

## **Choice Hotels International Opens Cambria Suites Hotel in Columbus-Polaris, OH**

**Upscale, Select Service All-Suites Brand Perfectly Combines Form and Function to Meet the Needs of Today's Travelers**

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Choice Hotels International today announced the 125-suite Cambria Suites hotel in Columbus near the Polaris Fashion Center opened its doors to guests last week, marking the first Cambria Suites hotel to open in 2009 and the second to open in Ohio under the American Hospitality Group. As of September 31, 2008, there are 65 Cambria Suites hotels under development nationwide and in Canada.

"We're thrilled to open our second Ohio property in the Polaris community of Columbus," said William Edmundson, president, Cambria Suites. "A lifestyle hotel brand like Cambria Suites is perfect for today's travelers whether they are visiting for business or pleasure, and the Columbus area can benefit greatly from a hotel catering to both audiences."

A grand opening celebration will be held at the hotel in April with representatives of Choice Hotels, American Hospitality Group, area businesses and members of the local Chamber of Commerce in attendance.

"This hotel has the style, function and design that today's travelers are looking for and represents a great addition to our hospitality group," said Sean Leatherman, Vice President of American Hospitality Group. "We are excited to open another Cambria Suites hotel in Ohio, building upon the success of the Akron property."

Like all Cambria Suites hotels, the Cambria Suites Columbus-Polaris boasts a stylish design and guestrooms that are 25 percent larger than standard hotel rooms. The hotel also offers the latest in technology, from a large-screen television in the open, airy two-story lobby to two flat-screen LCD televisions, Media Hub Technology, MP3 jacks in the guest suites and complimentary wired and wireless high-speed Internet access throughout the property.

All Cambria Suites hotels include Reflect, a casual dining and gathering area that features a full barista coffee bar and serves breakfast and dinner; Refresh, a state-of-the-art fitness center with an indoor pool and spa; and Refill, a 24-7 convenience store that stocks freshly prepared "grab 'n' go" salads and sandwiches as well as typical convenience items and healthy and organic foods. In addition, all hotels offer more than 1,000 square feet of meeting space. Every Cambria Suites hotel is committed to operational excellence and features the Cambria Pledge, an unconditional 100-percent satisfaction guarantee.

The Cambria Suites hotel is located at 9100 Lyra Drive directly across from Polaris Fashion Place shopping mall. The Cambria Suites Columbus-Polaris can be reached directly at (614) 841-9100. For reservations visit [choicehotels.com](http://choicehotels.com) or call 800.4.CHOICE.

### **About Choice Hotels**

Choice Hotels International franchises more than 5,700 hotels, representing more than 465,000 rooms, in the United States and more than 35 countries and territories. As of September 30, 2008, 955 hotels are under construction, awaiting conversion or approved for development in the United States, representing 76,269 rooms, and an additional 119 hotels, representing 9,647 rooms, are under construction, awaiting conversion or approved for development in more than 20 countries and territories. The company's Comfort Inn, Comfort Suites, Quality, Sleep Inn, Clarion, Cambria Suites, MainStay Suites, Suburban Extended

Stay Hotel, Econo Lodge and Rodeway Inn brands serve guests worldwide. In addition, via its Ascend Collection membership program, travelers in the United States, Canada and the Caribbean have upscale lodging options at historic, boutique and unique hotels.

Additional corporate information may be found on the Choice Hotels Web site, which may be accessed at [www.choicehotels.com](http://www.choicehotels.com).

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