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BOUTIQUE BOLTHOLE LOCKE AT BROKEN WHARF TO OPEN AT LONDON'S MILLENNIUM BRIDGE

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This March, pioneering hospitality brand Locke will open its second hotel in the capital on the Thames at London's Millennium Bridge. The 113-room *Locke at Broken Wharf* is located minutes from both Cannon Street and Blackfriars on the north bank stretch of the river path. Locke offers guests a distinctive and memorable experience in the heart of one of the city's most iconic areas, marking the next step in the brand's exciting expansion plans. *Locke at Broken Wharf* sets the stage for two more London openings in Bermondsey and Dalston later this year, in addition to international projects in Dublin, Munich, Berlin, Lisbon and Copenhagen. These openings build on the success of Locke's existing hotels in East London, Manchester and Edinburgh.

Locke takes its cue from the evolving and varied demands of the contemporary traveller — blending the advantages of a high-end lifestyle hotel with the space and flexibility of an apartment. Its dynamic social spaces comprise an all-day restaurant, bar concept and buzzy co-working area, which will be activated through a mind-expanding cultural programme spanning wellness, fitness, art and music. This customer-first approach creates beautiful environments designed for living, not just sleeping, where guests can tailor visits to meet their personal requirements: whether they book for three days or three months.

Situated on the banks of the Thames with breath-taking views of the Tate Modern and Shakespeare's Globe, *Locke at Broken Wharf* draws inspiration from its surroundings with each studio accented by subtle aesthetics featuring natural tones, pastel colours and white marble worktops contrasted with brass details. Designed by Matthew Grzywinski of Grzywinski+Pons, each of the 113 studios have been considered with the guest, location and brand essence in mind. Having custom designed most of the furniture in each room, Grzywinski says, "throughout the property I played with a little matte/gloss tension, employing the aspirational bling of chrome, smoked glass and polished copper softened by the warmth and enveloping tactility of timber, cane and butterscotch upholstery." Generously-sized rooms and fully equipped high-spec kitchens create a sense of freedom truly unique to the hotel scene, where guests can enjoy the option of a short stay in a Locke Studio (average 29sqm) or retreat to one of the larger premium River Suites (average 33sqm) for a long term stay in London.

Created and operated by The Initiative, Deli Cat & Sons – a modern New York-style Deli with local flavours – will offer a selection of freshly baked bagels and salads, along with a vast selection of breakfast and brunch dishes, available for eating in or taking away. For those keen to prepare their own meals, cookbooks are provided with pantry essentials available to guests on request. Adaptable to the needs of a variety of local businesses and travellers alike, Locke also offers a smart co-working space comfortably nestled on the ground floor.

Opening in March 2020, Locke at Broken Wharf offers rates from £135 per night.

To make a reservation, please call 0203 327 7145 or email brokenwharfbookings@lockeliving.com

For more information about Locke at Broken Wharf, please visit www.lockeliving.com/locke-at-broken-wharf/

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ABOUT LOCKE HOTELS

Locke aims to engage with a new tribe of traveller that have an expectation for personal awakening, creativity and the opportunity to forge spontaneous connections with like-minded travellers and locals. Celebrating the character and social fabric of each location, Locke creates a destination that inspires and connects through beautiful, mindful design and meaningful human connection.

Locke at Broken Wharf is Locke Hotels' latest property and the fourth destination of its kind in the UK, following on from its predecessors, Leman Locke, located in London's Aldgate (opened in 2016), Eden Locke in Edinburgh's city centre (opened in 2017) and Whitworth Locke in Manchester (opened in 2018).

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ABOUT THE INITIATIVE

Founded in 2017 by entrepreneurs Youri Michel, Romain Dreyfus, Thibault Bouquet and Romain Ribera, The Initiative was created with a vision to disrupt the British Food and Beverage industry. Originating from regions across France, all four members of The Initiative worked their way up the hospitality industry throughout England and Europe and a decade on, they have combined their experience and channelled their industry intel into a hospitality concept which understands the constantly changing expectations of customers.