



## **Drugan Hired as General Manager of The Eddy Taproom & Hotel in Golden, Colorado**

**Denver, Colo. – July XX, 2020** – Tom Luersen, president of CoralTree Hospitality, today announced that John Drugan has been hired as the general manager of The Eddy Taproom & Hotel in Golden, Colorado. The 49-room boutique hotel is scheduled to open summer 2021.

“We’re excited to welcome Drugan back to Colorado,” added Luersen. “We are thrilled to have him join the CoralTree family and look forward to working together on bringing the vision of The Eddy to life.”

Drugan joins the CoralTree team after serving as the general manager at The Historic Cavalier Hotel and Beach Club in Virginia Beach, Virginia where, under his leadership, the hotel’s brand standard score and guest satisfaction scores grew to the top 10 in the Autograph Hotel portfolio. Prior to moving to the east coast, Drugan was the director of operations at the Madeline Hotel & Residence’s-Auberge Resorts Collection in Telluride, Colorado. He was responsible for all operations at the Madeline and implemented several strategies that improved property performance. He has an extensive background in food and beverage management positions across several hotels and resorts including Ponte Vedra Beach Resorts in Ponte Vedra, Florida and Four Seasons Hotels and Resorts.

“This is an exciting time to be joining the CoralTree team,” said Drugan. “Golden is an up-and-coming, vibrant community and I’m looking forward to creating a new distinctive experience for guests and locals to enjoy at The Eddy.”

Drugan received his associate degree in culinary arts and bachelor’s degree in food and beverage from Johnson & Wales University in North Miami, Florida. He also is a Court of Master certified level II sommelier.

The Eddy Taproom & Hotel will invite guests and locals alike to connect with one another and the surrounding natural beauty of Golden when it opens next year. Set on the site of the old Rocky Mountain Fire Brick Works, The Eddy will feature four-stories that capture the look and feel of the original historic and industrial exterior. The property’s location is ideal spot for intimate events, exploring the town’s charming offerings and nearby outdoor adventures. The Eddy will feature several amenities including The Eddy Food Truck with BBQ and shakes, an outdoor lawn with weekly activities, specialty drinks and brews found only at The Eddy Taproom and more.

Launched in December 2018, CoralTree Hospitality Group is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Los Angeles based Lowe, a real estate investment, management and development firm. Colorado-based CoralTree delivers distinctive, memorable experiences that celebrate the surroundings, culture and community of each property. CoralTree was named among the top 20 hotel management companies in the U.S. after only one year of operation by Hotel Business magazine. The company currently provides hospitality and asset management services to 13 hotels and resorts in the United States and Mexico. The collection includes independent, branded and soft-branded properties such as Terranea Resort on the Southern California coast, Vivo Resorts in Mexico, Hotel Lincoln in Chicago, Hotel Vitale in San Francisco, Sunriver Resort in Oregon and Ptarmigan Inn in Steamboat Springs, Colo. The company also is overseeing the creation of The Eddy Hotel in Golden, Colo. which is scheduled to open in 2021. For more information on CoralTree, visit [www.CoralTreeHospitality.com](http://www.CoralTreeHospitality.com).

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