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WELCOME MEIZHOU DONGPO RESTAURANT TO LAS VEGAS**  
*Notable Chinese restaurant set to open first North American Flagship*

The Las Vegas dining scene is about to add its newest gem to the culinary scene: **Meizhou Dongpo**. Set to open its first location in Nevada and its third in the U.S., Meizhou will open at the Grand Canal Shoppes in early 2016. The Las Vegas location will serve as **the flagship for the brand in the U.S. boasting an impressive nearly 19,000 square feet** including the first lounge in the restaurant's history. The popular and highly regarded Chinese restaurant is a global brand distinguished by its sophisticated Sichuan fare that reflects the storied history of true Chinese culinary tradition.

"We are thrilled to welcome Meizhou Dongpo to Las Vegas and the Grand Canal Shoppes," said John Zilliken, senior general manager, Grand Canal Shoppes. "In a city with a more than 41 million tourists and a devoted and sophisticated local culinary scene, this dynamic and notable international power-house is well positioned for immediate success and acclaim. We look forward to a successful partnership and are excited for our guests to experience this extraordinary addition."

According to Wang Gang, president of Meizhou Dongpo, "Food is essentially a cultural and intellectual product that can and should be consumed and enjoyed. The charm of Chinese food should not be limited by any borders of nations."

**This is the third American opening of this highly regarded and prized 16-year-old Chinese restaurant chain with more than 100 outlets in China.** "Opening one of our restaurants in Las Vegas marks a momentous celebration and one we are very prideful for all to enjoy," he said.

Meizhou Dongpo will be located on the second level of Grand Canal Shoppes near Grimaldi's. For additional information and details, please visit [www.meizhou.com.cn](http://www.meizhou.com.cn).

***About Grand Canal Shoppes:** Located inside The Venetian | The Palazzo Resort-Hotel-Casino, the center boasts 160 specialty brands and world-class restaurants nestled around a charming and faithful reproduction of Venice's Grand Canal, complete with cobbled walkways, street side cafes and live entertainment. Signature brands including Nevada's only Barneys New York, Jimmy Choo, Diane von Furstenberg, Christian Louboutin, Dooney & Bourke, Hervé Léger and Swarovski, create an unparalleled retail environment that includes a star-studded line-up of restaurants headed by famous celebrity chefs: Wolfgang Puck's CUT, Emeril Lagasse's Delmonico Steakhouse and Table 10, Joachim Splichal's Pinot Brasserie, Mario Batali's OTTO Pizzeria, Buddy Valastro's Buddy V's and Carlo's Bakery, Yard Bird Southern Table & Bar and Gianpaolo Putzu's Canaletto. The center is also home to entertainment superstars, TAO Asian Bistro & Nightclub, and Lavo Italian Restaurant and Nightclub. For more information, visit [www.thegrandcanalshoppes.com](http://www.thegrandcanalshoppes.com)*

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