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## **New rooms revealed at The Merrion Hotel, Dublin**

*October 2012* - Set opposite Government buildings, and just off St Stephen's Green, The Merrion is Dublin's finest five-star address.

The hotel is characterised by the homely charm of its interiors, carefully created by Alice Roden, one of Ireland's finest designers and an internationally renowned weaver. Alice came to originally design The Merrion from working on private houses, and as a result The Merrion has always felt more like a well-kept home than an hotel.

Fifteen years on from The Merrion's opening, Alice has redesigned bedrooms in both the Main House and the Garden Wing to freshen accommodation to the highest of standards.

In the Main House, the colours have been kept light throughout, with natural Irish fabrics and bespoke antiques creating an elegant and calm ambience, with cotton bedspreads complimenting fine wools and linens.

The Garden Wing rooms are intended as true retreats from city life. A palette of soft blues and pale grays is inspired by Paul Henry's Irish landscapes, one of which hangs at the foot of The Merrion's main staircase. Meanwhile, armchairs are upholstered with soft LeLievre linen and cotton cordoroy, each with its own Beacon Hill Paisley wool cushion – and each a true copy of the hand woven Paisley brought to Ireland from Kashmir in the 1700s.

As such, these new bedrooms are havens of Irish style, carefully matching quality materials and tradition, and perfectly fitting for the next chapter of The Merrion's story.

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**About The Merrion**

The Merrion stands directly opposite Government Buildings in the heart of Dublin city centre. On the doorstep is Upper Merrion Street, where Government Buildings, The National Gallery and The Natural History Museum are located. A short walk leads to the adjacent "golden mile" of lively pubs, shops and restaurants dotted around St. Stephen's Green. Grafton Street is a leisurely stroll away for all the latest designer shops. The Merrion is a member of *The Leading Hotels of the World*.