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## Centara Grand Phratamnak Resort Pattaya will open first restaurant in Asia branded by famed Italian wine house of Ruffino.

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Centara Grand Phratamnak Resort Pattaya will feature the first restaurant in Asia to be branded with the name of the famed Italian wine house Ruffino.

To be named Ruffino Restaurant & Lounge, this signature restaurant will be located on the rooftop of the nine-storey five-star hotel, with superb views across the bay, and will serve traditional and contemporary cuisine from the coast of Italy.

Ruffino, which is based in Chianti, in the heart of Tuscany, was founded in 1877 and is one of Italy's premier wine exporters.

The restaurant concept has been developed by the award-winning architectural and design firm dwp|next, and has been conceived as a stylish venue with theatrical features, such as a wine bar offering quality wines by the glass and a show kitchen with wood-fired oven and charcoal grill.

Along with a collection of Ruffino Italian wines the restaurant will serve a large selection of international labels.



"We are very proud indeed to have been selected by Ruffino for their first restaurant in this region," says Dominique Ronge, general manager of Centara Grand Phratamnak Resort Pattaya.

"The restaurant will we believe become a landmark dining experience in Pattaya, for hotel guests and city visitors and residents alike."

The restaurant and wine lounge will have an open, fresh sea breeze feel and be partly encased in glass to offer a cooler environment for guests who prefer

to dine in air-conditioned surroundings.

Illario and Leopoldo Ruffino founded the wine house in 1877, with a winery at Pontassieve, just outside of Florence, where they began producing wines according to a strict quality standard and rigorous technical research.

Today Ruffino is part of Constellation Wines, the company that has in its stable Robert Mondavi, Inniskillin and Kim Crawford.

Dwp|next has been contracted to conceptualise and support this new restaurant until opening.



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