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WISCONSIN'S OSTHOFF RESORT NABS #5 RANKING IN "TOP RESORTS IN THE MIDWEST" IN THE 2019 CONDÉ NAST TRAVELER MAGAZINE'S READERS' CHOICE AWARDS

ELKHART LAKE, Wis. (Oct. 9, 2019) – Talk about a leap in the rankings. Wisconsin's Osthoff Resort moved up nine spots to grab the #5 ranking in this year's Condé Nast Traveler Magazine's Readers' Choice Awards in the category of <u>Top Resorts in the Midwest</u>. Readers voted on their favorites, rating a property's rooms, service, cuisine, location, activities and value. For more on this landmark resort located on the shores of Elkhart Lake, log on to <u>www.Osthoff.com</u>.

This is the 32nd year for the awards, making it the longest-running recognition of excellence in the travel industry. More than 600,000 Condé Nast Traveler readers submitted a record-breaking number of responses, rating the travel experiences they admired most. Especially impressive for all the

winners is the fact that just 15 percent of the nearly 10,000 hotels, resorts and destination spas rated made the cut.

"This is an honor we cherish because it comes from the readers and because we know how very competitive it is," said Lola Roeh, general manager of The Osthoff Resort. "As we look ahead to 2020 and our 25th anniversary, it's that high standard of gracious hospitality that we'll continue to live by in



our work and celebrate with our guests."

The Osthoff Resort is known for its pristine lakeshore setting, distinctive architecture with lakeview balconies, spacious suites, award-winning Aspira Spa and an impressive collection of amenities including three restaurants, a cooking school, gift boutiques, indoor and outdoor pools, lake deck with live music, and elegant ballrooms and meeting venues.

The resort has also become increasingly known for its one-of-a-kind events, including the newest, an Ice Age Trail hiking weekend event set for Oct. 25-27. The highlight of the weekend will be two guided hikes through the Kettle Moraine State Forest led by Melanie McManus, the only person to have thru-hiked the 1,150-mile Ice Age Trail twice. The weekend event includes two evenings in a two-bedroom suite, welcome wine reception and dinner, European brunch, complimentary wine with dinner, and Aspira Spa specials. The full weekend itinerary is posted at www.Osthoff.com/Autumn-Packages. Reservations may be made by calling 844.566.4392.

Then it's on to the holiday season with the 22nd staging of the always-magical Old World Christmas Market, Dec. 6-15. International vendors sell their wares from traditional pine booths, with fresh Christmas trees and twinkling lights setting the scene inside a heated tent the size of a football field. There's even a German food court to keep busy shoppers fueled as they stroll, discovering special finds at every turn. Last year the Old World Christmas Market was voted the #1 holiday market in the U.S. in the Readers' Choice Awards from USA TODAY and 10Best. Horse-drawn carriage rides complete with hot cocoa to shoo away the cold, cookie decorating, breakfasts with Santa, ice skating, St. Nicholas and Christmas Day Brunches, and New Year's Eve celebrations round out the busy holiday calendar at The Osthoff.

Earlier this year The Osthoff Resort received the prestigious AAA Four Diamond Rating for a 21st consecutive year and was also voted "Best Lakeshore Resort" by Wisconsin Meetings. For more information on the resort, log on to www.Osthoff.com.

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