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### **HMSHost Celebrates the Opening of Starbucks' new concept, Starbucks Evenings, at Washington Dulles International Airport**

*New Starbucks concept within Starbucks café offers chic European atmosphere and dining options including beer and wine for international travelers*



*Celebratory toast, left to right: Tom Fricke, President & CEO, HMSHost; Doug Satzman, Vice President, Branded Solutions, Starbucks; John Potter, CEO, Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority*

**Sterling, VA** — Global restaurateur [HMSHost](http://www.hmshost.com) celebrated today the grand opening of the very first airport location for Starbucks' latest concept, **Starbucks Evenings**, at Washington Dulles International Airport. HMSHost and Starbucks opened the first airport Starbucks over 20 years ago and have worked closely together to introduce Starbucks *Evenings*. Travelers in Dulles' international terminal will now be able to unwind in a welcoming and inviting atmosphere while enjoying a glass of hand-selected wine, a bottle of beer, or a cup of premium coffee or tea. The concept features a sophisticated new menu with savory bites, shareable small plates and irresistible desserts.

"With the help of Starbucks and HMSHost, we are delighted to offer travelers at Washington Dulles International Airport an appealing and unique food and beverage option," said Chris Browne, Vice President and Dulles Airport Manager. "The addition of Starbucks *Evenings* is particularly exciting and fitting for international travelers looking to relax before or after a lengthy flight."

Starbucks *Evenings* seeks to create a new occasion in which groups of varying size can relax and connect while engaging in intimate conversations. The experience created by this atmosphere is an ideal way for business travelers, vacationers, and individuals alike to spend time relaxing and dining in the terminal.

“Developing Starbucks *Evenings* has been a great way to extend the Starbucks Experience into the evening by offering a relaxing place to unwind over a hand-crafted cappuccino or a glass of wine,” said Doug Satzman, Vice President, Branded Solutions, Starbucks Coffee Company. “Working with longtime partner, HMSHost, to bring the *Evenings* concept to the Dulles Airport has been a natural progression of our relationship, and Starbucks is excited to see the *Evenings* concept in an airport for the first time.”

“HMSHost is very enthused to introduce the Starbucks *Evenings* concept and unveil it at Washington Dulles International Airport,” said Michael Jones, Vice President Business Development for HMSHost. “The new menu will appeal directly to discerning airport customers and the atmosphere will be a pleasant reprieve from the demands of international travel.”

Starbucks *Evenings*’ menu highlights include Rosemary and Brown Sugar Cashews, Crudités and Smoky Chipotle Hummus Dip, Bacon-Wrapped Dates with Balsamic Glaze, Truffle Mac and Cheese, Artichoke and Goat Cheese Flatbread, and Chocolate Fondue. The *Evenings* menu is available daily beginning at noon.

The international terminal at Dulles experiences 5.8 million enplanements yearly. HMSHost employs 304 associates in 14 restaurants at Washington Dulles International Airport.

**About HMSHost**

[HMSHost](#) is a world leader in creating dining and shopping for travel venues. HMSHost operates in more than 100 airports around the globe, including the 20 busiest airports in North America. The Company has annual sales in excess of \$2.7 billion and employs more than 34,000 sales associates worldwide. HMSHost is a part of Autogrill Group, the world’s leading provider of food & beverage and retail services for people on the move. With sales of over €5.8 billion in 2011, the Group operates in 35 countries and employs some 62,800 people. It manages over 5,300 stores in more than 1,200 locations worldwide. Visit [www.HMSHost.com](http://www.HMSHost.com) for more information. We can also be found on Facebook at [fb.com/HMSHost](https://www.facebook.com/HMSHost) and Twitter [@HMSHost](https://twitter.com/HMSHost).

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