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HASTINGS HOUSE JOINS SMALL LUXURY HOTELS

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Hastings House Country House Hotel on Salt Spring Island, British Columbia, is pleased to announce its new affiliation with Small Luxury Hotels. This announcement coincided with the 25th anniversary celebrations at Hastings House, held on September 27th, 2006. This English-style country house hotel has been voted “Top Hotel in Canada” by Zagat Survey, and is ranked one of the “Top 20 International Hideaways” by Andrew Harper’s Hideaway Report.

The Small Luxury Hotels of the World brand is a collection of nearly 400 independently-owned exclusive hotels in 65 countries. Small Luxury Hotels feature award-winning spas, country houses, golf resorts, island retreats, city sanctuaries, and game and wilderness lodges.

Each exclusive property commits to a single standard of excellence, guaranteeing travelers worldwide an unsurpassed level of service, quality and luxury. Hastings House has built a reputation among discerning travelers in its first 25 years, as a luxurious and graceful country house hotel. The Hotel has developed a formula for indulging the palate and uplifting the spirit, bringing guests back year after year.

Bonny O’Connor, co-owner of Hastings House says of the new alliance: “SLH is a growing brand in the USA and the UK, and these are our primary markets. We are confident that the aggressive marketing program of this consortium will drive business to Hastings House.”

Every member of SLH is linked to the four major GDS systems using the code LX for luxury, allowing over 90,000 travel agents around the world to book member properties. SLH membership brings automatic credibility, allowing travel agents and consumers alike to book with confidence.

About Hastings House

Hastings House is located in Ganges Harbour on Salt Spring Island, British Columbia. Accolades include the “Best Canadian Resort” vote from Zagat 2004-2006 and several Grand Awards from Andrew Harper’s Hideaway. Built between 1900 and 1940 as a working farm on 22 lush acres of gardens, meadowland and forest, the property reflects the charm and elegance of an English country manor, making it an ideal choice for romantic getaways and weddings. For information or reservations, contact Hastings House, 800-661-9255 or visit www.hastingshouse.com.