

MOONLIGHT NOODLE HOUSE

Date: December 2013
Location: Macao, PRC
Size: 5,000 SF
Description: Architecture and Interior Design

Sands Macao re-themed its popular Moonlight Night Market into the Moonlight Noodle House. The renovation created a significantly more dynamic and efficient space for the restaurant, which is especially convenient for the adjacent casino's clientele. Inspiration for the design came from both the new name of the restaurant and its cuisine.

Use of a traditional Chinese color palette of reds and golds—connoting good fortune in Chinese culture—creates a warm, inviting atmosphere. The exterior of the restaurant space is composed of screened “moon gates,” traditionally used in places of transition, to shield the patrons from outside traffic without disconnecting them from the location entirely.

Stone pathways and wood inserts give a tangible structure to the room's circulation, aiding in efficiency for both the customers and servers. In the center of the space, distinctive round lighting fixtures correspond to each phase of the moon, a motif that is repeated in the moon gates. The furniture has been custom-designed to complement the unique space and style. Windows of fretted glass opening into the kitchen offer diners glimpses of the food preparation, without disrupting the calm ambiance of the restaurant.

The alterations to the Moonlight Noodle House have revitalized its contribution to the guest experience, as part of a more contemporary and exciting resort destination.

