Choice Hotels Announces Expansion of the Cambria hotels & suites brand in Sonoma County, Calif.

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Expected to open in 2019, the Cambria hotel & suites Sonoma County is in the heart of "wine country" and next to Napa Valley, offering nearly 60,000 acres of vineyards and more than 400 wineries. Additionally, the region is home to some of California's best golf courses, numerous hot springs, Armstrong Redwoods and Sonoma Coast State Park, Russian River, Graton Resort & Casino, Sonoma State University and the Sonoma Raceway. For business travelers, this Cambria property is also conveniently located near Rohnert Park's top employers, including St. Joseph Health, Sutter Santa Rosa Regional Hospital, Kaiser Permanente and Keysight Technologies.

"Sonoma County's popularity continues to grow as the region welcomes more than 7.5 million visitors annually for both business and leisure, making it an ideal fit for Cambria hotels & suites," said Janis Cannon, senior vice president, upscale brands at Choice Hotels. "Cambria looks forward to expanding into key markets like Sonoma and throughout California, with future openings in Los Angeles and Anaheim."

The Cambria hotel & suites Sonoma County will have ample meeting space, an outdoor pool, fitness center, restaurant and lounge. Like all Cambria hotels & suites, the Sonoma property will feature contemporary onsite dining, serving a menu comprised of local specialties; liquor, wine, and local craft beers, as well as freshly prepared grab-and-go gourmet salads and sandwiches; and a barista bar.

Cambria's franchise partner, Stratus Development Partners, LLC, is a full-service real estate firm specializing in innovative developments. Over the past 18 years, Stratus' principals have successfully entitled, developed, built, and managed more than 26 communities in core markets across California.

"We couldn't be more excited to partner with Choice Hotels to develop the Cambria Sonoma County," said Andrew Wood of Stratus Development Partners, LLC. "Sonoma continues to grow, and its location just 45 minutes north of San Francisco means travelers will find an upscale home for both business and pleasure in Cambria's newest property."

Cambria hotels & suites are designed to provide a unique and distinctive experience with the services and amenities that travelers demand, including chic décor, flexible spaces for meeting or socializing, stunning rooms that feel like an upgrade, and of course, free WiFi, allowing guests to stay fully connected while they travel.

About Cambria hotels & suites

Cambria hotels & suites makes business travel easier--and more fun--than ever before. Offering modern décor, rooms that feel like an upgrade, and fresh, local cuisine at our Social Circle® restaurant, Cambria makes every guest feel like a VIP. There are currently 29 properties open across the country and more than 50 under development in the U.S. and Canada. To learn more, visit <u>www.cambriahotelsandsuites.com</u>.

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