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Casino CloseUP

foxwoods Resort Casino in Mashantucket, Conn., owned by the Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation, is now home to the \$700-million MGM Grand at Foxwoods. A stand-alone hotel, the MGM Grand at Foxwoods is connected to the existing Foxwoods Resort Casino by a pedestrian concourse. The 30-story property, which opened May 18, adds another 2 million square feet to the existing destination in the form of 825 guest rooms and suites, a 21,000-square-foot spa, a 4,000-seat Performing Arts Theater, casino and four restaurants. The hotel also offers another 115,000 square feet of meeting and convention space to Foxwoods, bringing the total available to 170,000 square feet.

The Innovation Group of Companies has, through its affiliate organizations, been involved at Foxwoods Resort Casino and with the Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation throughout the last decade. So it should be no surprise that The Innovation Group, Innovation Marketing and most recently Innovation Project Development (IPD) have each supported the tribe in the process leading to MGM Grand at Foxwoods.

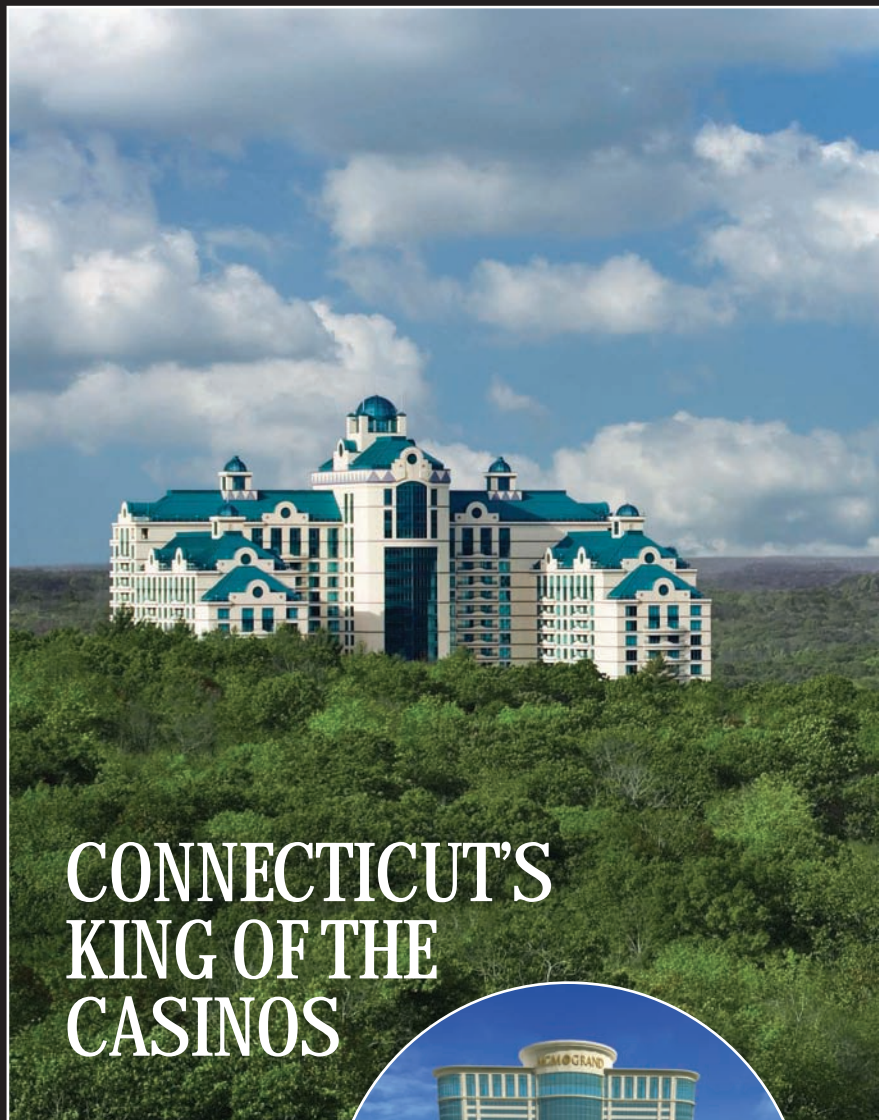
As the tribal council set out to master plan Foxwoods, The Innovation Group provided market assessments, forecasts and financial projections to assist in both planning and financing additions to the property. As a process emerged to determine the best approach to developing the tribal land where MGM Grand sits today, The Innovation Group supported the tribal council's selection process both through analyses of potential partners and through the participation of Steve Rittvo, chairman of the Innovation Group of Companies, on the executive oversight committee charged with planning the project.

Following the selection of MGM as partner for the project, Innovation Marketing stepped in to assist in positioning work for the expansion through focus group and consumer research efforts. This led the council to informed decisions on the business focus for MGM Grand, restaurant and amenity selections, and room FF&E choices.

As the construction stage of the project approached, IPD played an increasingly important role, with President Bob Kelly also participating on the executive oversight committee. IPD's goal for MGM Foxwoods Development was to help the overall team to complete this project on time and on budget. IPD worked directly with the owner's executive oversight committee to respond to specific items of quality control, cost impact and design coordination throughout the project. Ultimately, IPD wanted to help ensure that the wants and desires of Foxwoods were met in a timely and cost-effective manner, through construction observation, quality control and communications. The oversight also included problem solving in specific areas as requested directly by the executive oversight team.

Designed by Dallas, Texas-based Wilson & Associates, the new casino addition was designed to "bring the outdoors in," and reflects the beauty of the resort's natural surroundings through its exterior wall of windows.

MGM Grand's casino features a variety of 1,400 slot machines and 53 table games including Blackjack, Roulette, Craps, Spanish 21 and 3-Card Poker. Conveniently located directly off the lobby, the new casino features a palette of bright colors giving the space an exciting and vibrant look. Two high-stakes gaming areas are separated from the main casino via framed panels of colored glass,



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wire mesh and wood lattice, giving them a sense of privacy within the overall space. A bar in the center of the casino features a large fireplace complete with a large, central-lit vortex, which gives the space a dramatic sense of lighting. In addition, the casino bar features two, circular-shaped ultra lounges that can be rented out for private events and functions.

The centerpiece of MGM Grand at Foxwoods' new entertainment options are a 4,000-seat Performing Arts Theater with state-of-the-art acoustic capabilities and theater-style seating that assures every guest has the best seat in the house. Only 126 feet separates the front of the stage from the very last row. Intimate in scale and elegant in décor, the new Theater attracts some of the most coveted entertainment in the New England area, from off-Broadway shows to uproarious comedy acts to major headliners in the music industry.



STAYING IN STYLE

New celebrity chef restaurants and themed pavilions make MGM Grand at Foxwoods the hottest dining destination around. From tantalizing Italian cuisine to gourmet-on-the-go, every appetite will be satisfied within these enticing new venues. Acclaimed Chef Michael Schlow oversees the kitchen at Alta Strada, a restaurant that blends traditional Italian flair with modern elegance; and Tom Colicchio's Craftsteak features an extensive array of steaks and seafood while celebrating the flavors of seasonal ingredients sourced from small family farms and artisanal producers.

New York's famed Junior's Cheesecake, the first venue of its kind outside of New York State, accommodates guests for breakfast, lunch and dinner. The Market Place at MGM Grand offers an exciting culinary journey through six distinct dining experiences. An ideal spot for a late-night treat or a post-meal sweet, the Gelato Café serves more than 20 flavors of delectable Italian ice cream in addition to coffee drinks, pastries, specialty sandwiches and more.

MGM Grand at Foxwoods features 825 guest rooms and suites with cutting-edge technology that ensures home-on-the-road comfort and convenience. Contemporary in design, the rooms feature case goods in natural rosewood accented with antique bronze to create a warm, relaxing atmosphere. All accommodations feature household amenities including hairdryers, coffee makers, mini bars, in-room safes and 24-hour room service. Every room also is outfitted in the most up-to-date electronic capabilities, including Apple iHome clock radios, flat-panel TVs and wireless high-speed Internet access.

Meetings, conventions and special events are taken to new heights at MGM Grand at Foxwoods. The high-end meeting venues accommodate groups of all sizes in addition to major trade shows, special events and conventions. An expertly trained and experienced staff lends a personal touch to planning and executing events for all styles and tastes.

The 50,000-square-foot Ballroom is the largest hotel ballroom in the Northeast. Outfitted in a gold and amber color scheme designed to represent the outdoors, the Ballroom is modern, but natural. Chandeliers featuring colored crystal balls and rods create a contemporary abstract look, while the large arabesque carpet pulls all the elements of the space together.

A new level of luxury, wellness and pampering greets guests at the MGM Grand's 21,000-square-foot spa that references nature through the use of natural stones, woods and water features. Offering 12 treatment rooms, the spa features a distinct array of massages, body treatments and facials. Additional amenities include a swimming pool and men's and women's Jacuzzis complete with a deluge water feature.

Upon entering the spa lobby, guests are greeted by a water wall that evokes a sense of calm and tranquility. The aquatic theme continues in the spa's salon where a unique glass light fixture represents soothing water bubbles. In the spa's central reception area, a backlit stone box behind the desk complements the monolithic surfaces found throughout the space.

Eight cabanas surround the fan-shaped, 5,500-square-foot outdoor swimming pool and two whirlpool/hot tubs. Designed in off-white canvas, the 64-square-foot cabanas feature flat screen TVs, mini-bars and plush sectional indoor/outdoor seating. Comfortable aluminum mesh sling chaise lounges outfitted in sea foam green, bark brown and tan cushions provide seating around the pool's perimeter as well as in the shallow end of the pool.

To complement Foxwoods' wealth of shops and boutiques, MGM Grand features a high-end retail concourse offering everything from the latest Apple products to the hottest names in men's and women's apparel to fine jewelry and even MGM Grand mementos. Stores include Authorized Apple Reseller Store, Bally, dunhill and GMG Grand Logo Store. [NAC](#)

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CONGRATULATIONS ON THE OPENING
OF MGM GRAND AT FOXWOODS.

To all our friends at Foxwoods and in the Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation, we'd like to wish you great success on your latest resort. The Innovation Group of Companies is proud of our relationship with you and MGM Mirage.

