



## Historic Hotels of Europe: A story to tell

The Historic Hotels of Europe is a gold standard, prestigious network representing the finest hotels operating in historical buildings across 13 countries.

An umbrella group for 400 properties under 11 member groups, the Historic Hotels of Europe is proud to represent a wealth of high quality, luxury hotels – each with their own unique story to tell.

Created with the objective of promoting global awareness, the group showcases properties as diverse as they are culturally and historically important. From beautiful castles, to palaces, abbeys and estates, these outstanding properties all fall under one trusted name of quality and standards – the Historic Hotels of Europe.

Standing as an example of cultural traditions, history, heritage and architecture, each of these storied properties offers guests an authentic and stylish experience – from breath-taking locations to exquisite dining options.

The proprietors of these historic jewels are passionate about honouring Europe’s cultural heritage through excellence in hospitality, and see themselves as not just hoteliers but also as guardians of unique historical assets.

Although each hotel and member organisation is unique, they all share in the Historic Hotels of Europe’s vision – to be acting guardians of the past and outstanding hosts of the present. It is this vision combined with consistent, and high-quality service that defines our incredible collection of hotels.

*“Our historic hotels are eclectic and authentic, and we aim to bring our guests on a journey of inspiring experiences beyond the expected.”*

Barbara Avdis, Chairman

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## Facts and figures

Established	in 1997 with eight member organisations.
Our vision	is as guardians of the past and hosts of the present, we treasure our history and wish to preserve it. We believe this vision will aid in understanding where we have been and inspire future generations of hoteliers and travellers alike.
Our mission	is to bring each guest on an inspiring journey. We want you to celebrate the individuality of each of our hotels, and explore all that is eclectic, authentic and local about each property. Guided by our shared values and hospitality, we aim to create a lasting memory of Europe, of both its past and present.
Marketing focus	involves branding through online marketing, public relations, marketing alliances and brochures
Membership criteria	the member organisations are independent associations and not part of any hotel chain. The associations must have a structure that involves stringent membership criteria, admitting properties with a high standard of traditional hospitality, elegant accommodation and fine cuisine. The buildings should also be of historical or architectural interest.
Current membership	11 organisations in 13 countries across Europe.
Locations	France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Montenegro, Norway, Portugal, Slovakia, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom (Northern Ireland and Wales).



Total number of properties	almost 400 properties within 11 organisations.
Size and type of properties	restaurants and hotels vary in size from small four bedroom houses to larger properties. Many properties are owner managed.
Reservations	each organisation has its own reservation system.
Member directories	each organisation has its own directory; HHE brochures distributed at consumer fairs and trade events as well as by the individual properties.
Websites	<a href="http://www.historichotelsofeurope.com">http://www.historichotelsofeurope.com</a> <a href="http://blog.historichotelsofeurope.com">http://blog.historichotelsofeurope.com</a>
General assemblies	the Historic Hotels of Europe hold two general assemblies per year where decisions are made with the regard to marketing and membership.
Board of Directors	the Board of Directors 2015-2017 consists of:  Barbara AVDIS, Chairman Yades Heritage & Hospitality (Greece)  Claes LIVIJN, 1st Vice Chairman Countryside Hotels (Sweden)  Kenneth HEALY, Treasurer Ireland's Blue Book (Ireland)  Mike MORGAN, Secretary General Welsh Rarebits (Wales)
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## The members of Historic Hotels of Europe (2017)

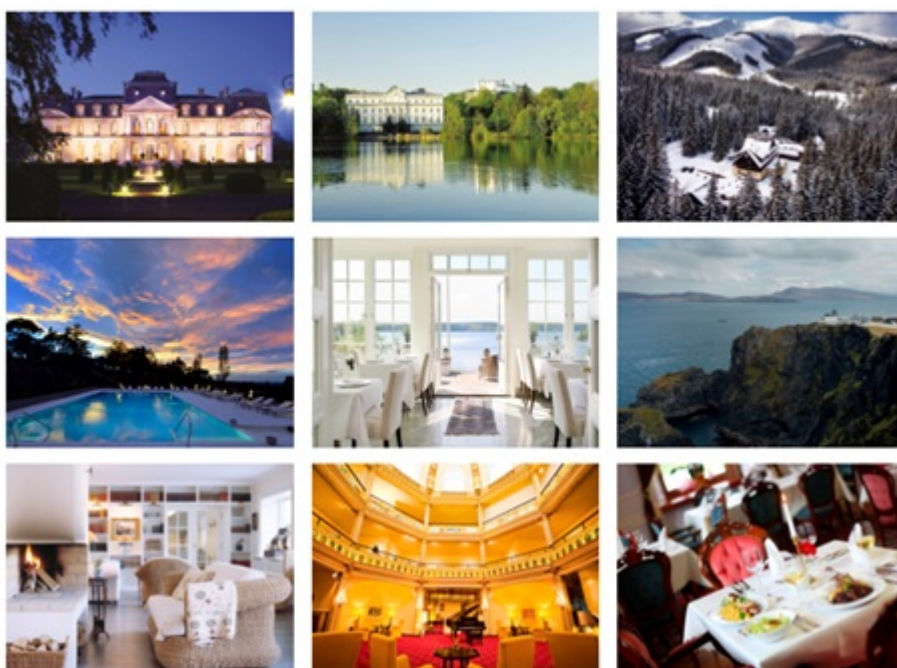
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