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### **Hotel Felix Chicago Selected as TripAdvisor GreenLeader *Chicago's First Green Hotel Recognized by World's Largest Travel Site for Environmental Efforts***

**CHICAGO** (May 2, 2013) – Hotel Felix Chicago (<http://www.hotelfelixchicago.com>) is pleased to announce it has been selected as a TripAdvisor® GreenLeader™.

TripAdvisor, the world's largest travel site, developed the program to help green-minded guests identify eco-friendly hotels. Located in Chicago's River North neighborhood, Hotel Felix (111 W. Huron St.) is Chicago's first eco-friendly and Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design™ (LEED) Silver certified hotel.

TripAdvisor designed this innovative program in partnership with U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's ENERGY STAR program, the U.S. Green Building Council and the United Nations Environment Programme. To qualify for the program, Hotel Felix had to pass a series of requirements, including having a towel and linen re-using program, using energy-efficient light bulbs, recycling, tracking energy usage and educating staff and guests on green practices.

"TripAdvisor GreenLeaders are leading the hospitality industry in making efforts to improve their environmental footprint," said Jenny Rushmore, director of responsible travel at TripAdvisor. "We greatly applaud these accommodations and are pleased to share their eco-friendly practices with our online audience of more than 200 million travelers."

Travelers can utilize the GreenLeader program to identify accommodations on TripAdvisor that are environmentally-friendly and view a list of green practices for each property in the program.

"As Chicago's first eco-friendly hotel, we are ecstatic to be selected as a TripAdvisor GreenLeader," said George Jordan, area general manager of Hotel Felix Chicago. "We're thrilled to be part of a program that highlights our green efforts to TripAdvisor travelers. It is a tremendous honor to earn this title and we are pleased to receive such recognition."

To learn more about Chicago's premier eco-chic boutique hotel please visit [www.hotelfelixchicago.com](http://www.hotelfelixchicago.com).

### **More about Hotel Felix**

As Chicago's first hotel designed to meet LEED Silver certification, Hotel Felix (111 W. Huron) delivers an enriching experience that not only benefits the guests, but the environment as well. Hotel Felix opened in April 2009 after an extensive redevelopment of a 1926 building using organic materials and renewable resources. The 225-room boutique hotel is conveniently located just steps from the Magnificent Mile and The Loop, surrounded by many of Chicago's renowned attractions, popular restaurants, bars and world-class entertainment.

For more information and reservations, please visit [www.hotelfelixchicago.com](http://www.hotelfelixchicago.com) or call 312-447-3440 or toll-free 877-848-4040. To learn more about the latest happenings at Hotel Felix, please visit their blog, Happy Naturally ([www.happynaturally.com](http://www.happynaturally.com)) and join them on Facebook and Twitter at [www.facebook.com/hotelfelix](http://www.facebook.com/hotelfelix) and [www.twitter.com/hotelfelix](http://www.twitter.com/hotelfelix).

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