

Samoset Resort Presents Theme Packages for Summer 2006

Rockland ME -- The Samoset Resort, a AAA Four Diamond property on the Maine coast in Rockport is a destination in itself, offering luxurious seaside accommodations, full resort services, a par-70 championship golf course with ESPN Golf Schools program and gourmet dining in a 230-acre compound on the edge of Penobscot Bay. When guests add their diversion of choice -- from fly-fishing to sailing, shopping to massage -- with one of Samoset's packages, summer vacation planning is complete. The Samoset website (www.samosetresort.com) shows availability online and allows direct booking of reservations. Summer 2006 packages include:

Rod & Relaxation

This angler's escape offers fly-fishing for small-mouthed bass on secluded ponds, luring large-mouths on shady rivers or snaring stripers in the surf. Guides from Maine Outdoors supply all the equipment, from fishing rods to raingear, or guests are welcome to bring their own. Package includes accommodations and a half-day fishing trip. Rates start at \$338* per night.

Loons, Canoes & Ocean Views

Professional Maine Outdoors guides lead guests on wildlife-watching trips by canoe, to eye eagles, listen to loons and spot seals sunning on the shore. The program also supports conservation efforts in mid-coast Maine. Package includes accommodations and a half-day canoe trip. Rates start at \$278* per night.

Harbor History Tour

Breakwater Kayak provides guides and all necessary equipment to allow guests to experience mid-coast Maine from the vantage point of the schooners and lobster boats. This package includes a 2-hour guided sea kayak tour of the historic working harbor of Rockland, gliding along the shoreline to Owls Head Lighthouse and back past seals and shorebirds with a grand view of the famous Rockland Breakwater Lighthouse and the beautiful Camden Hills. Package includes accommodations and the 2-hour kayak tour. Rates start at \$238* per night.

Summer Sail-abration

Rockland is known as the Windjammer Capital of the World. This package puts guests on-board the schooner fleet for a daysail on dazzling Penobscot Bay. Package includes luxury accommodations, breakfast and two tickets for a schooner cruise the mid-coast and its charming harbors and lighthouses. Rates start at \$258*.

Cultural Arts

Samsoet opens the doors to Rockland's famed museums. This package includes accommodations plus two tickets to a choice of the Farnsworth Museum and Wyeth Center (showcasing the best of art in Maine including the Wyeth Family's collections), the Owl's Head Transportation Museum of antique airplanes and automobiles, the Maine Lighthouse Museum celebrating the icons of the Maine coast or the Center for Maine Contemporary Art. Rates start at \$276.*

Isn't It Romantic?

Samsoet sets the mood for romance so that proposals are delivered 'without a hitch.' (That's later.) The hotel staff scatters rose petals on the bed at turndown and includes champagne flutes etched with the couple's names to go with the complimentary bottle of chilled champagne. Package includes accommodations, candlelight dinner in the AAA Four Diamond award-winning restaurant, Marcel's and breakfast. How engaging! Rates start at \$392.*

Girlfriends' Getaway

Luxury resort accommodations for two nights, dinner in the Breakwater Cafe, a half-hour massage, and great "girl stuff" -- gift certificates for local shopping, champagne and chocolate-covered strawberries. Just add gossip! Rates start at \$198*.

The AAA Four Diamond Samsoet Resort crowns a 230 acre waterfront complex at the edge of Penobscot Bay. Its 178 guestrooms offer views of the Rockland Breakwater and Atlantic Ocean beyond or the 70-par golf course and new ESPN Golf Schools program is among those *Golf Digest* considers America's "10 most aesthetic." The resort has just completed a \$3 million guestroom upgrade to furnishings, bedding and baths. Resort amenities include WiFi access, a state-of-the-art Health Club, indoor pool, tennis, spa services, Breakwater Cafe and *Wine Spectator* Award-winning Marcel's Restaurant. For more information, visit www.samsoetresort.com or call 800-341-1650. The Samsoet is owned and managed by Ocean Properties, Ltd.

*Rates listed are per night, per room. Excluding taxes and gratuities. Based on availability. Advanced reservations are required.