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CONDÉ NAST TRAVELER DOLES OUT
PRESTIGIOUS INTERNATIONAL AWARDS

**LE DOMINION 1912,
SELECTED CANADA'S BEST HOTEL, ALL CATEGORIES**

QUEBEC CITY, October 19, 2005 – Le Groupe Germain received exciting news this week when the Dominion 1912, its boutique hotel in Old Quebec, was named best hotel in Canada by the readers of prestigious Condé Nast Traveler magazine. The honor was announced Monday night in New York City at the magazine's eighth annual Reader's Choice Awards.

These awards are given out annually to celebrate excellence in tourism around the world. "What an incredible honor to receive this award for a hotel that is only eight years old!" exclaimed Christiane Germain, copresident of Le Groupe Germain. "It is very flattering. And the fact that it comes from the readers makes it even more so."

The Dominion 1912, which opened in 1997 in the former Dominion Fish & Fruit Co. office building, became an instant hit among international artists and discerning travelers with high expectations. Business travelers were also quick to adopt the Dominion 1912, an oasis of relaxation in the heart of the old city with its comfortable, well-appointed rooms, friendly atmosphere, and attentive staff. With demand growing fast, the hotel expanded in March 2001, adding 20 rooms to the 40 existing ones.

“We went out of our way to preserve the unique cachet of this early 20th century building,” explains Dominion 1912 general manager Richard Germain, “while taking care to instill it with the same charm and refinement of our other Le Groupe Germain properties. But the real secret is our staff. Guests love the warm welcome and the amazing service they get. It gives the hotel a soul of its own, and that’s what Condé Nast Traveler readers appreciate so much.

They are not the only ones. The Dominion 1912 also found itself on the Travel & Leisure Magazine’s prestigious 2005 listing of the world’s top 500 hotels.

About Le Groupe Germain

Le Groupe Germain is a family-owned company that owns and operates five hotels in Canada. Reputed for its exacting standards and its artful blend of luxury and simplicity, Le Groupe Germain owns a total of four boutique hotels in Montreal, Quebec City and Toronto, as well as a Relais & Châteaux establishment in North Hatley in Quebec’s Eastern Townships.

Earlier this year, Hôtel Le Germain in Montreal was named to Travel & Leisure magazine’s North American top five, while Christiane Germain was chosen as one of ten women of the year by the prestigious magazine *Châtelaine*.

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For information on the Dominion 1912
www.hoteldominion.com

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