

Sage Lodge to Open Summer 2018 as Inspiring Destination on the Yellowstone River

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Situated on more than a mile of Yellowstone riverfront, <u>Sage Lodge</u> will become a year-round destination for fly fishermen, outdoor enthusiasts, and those looking for a rejuvenating escape from the everyday. This rural resort is scheduled to open in summer 2018 and will offer 50 guest rooms, including a 34-room lodge and four stand-alone cabins. Guests and locals will be able to enjoy a Montana-inspired restaurant and bar complete with a wood-fired grill, a versatile event barn for private meetings or special occasions, and a full-service luxury spa. Located 30 miles from Yellowstone National Park and less than an hour from Bozeman, the lodge looks out at the majestic Emigrant Peak and features expansive views, unparalleled experiences and distinctive Montana hospitality.

Through a partnership with SAGE, an innovative, world-class manufacturer of performance fly fishing equipment, Sage Lodge will provide guests with a multitude of fly fishing experiences, from beginner's casting instruction to guided excursions to the best locations in Paradise Valley. Year-around outdoor activities will include hiking, horseback riding, birding, dogsledding and snowshoeing. The resort will also include an on-site fitness center with an outdoor workout space.

Conceptualized by interior design firm Degen & Degen, the guestrooms will bring the outdoors inside with décor and materials that reflect the surrounding landscape. The spacious and comfortable rooms will include a gas fireplace and ample storage to house outdoor gear. The freestanding cabins will feature four rooms that can be booked individually, or collectively to sleep up to 16 people. The common spaces will include a full kitchen, dining room, living room, loft space and outdoor patio in each cabin, as well as a hot tub shared between the cabin cluster. Room rates are projected to start at \$300 per night.

The property will have a ranch-like composition of outbuildings, with a wood-fired grill and bar housed in an event barn separate from the lodge, offering indoor and outdoor dining where guests can sip on local beers, wine and craft cocktails while enjoying cured meats and fish from around the region. In the main lodge lobby, a separate bar area will mirror the main restaurant with a more relaxed environment and limited menu.

Indoor and outdoor meeting and event spaces for up to 150 people will be available, creating multiuse rooms for a variety of occasions. These will include a 2,500-square-foot event barn, three small meeting rooms and 1,800 square feet of pre-function space. All guests will have access to the lodge's lawn, where they can enjoy activities and games.

The <u>Joshua Green Corporation</u> (JGC), owner of the lodge and SAGE Manufacturing, is a large contributor to the local community and remains active in supporting area enhancements and preservation, regularly contributing to conservation efforts. "Sage Lodge truly speaks the language of adventure seekers and those looking to be inspired by the great outdoors," said Stan McCammon, president and CEO of the JGC. "The Green family, now in its sixth generation, is comprised of fly fishing and outdoor enthusiasts, and this magnificent property will offer endless opportunities for generations of families, friends and the community to enjoy."

In addition to Degen & Degen, JGC partnered with general contractor Northfork Builders, Inc., architecture firm Jensen Fey, landscape architecture firm ELM and developer Touchstone Corporation to bring to life its vision of an outdoor hub inspired by its surroundings. Columbia Hospitality, a Seattle-based management company, will manage and operate the lodge. Columbia also manages The LARK hotel and Rialto theater in Bozeman, MT.

"Sage Lodge will undoubtedly become a must-see destination for travelers, whether they're looking for outdoor adventure or a peaceful getaway in one of the most beautiful destinations in the country," said <u>Columbia Hospitality</u> founder and CEO John Oppenheimer. "We are excited to collaborate with incredible partners on this property and look forward to offering remarkable experiences that create an inspired getaway for our guests."

Following the Lodge's grand opening, an on-site spa with several soaking pools, as well as luxury amenities and treatments, is scheduled to open in late 2018.