

THE EDGEWATER RECOGNIZED ON TRAVEL + LEISURE'S 2021 T+L 500 LIST OF BEST HOTELS IN THE WORLD Historic Property on Lake Mendota is Only Hotel in Wisconsin to be Recognized

Madison, WI (March 11, 2021) – Travel + Leisure has released its T+L 500 list, naming The Edgewater as one of the top properties in the world. The AAA Four-Diamond Edgewater property was one of only 155 hotels recognized in the U.S. and the only hotel in the state of Wisconsin to be included in the list.

"We are incredibly honored to be recognized on the 2021 T+L 500. As we enter into this new season of travel, we are thrilled to welcome back visitors to Madison, many who frequent The Edgewater year after year," said Chief Operating Officer and Senior Vice President, Amy Supple. "I am proud of our dedicated associates who showcase our property and continue The Edgewater's legacy of creating memorable experiences for our guests. This honor is especially important and gratifying as it comes from votes received from people who have visited the property and experienced our hospitality."

Originally opened in 1948 along the shores of Lake Mendota, the 202-room Edgewater has been a prominent gathering place in the heart of Madison, Wisconsin. In 2012, the hotel underwent a major, two-year renovation and reopened in 2014 as a new state of the art urban resort that includes a hotel, banquet facilities, 5 dining outlets, a spa and wellness center and a Grand Plaza that features free, year-round community events including a winter ice rink, fall food festivals and summer concerts.

Drawing on the Travel + Leisure 2020 World's Best Awards readers' survey results, Travel + Leisure recognizes the best hotels around the globe by naming them to this year's T+L 500 list. The hotels are listed alphabetically, by region and readers rated hotels on the following characteristics: rooms/facilities, location, service, food, value.

The T+L 500 is a trusted resource to help inspire and guide your next adventure, wherever—and whenever—it may be. The Travel + Leisure 2021 T+L 500 list is featured in the March issue of Travel + Leisure, on newsstands now.

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About The Edgewater

The Edgewater, an urban resort, offers visitors the ultimate Madison experience along the shores of Lake Mendota. The hotel first opened its doors in 1948 and quickly became recognized as a prominent part of the community and culture. The Edgewater has a rich history and throughout the years has hosted an array of celebrities, including Elvis Presley, Elton John, Bob Hope and the Dalai Lama, among many others. Privately owned and operated by a team that lives in – and loves – their city, the hotel reopened after a more than \$100 million renovation in the fall of 2014. No effort was spared to showcase the property's breathtaking views, offer unique amenities and focus on creating Madison's place, a community-focused hub of activity that is free and open to the public year-round. The Edgewater is a member of Historic Hotels of America. To learn more, visit <u>www.theedgewater.com</u>.

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