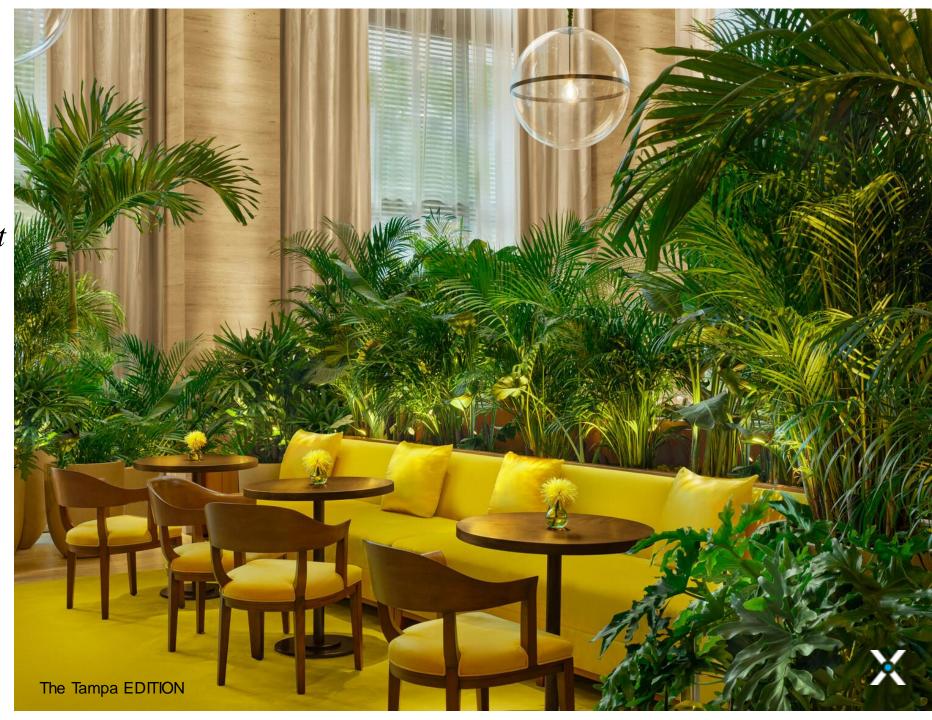
# Luxury Monthly Account Update + Data Axle 2024 Planning

January 8th, 2024





## **2024 Planning Session Agenda**

- 2024 Initiatives
- Process
- Content Planning & Creative
- Campaign Strategies & Learnings
- 2024 Planning Dates



#### 2024 Initiatives:

- Leverage Core MAU submissions to ensure this feels like a true Member Account Update
- Continue using data to drive content decisions
- Optimize and elevate hero through testing into alternative treatments
- Continue to lean into regionally targeted messaging (focus on APAC and MEA)
- Assess impact of newly defined/scored luxury segments to determine any shifts in audience size and make-up



## **Process**



## **Monthly Submission Process**

#### **Recap of Monthly Submission Process, Timelines, etc:**

- Lux MAU Monthly Submission Form
  - The form includes content sections/types, such as hero messages, offers/promotions, featured hotels, etc.
    - DA to provide a content outline 2 weeks ahead of kick-off for the **Brands to approve/review**.
    - Brand teams provide feedback on outline and any creative assets that are necessary
    - After Core MAU content grid is finalized, we will review and determine which submissions should also be included in Lux MAU on a monthly basis. That content will be highlighted in our content outline.

	Luxury MAU - February 2024 Content Submission						
February Lux MAU Theme Launch Date: 2/16/24		Romantic Travels					
Feeback Due Date		Content Feedback Due: 1/6/23					
Please comple	Please completely review the recommended content below under the "Recommended Content February" column. Any feedback you have can be submitted under the "Lux Feedback" or "Creative Assets column. After which, please return this form to Erica 8. In completing the form, DA will review all content submissions and feedback prior to Kick-off.						
	Reccomended (	Content February	Lux Feedback (For Brand Team Use)	Creative Assets (For Brand Team Use)	DA Notes/Follow-up	Kick-off Meeting Notes	
	Please do not modify or edit anything in this column		FOR BRANDS USE ONLY: Please provide all feedback and questions here.	This column is for the brand teams to add their desired copy, links, and any creative assets	Please do not modify or edit. DA will provode answers & feedback to the Brands in this column.		
Overall Design & SL Notes							
Hero Messsage	Maidives - W Hotels Reykjavik - EDITION Mauritius - JW Marriott Venice - The Luxury Collection Maul - The Ritz-Centon Bermuda - St. Regis		TRC. No concern with featuring Maul.  W: Can we see the image of W Maddleva? They are happy with the placement for them but would love to see the shot.  TLC: Confirmed here is okay.  JW, Edition, and St. Regis: Naven't heard back to confirm  Still up in the air with Half Moon Bay property - hold on this offer for Feb deployment.	TLC VENICE IMAGE - DAC File. LC-VCEGL-vcegl-attraction-jacob-38-17181			
Loyalty*							
Offer 1	Vana 84	elle - TLC					
Offer 2	JW Marriott Istanbul E	Bosphorus - JW Marriott					
Offer 3	Edition - Bed &	Breakfast Offer		Need direction from Meera			
Inspiration SR	on - St. Regis: Celebrations - House of Celebration and market the Ginori champagne carts		SR: Can we do House of Celebration and market the Ginori champagne carts for Feb?	Need images and copy			



## **Content Submission Timeline & Guidelines**

- Content Approval Ahead of Kick-Off:
  - Lux team gives final approval on content outline and submissions prior to KO to ensure we can keep planned launch dates
    - A completed content submission form
    - Content approval from each brand
- Kick-Off and DR1:
  - We'll plan to re-coordinate KO and DR1 calendar invites per quarter to ensure calendar alignment (Janet, Erica, and Leigh)

STEPS	ADDITIONAL INFO	CO	CONTENT GATHERING		KICK-OFF/DESIGN		
STEPS		WEEK 1	WEEK 2	WEEK 3	WEEK 4	WEEK 5	WEEK 6
CONTENT SUBMISSION SHARI	ED 2 WEEKS BEFORE KICK-OFF						
Content Submission Open							
Circulate Content to Brands for	Final Feedback						
Approved Content, Imagery, and	d Links						
KICK-OFF							
Kick-off							
Finalize and Confirm Any Missi	ng Content						
DESIGN ROUND 1							
Design Round 1							
DR1 CONTENT SUBMISSION F	EEDBACK						
DR1 Content Submission Feedl	back Due						
DESIGN ROUND 2							
Design Round 2							



## **Process**

- New Format for 2024:
  - DA will regularly communicate updates or reminders about the submissions and deadlines weekly

#### **Example:**

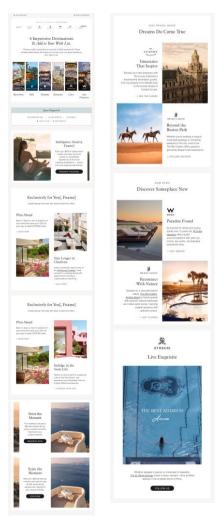
LUX MAU WEEKLY STATUS UPDATE			
TASK/ITEM	STATUS	NOTES	
CONTENT APPROVAL	PENDING	DUE DECEMBER 27th	
MISSING CONTENT	PENDING	PENDING ST. REGIS FEEDBACK	
KICK-OFF	AWAITING APPROVALFROM BRANDS	SCHEDULED DECEMBER 28th	
DR1 REVIEW	PENDING	DUE JANUARY 9th	
DR1 FEEDBACK DUE	PENDING		
DR2 DUE	PENDING	DUE JANUARY 13th	
DR2 FEEDBACK DUE	PENDING	DUE JANUARY 16th	
FINAL DESIGN	PENDING	DUE JANUARY 20th	
CODING	PENDING		



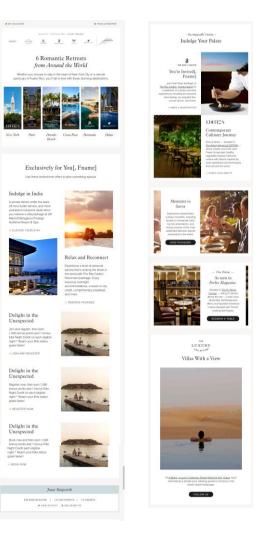
## **Content Planning & Creative**



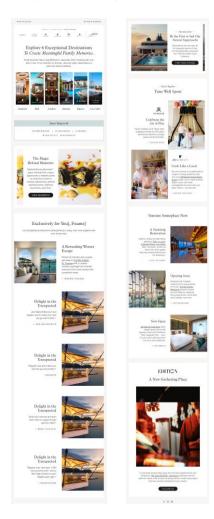
#### January 2023 Bucket List Travel – 1.9% CTR



#### February 2023 Romantic Escapes - 2.0% CTR



#### March 2023 Family Getaways – 1.6% CTR

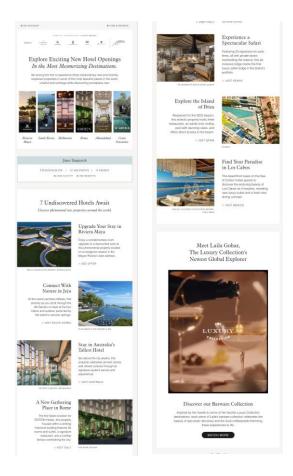




#### April 2023 Long Weekends – 1.9% CTR



#### May 2023 New Hotels – 2.2% CTR



#### June 2023 Summer Destinations – 1.9% CTR



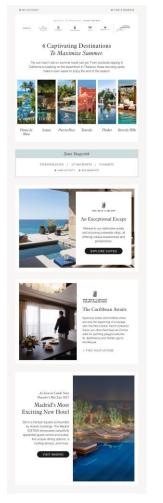


#### July 2023 Outdoors – 1.4% CTR





#### August2023





#### September 2023

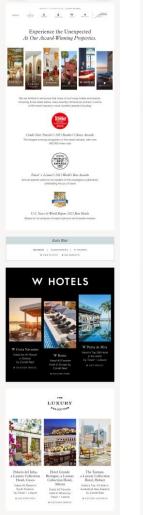




#### October 2023

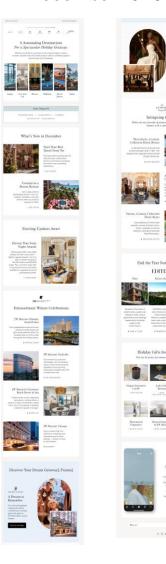


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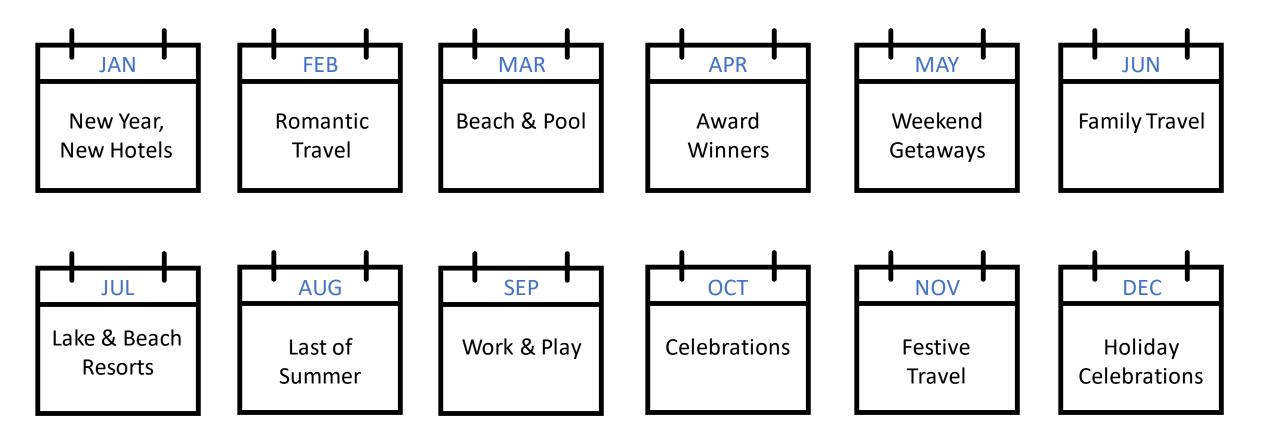
#### December 2023





## **2024 Content Themes: Luxury Communications**

Previous best performers, energy moments, and new ideas





## **2024 Energy Moments**

Month	Moments
January	MLK (15)
February	Carnival (9-14), Chinese New Year (10), Super Bowl Vegas (11), Mardi Gras NOLA (13), Valentine's (14), President's Day (14)
March	Int'l Women's Day (8), Daylight Savings (10), St. Patrick's Day (17), Mother's Day-UK (19), Holi-India (25), Easter (31), Ramadan (14 start), March Madness-US (starts 19)
April	March Madness (thru 8), Ramadan (ends 9), April Fool's (1), Earth Day (22), Jazz Fest NOLA (26-May 5)
May	Cinco de Mayo (5), Mother's Day-Mexico (10), Mother's Day-US and Most Countries (12), Cannes Film Festival (17-24), Memorial Day (27)
June	Father's Day (16)
July	Independence Day (4), Running of the Bulls-Spain (6-14), Paris Olympics (26 start)
August	Paris Olympics (thru 11)
September	Labor Day (2), Friday the 13th (13), Oktoberfest-Germany (21 start))
October	Oktoberfest-Germany (thru 6), Columbus Day (14), Halloween (31)
November	Day of the Dead-Mexico (1-2), Diwali-India (1), Daylight Savings Ends (3), Veteran's Day (11), Las Vegas Grand Prix (21-23), Thanksgiving (28), Black Friday (29)
December	Cyber Monday (2), Christmas (25), NYE (31)

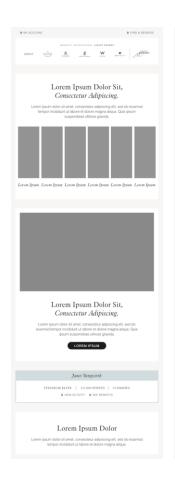


## **Content Planning**

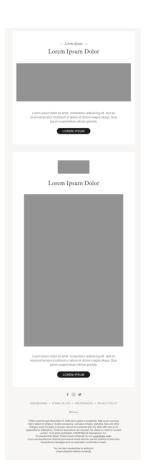
- Review monthly Core MAU submissions for inclusion in Lux.
- Introduce more regionally-targeted content, with a focus on MEA and APAC regions.
- Continue to use engagement metrics for previous campaign modules to determine keep/lose content types
- Continue high-performing inspirational content including:
  - New hotel openings
  - Hotel spotlights
  - Hotel and brand offers and events



## **Luxury MAU Master Template**





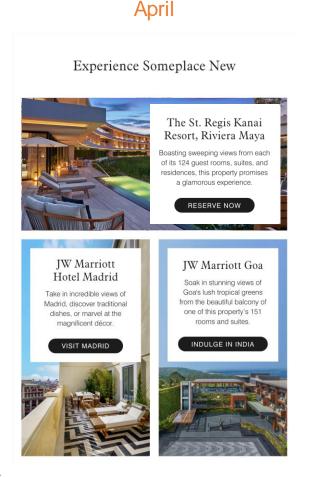


- Benefits of working from an approved master template:
  - Saves time designing each email since working from approved modules
  - Saves time coding each email since it is pre-coded
  - Saves time in QA'ing each email since it has already been tested and checked for major rendering errors
  - This time savings allows us to deploy emails faster
  - Going "outside" the template adds additional web production and QA time
- Each email is still checked for coding errors and QA'd prior to deployment, but most of these issues are resolved during the creation of the master template



## **Creative Treatments Introduced in 2023**

To keep content feeling fresh month to month, we introduced these new treatments:



#### July

LUXURY COLLECTION

#### Adventure Awaits[, Fname]



Celebrate Central Europe Royal Houses, Art, and Legacy.

» DISCOVER EUROPE

Cuisine, Wellness,

» DISCOVER JAPAN

Journey

Through Japan

and Tradition.



A Peruvian Adventure Desert, Sea, and

Ancient History.

» DISCOVER PERU

#### July







#### Just in Time for Summer

Discover our capsule collection of three exclusive prints designed in Vilebrequin's signature style and inspired by St. Regis' highly anticipated resort openings, The St. Regis Kanai Resort, Riviera Maya, The St. Regis Red Sea, and The St. Regis Los Cabos.

EXPLORE THE COLLECTION



### **Creative Treatments Introduced in 2023**

#### October

#### August



#### September







#### EDITION

#### The Artistry of Mixology Through Punch

Punch Room, the innovative bar concept, offers uniquely crafted punch cocktails complemented by personalized service in a cornivial environment. Discover how EDITION's award-winning teams in London, Barcelona, Shanghai, Madrid, Tampa, and Rome are reestablishing punch as a pioneering cocktail category.

» EXPLORE MORE







#### A Colorful Collaboration

The St. Regis Venice and Ginori 1735 recently unveiled "Giardino Ginori," a special takeover of the hotel's waterfront garden showcasing the Oriente Italiano collection. Crafted from ten vibrant colors, the collection symbolizes the synergistic fusion of East and West.

» VISIT VENICE



## **Creative Treatments Introduced in 2023**

#### October

## Experience the Unexpected At Our Award-Winning Properties.

November



#### Embark on an African Safari

Incredible experiences, meaningful connections, and deeply transformative moments lie at the heart of JW Marriott Masai Mara Lodge. Discover our 7-day itinerary for a rejuvenating journey.

» ADVENTURE AWAITS

#### Secrets for Stress-Free Travel

Miren Alós, a self-described visual storyteller, spotlights the wellness routines and rituals that keep travel connoisseurs grounded no matter where they are in the world.

» LEARN MORE



#### December



## [Savor] [Savour] a Taste of Thailand

The first W in Thailand, W Koh Samui remixes the region's iconic natural beauty with signature W features and amenities, dramatically reinventing resort island living. Follow newly announced Top Chef host, Kristen Kish, as she embraces boundless tranquility and enchanting island life.

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## **Creative Inspiration Seen In The Industry**

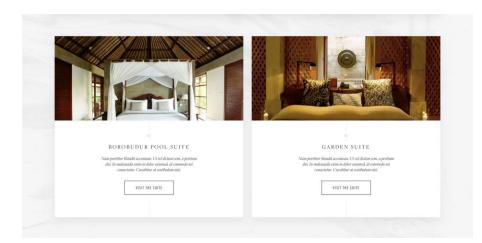
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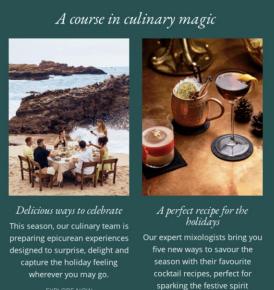
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- Ideas for 2024:
  - Introduce black sparingly
  - Smaller font sizes for more of an elegant feel
  - Thinner lines for more of an elegant feel









anytime, anywhere.





This season, our culinary tear preparing epicurean experier designed to surprise, delight capture the holiday feeling wherever you may go.

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## **MAU Creative Exploration & Look Ahead**

- Ideas for 2024:
  - Refreshed module ideas
  - Use the gray on the Lux
     landing page to introduce more
     color to our layouts
  - Is there an opportunity to expand the MBV color palate for Luxury MAU?

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ACCENT		
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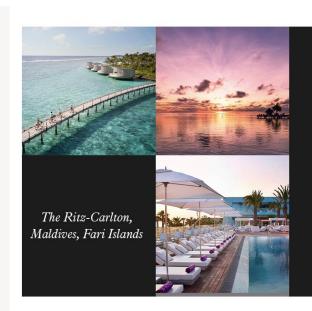
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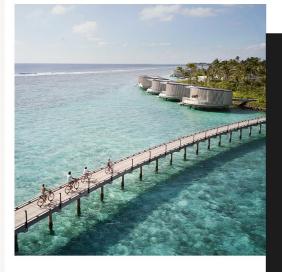
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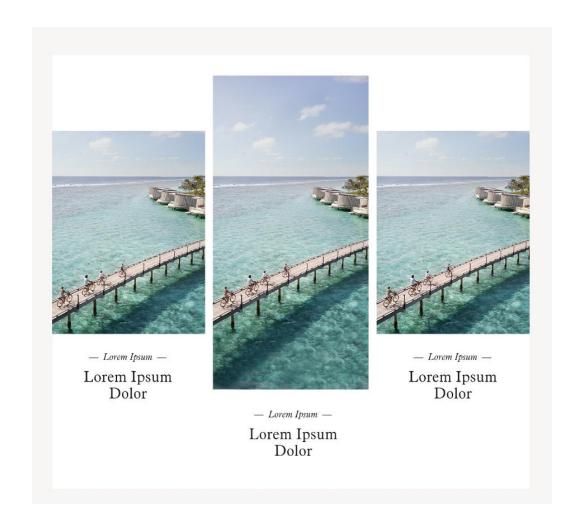
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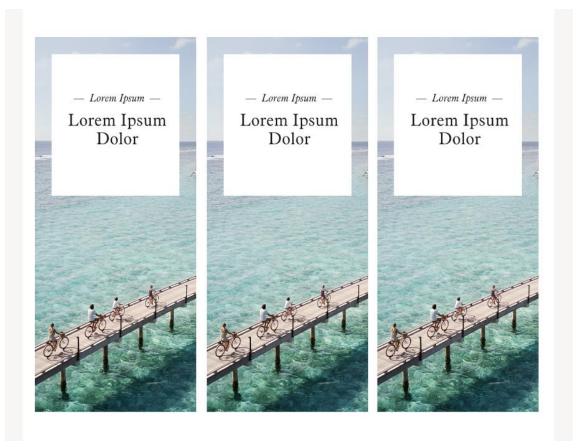
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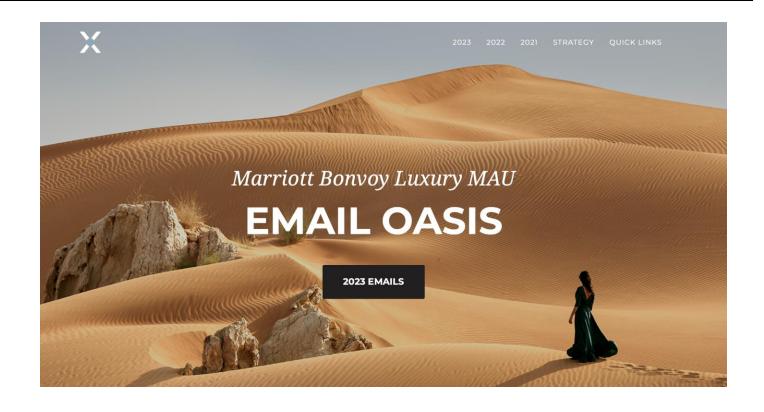
## **MAU Creative Exploration & Look Ahead**







## **Oasis**



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## **Campaign Strategies & Learnings**



## Lux MAU 2023 Learnings and Insights (through July)

- Avg. 1.9% CTR was 46% higher than other lux travel inspiration emails and 90% higher than Bonvoy YTD '23 CTR avg. of 0.9%
- Top performing themes included New Hotels which was a new May feature this year and February Romantic Escapes which was a top performer YoY. May generated a CTR of 2.2% and February 2.0%
- The next three top performing themes with a CTR of 1.9% were Summer Travel, Long Weekends and Bucket List travel
  - Summer travel continues to be a strong performer YoY along with Bucket list travel regardless if it is featured in Dec/Jan
- Consistent 6-across hero treatment was an established favorite among readers nearing 50% of clicks; now only used in hero to brand the Lux MAU campaign
- Consistent engagement each month from all luxury segments with the Account box (up to 35% of clicks)
- Offers drove up to 9% of clicks when promoted especially with Global Promo offers driving lift in rev/delivered
- New Hotel Openings, Brand Inspiration, and Yacht messages drove engagement across all segments when featured

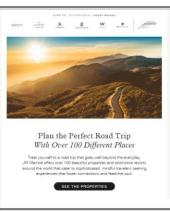


## Luxury MAU branded hero drove stronger engagement 5 out of 7 months in comparison to 2022

2022















January '22 26.3% | 0.50%

% of clicks | CTR

February '22 37.0% | 0.93%

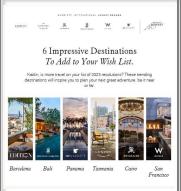
First time using 6-across brand feature as hero treatment

*March* '22 **18.1% | 0.30%** 

April '22 40.5% | 1.29% *May* '22 **18.0% | 0.42%** 

June '22 **34.1% | 0.69%**  July '22 35.5% | 0.85%

2023

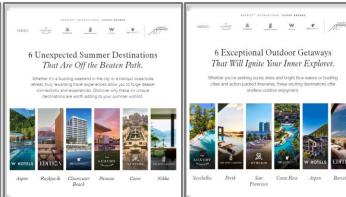












January '23 38.0% | 0.89%

February '23 50.9% | 1.28%

*March* '23 35.2% | 0.71%

*April '23* **30.8% | 0.71%** 

*May '23* 42.5% | 1.16%

June '23 45.7% | 1.08% July '23 **33.2% | 0.63%** 

## 2023 Segment Level Learnings and Insights (through July)

- 56% of L1 and 44% of L2A are non-US audiences, so content engagement trends have a regional bias compared to L2B and
   L3 where the make up for these segments are over 80% US audiences
  - L1 and L2A have a higher APAC and MEA presence
  - CTR on average ranges between 1-1.5% for these audiences whereas L2B/L3 are typically in the 2-3% range
- L1/L2A has shown to be more engaged with destinations such as Bali, Melbourne, Tasmania, Dubai and Berlin
- In comparison L2B/L3 has shown more engagement with destination content including Los Cabos, Bermuda, Costa Rica, Panama and Barcelona. Note: there are some destinations that appeal to all segments.
- L1/L2A show strong engagement with secondary modules including. Hotel Spotlights and Instagram modules located later in the email which shows they are clicking through to the bottom to find content that is of interest to them
- Moments and Loyalty content continues to resonate higher with L2B/L3 whereas offer content performance is varied



## Lux MAU 2024 Opportunities

- Continue to evolve and test into regional segment level strategies for L1 and L2A to support driving a lift in CTR
- Leverage 3P data to further support optimization and testing efforts across all segments
- Continue to leverage other initiatives to support driving a lift in engagement and financial KPIs
- Focus on creative testing across hero and secondary modules to determine which creative treatments resonate at a higher rate at the various segment levels
- Set internal team campaign goals for 2024: CTR (primary) and revenue (secondary)
- Assess impact of newly defined/scored luxury segments to determine any shifts in audience size and make-up



## **Luxury MAU Targeting Criteria**

### Luxury segmented members and non-members with an English language preference.

Luxury Segments Defined (Please Note: Plans to Update Criteria in 2024)

- Only Luxury (L1): Customers who only stay at Luxury brands
- Luxury Users High vs Low:
  - High Luxury Users (L2A): Luxury customers who also stayed in other brands in last 5yrs, but more than 50% at luxury brands
  - Low Luxury Users (L2B): Luxury customers who also stayed in other brands in last 5yrs; with less than 50% at luxury brands
- Redemption Only (L3): Customers who uses Luxury only through redemption stays



## **2024 Planning Dates**



## 2024 Kick-Off & Launch Dates

Campaign	Kick-Off Date	Launch Date
February Lux MAU	12/27/2024	2/15/2024
March Lux MAU	1/26/2024	3/14/2024
April Lux MAU	2/28/2024	4/17/2024
May Lux MAU	3/27/2024	5/16/2024
June Lux MAU	4/23/2024	6/13/2024
July Lux MAU	5/28/2024	7/18/2024
August Lux MAU	6/25/2024	8/15/2024
September Lux MAU	7/30/2024	9/19/2024
October Lux MAU	8/27/2024	10/17/2024
November Lux MAU	9/25/2024	11/14/2024
December Lux MAU	10/28/2024	12/19/2024



## **Thank You!**

January 8th, 2023



