

-- Rewarding Hyatt Gold Passport members with points to redeem for free nights when paying for stays with a MasterCard® card --

□ **CHICAGO (June 15, 2009)** – [Hyatt Hotels & Resorts](#) announces today the launch of a new [Hyatt Gold Passport™](#) bonus point promotion, which reinforces the Hyatt commitment to creating the world's most generous welcome. From June 15, 2009 through September 15, 2009, Gold Passport members can earn 2,500 bonus points per stay when paying with a MasterCard debit or credit card. The number of bonus points that can be earned is unlimited and points never expire.

After only two stays, members will earn enough points for a free night or a room upgrade. With the newly redesigned [Hyatt Gold Passport](#) program, members can now take part in a wider range of exclusive privileges, including free night awards with no blackout dates, complimentary Internet access, suite upgrades and exclusive check-in areas for elite members.

“This unlimited promotion is designed to reward all of our guests, whether we have the privilege to welcome them every week or once in a while”, said Jeff Zidell, vice president, Hyatt Gold Passport. “It’s our way of demonstrating loyalty to our members and helping them reach their vacation goals more quickly than ever before.”

“Together with Hyatt we are proud to once again offer MasterCard cardholders who spend time on the road a compelling and valuable reward simply for choosing to pay with their MasterCard debit and credit cards,” said George Zilvetti, Vice President, Travel & Entertainment, U.S. Commerce Development, MasterCard Worldwide. “Whether a business road warrior or traveling for pleasure, a MasterCard cardholder can earn free nights to redeem for quality time with the people who matter most.”

To enroll in the promotion and begin earning bonus points, Gold Passport members can register at [goldpassport.com](#). Guests who are not yet Gold Passport members can easily join at [goldpassport.com](#) and will be automatically registered.

With the opening of 30 new hotels in the past year, and 18 more properties slated to open in 2009, Hyatt Gold Passport members have more opportunities to experience Hyatt and the benefits of membership. A selection of the new and upcoming locations include:

- North America and the Caribbean – Seattle, Los Angeles, St. Louis, New York City, Salt Lake City, Milwaukee, Richmond, Charlotte, Sarasota, West Palm Beach, Clearwater Beach, Lexington, Toronto, Curaçao
- Asia - Shanghai, Beijing, Hong Kong, Macau
- Europe and the Middle East – Istanbul, Dushanbe, Ekaterinburg, Moscow, Doha, Jeddah

Full terms and conditions for the Hyatt Gold Passport-MasterCard promotion are available at [goldpassport.com](#). Reservations for any Hyatt hotel and resort worldwide may be made by visiting [hyatt.com](#), calling (800) 233-1234 from the U.S. and Canada, or contacting the nearest worldwide reservations center.

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