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Hotel Opening Roundup: What Opened Last Month and How to Earn Points



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When hotels open around the world, brands will offer their loyalty members bonus points, miles, and perks for stays. Who wouldn't want to take advantage of a new building or newly-refurbished property, especially when it means double and sometimes triple or quadruple points? Check out these hotel openings for the month of May below and how you can earn additional points for your stays.



AccorHotels

One great thing about the AccorHotels brand is that you're almost always guaranteed some type of points promotion at new properties, thanks to the monthly "New Horizons" offer. All you have to do is go to the site, register, and book your stay within the required timeframe. In return, you earn quadruple points on your stay.

In May, AccorHotels opened one hotel in Australia. The Sebel Brisbane Margate Beach is not one of the more popular brands under the AccorHotels umbrella, but you'll still earn all your status and reward points while staying there. The beachfront property is a short drive to Brisbane Airport, with apartment-style furnishings, private balconies, and water views.

AccorHotels also had interesting news with its purchase of the Swiss hospitality brand Mövenpick Hotels & Resorts. We should expect to see more in the coming months.

Marriott Hotels

It was a huge month for Marriott, opening 14 hotels.

The month kicked off with the debut of The Pantheon Iconic Rome Hotel, a 79-guestroom property with an ancient Roman setting. The special opening offer includes 20% off stays of two nights or more, including breakfast and room upgrades. But it's not limited to Marriott Rewards members only.

A handful of other Autograph properties premiered in South Africa, as the brand made its first appearance in the country. Five African Pride Hotels made the switch to the Autograph Collection brand, ranging from urban properties to boutique hotels in a more rural setting.

The Autograph Collection also debuted in Alberta, Canada, with the opening of the Kananaskis Mountain Lodge. The gorgeous property blends traditional rustic mountain style with upscale finishings across nearly 250 guestrooms, suites, and lofts. If you're an Aeroplan member as well as a Marriott Rewards member, you can get a good deal at this particular property (as many as 2,000 bonus Aeroplan Miles).

The offer is part of the [Aeroplan Spring Travel Bundle Promotion](#), where the more you stay, the more you earn. Stay one night for 500 bonus miles; two nights for 1,000 bonus miles; three nights for 1,500 bonus miles; or four nights for 2,000 bonus miles. All you have to do is select Aeroplan/Air Canada as your earning preference within your Marriott Rewards member profile and book directly with Marriott using promotional code M12. The offer is available for travel through June 30. Note that it also extends to many other Canadian properties.

Another Autograph Collection property opened its doors in Newport Beach, Calif. Lido House is a small resort aimed at becoming the new Newport Beach culinary hot spot. If you hurry, you can take advantage of a [5,000 Marriott Rewards bonus point offer](#). Weekend stays of two nights or more through June 16 are rewarded with 5,000 bonus points per stay. Just reserve at the link above with promotional code M11.

Additionally, Chicago's first Moxy Hotel had its grand opening. The lifestyle brand is relatively new in the Marriott family and offers fun, functional spaces for adventurous travelers of all ages. This 156-guestroom hotel is situated on North LaSalle. The grand opening offer features special rates, a 21 percent discount, and a chance to win extra amenities like free cocktails or dining. Use promotional code PX3 when booking. The grand opening offer extends through Sept. 4.

Another somewhat-new Marriott brand, Delta Hotels, made its first European appearance with an opening in Germany. Delta Hotels by Marriott Frankfurt Offenbach is one of 50 Delta Hotels' properties, with another set to debut in Turkey later this year. Unfortunately, no special deals have been unveiled for this Frankfurt property just yet.

Two new Renaissance properties opened in May — the Renaissance Warsaw Airport Hotel, marking the brand’s debut in Poland, and the Renaissance Bali Uluwatu Resort & Spa, also a debut property, for Indonesia. While the former has yet to reveal any opening offers, the latter has two to choose from.

The “Are You Ready to Play in Bali?” offer is available through Sept. 30 and provides daily breakfast for two, complimentary WiFi and discounted rates. Use promotional code P91. Meanwhile, the “Experience Bali” offer is available through the end of 2018 and also includes discounted rates, a daily breakfast buffet, airport transfer, a 60-minute spa treatment, complimentary lunch or dinner, afternoon tea, a free cocktail and late checkout! However, you have to book before July 15, using code HO9.

The last two properties Marriott opened in May are the Sheraton Bamako Hotel in Mali and the Courtyard by Marriott Paris Roissy CDG Airport Hotel. The Sheraton property has [several offers](#) its participating in, though none are directly tied to points or miles. But you can take an extra 30 percent off your stay if you have an SPG membership, through Sept. 30. The Courtyard is also participating in [several larger destination-specific offers](#), with 25 percent off stays at Marriott properties in Paris and another for free kids’ meals at properties in Paris.

Hilton Hotels

While Hilton had a few hotel openings this spring, with the Hilton Santa Barbara Beachfront Resort opening in April and Hilton Mandalay opening in March, there wasn’t anything new in May.

However, if you are a Hilton Honors member, make sure you’re signed up for the latest [Double Points](#) offer. It’s an incredibly easy way to earn, with no strings attached.

Hyatt Hotels

Hyatt had a healthy month of openings, with more than eight properties opening internationally.

In the United States, Hyatt Place Denver/Westminster and Hyatt Centric Brickell Miami opened their doors. The former provides a winning combination of style and convenience with more than 130 guestrooms, free Wifi, and daily breakfast. The latter is a full-service lifestyle hotel. It is a new build, set over 19 floors within the 83-story Panorama Tower - the tallest building in Miami.

In Europe, the iconic Hotel Martinez reopened as an Unbound Collection property. A historic hotel that’s hosted many famous faces, it offers a special opening member rate of 15 percent off for World of Hyatt members.

Another Unbound Collection property opened in Istanbul. The Nish Palas Istanbul is a rather small boutique hotel at only 45 guestrooms, set within a historic neighborhood known for its art and culture.

Two hotels additionally opened in Asia, the Hyatt Regency Shenzhen Airport and Hyatt Centric MG Road Bangalore (previously a Hyatt hotel, rather than Hyatt Centric). The latter offers the member rate of 15 percent off, but also an advance purchase discount if you pre-pay at the time of booking.

The Hyatt Centric San Isidro Lima and Hyatt Centric Las Condes Santiago opened in Peru and Chile, marking the entry of the Hyatt Centric brand into both countries. The same offer applies to both properties: through June 30, book a stay that takes place before Aug. 19 and receive 50 percent off your third night, plus breakfast for two.

Lastly, Hyatt opened its 11th Hyatt Regency property in India with the Hyatt Regency Amritsar. It is currently the closest upscale hotel to the famed Golden Temple, just three miles away. The 15 percent off member rate is available.

If you're a World of Hyatt member and you haven't yet, remember to sign up for the [World of Hyatt Elite Status trial membership](#), available through Nov. 28. Also, don't forget to use a credit card when paying for your stay to earn even more points. For example, many of the [best business credit cards](#) earn multiple points per \$1 on hotels.

IHG Hotels

Members of the IHG Rewards Club can look forward to staying at five new properties that opened this month.

The Crowne Plaza Nairobi Airport opened with 144 guestrooms at Jomo Kenyatta International Airport. The property is participating in several larger promotions, all of which can earn you 1,000 bonus points.

While the newly-opened Crowne Plaza Riyadh Palace offers many of the same 1,000 bonus point offers, it also has a few others, such as a [4,000 points per stay offer](#) if you collect miles with a participating airline.

Another Crowne Plaza opened in the suburbs of Detroit. The Crowne Plaza Farmington Hills is 20 minutes from downtown, with many amenities suited to the average business traveler. Plus, if you book before Aug. 31, you'll receive double IHG Rewards points for your stay.

The InterContinental brand made its debut in Bulgaria with the InterContinental property boasts nearly 200 guestrooms, including 27 club rooms, and 37 suites.

Finally, Hotel Indigo London - 1 Leicester Square, opened in the city's theatre district, with unique boutique guestrooms reflective of the area. Several of the 1,000 bonus points offers apply to the property. The [IHG Rewards Club Bonus Points package](#) is also available.