000 square-foot luxury spa and fitness center, elaborate water playground with tropical streams and waterfalls, championship golf, six tennis courts, scuba and catamaran sails, four restaurants, shopping, and over 100,000 square feet of function space, as well as expert-led stargazing, luau, and wildlife, art and tropical garden tours, Hyatt Regency Maui Resort and Spa offers everything necessary to create the quintessential Maui getaway.

Hyatt Regency Maui Resort and Spa has been recognized with awards and accolades including 2009 AAA *Four Diamond Award*, 2009 *Travel + Leisure* "500 World Best Hotels," 2009 *Travel + Leisure* "America's Best Hotel for Families," 2009 *Travel + Leisure* "Top 25 Hawaii Resorts," 2008 *Conde Nast Traveler* Gold List "Best Places to Stay," 2008 *Conde Nast Traveler* "Top 25 Hawaii Resorts" and 2008 *Conde Nast Traveler* "Top Golf Resorts." *Conde Nast Traveler* voted Maui "Best Island in the World" in 2008.

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