

MEDIA ALERT

THE RITZ-CARLTON YACHT COLLECTION CELEBRATES HULL LAUNCH CEREMONY IN VIGO, SPAIN

The Ritz-Carlton Yacht Collection celebrated the Launching Ceremony of their inaugural yacht on Tuesday, October 9th, 2018 at the Hijos De J. Barreras Shipyard in Vigo, Spain. Commemorating this milestone in accordance with longstanding maritime tradition, the Launching Ceremony celebrates a significant moment in the ship building process where after a ceremonial blessing, the yacht slides stern-first down the slipway and touches water for the first time. As part of this exciting occasion, **Douglas Prothero**, Chief Executive Officer of The Ritz-Carlton Yacht Collection, and **Timothy Grisius**, Global Real Estate Officer for Marriott International, were joined by HJ Barreras Shipyard's Chairman, **José García Costas**, and Tillberg Design of Sweden's Owner and Executive Project Director **Fredrik Johansson**. Also in attendance was **Anthony Capuano**, Executive Vice President and Global Chief Development Officer for Marriott International, alongside The Ritz-Carlton Yacht Collection executive team and members of investor group Oaktree Capital Management, L.P. With exterior construction almost complete, this event brings the yacht into the outfitting phase and one step closer to its anticipated launch in 2020. The Ritz-Carlton Yacht Collection will celebrate its naming ceremony this December, and will hold a christening celebration prior to the inaugural sailing in February 2020.

WHAT: Launching Ceremony for The Ritz-Carlton Yacht Collection's Inaugural Yacht

WHEN: Tuesday, October 9th, 2018

WHERE: Hijos De J. Barreras Shipyard
Av. da. Beiramar, 2
36208 Vigo, Pontevedra, Spain

WHO: **Douglas Prothero**, Chief Executive Officer of The Ritz-Carlton Yacht Collection
Timothy Grisius, Global Real Estate Officer for Marriott International
José García Costas, Chairman of HJ Barreras Shipyard
Fredrik Johansson, Owner and Executive Project Director of Tillberg Design of Sweden
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IMAGES: https://www.dropbox.com/sh/e099vfni33sa1t/AAAIVHZwXop_sdSAAyGJX2tfa?dl=0
Courtesy of HJ Barreras Shipyard and The Ritz-Carlton Yacht Collection

VIDEO FOOTAGE: <https://vimeo.com/294235553>
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