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CONSUMER: Lodging

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Reasons for this report

✓ Our analysis of the most recent weekly China and Europe lodging results

International hotels' RevPAR last week: China +62% y/y (+9% vs. 2019), Europe +43% y/y (+12% vs. 2019)

China: Per STR for the week ending February 18th, hotel RevPAR in China in local currency was +62.1% vs. +61.6% y/y in the prior week. Last week's RevPAR was up against a +14.0% y/y comparable result in 2022 and vs. +54.0% in the prior week. Versus 2019, RevPAR was +8.8%, better than the +1.3% in the prior week's result.

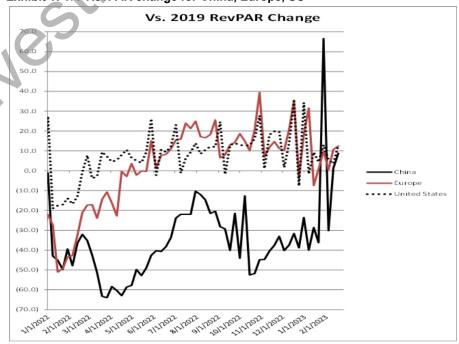
 Last week's result, on a clean comp, were a significant improvement from those of 2022 as it looks like travel in China is finally starting to open up.

Europe: RevPAR in Europe in Euros was +42.7% y/y vs. +65.4% in the prior week. Last week's RevPAR was up against an +191.5% comparable result in 2022 and +162.7% in the prior week. Versus 2019, RevPAR was +12.5%, a small improvement from the +10.7% in the prior week.

U.S.: Overall U.S. RevPAR was +13.5% y/y, down from the prior week's result of +18.9% y/y. Versus 2019, RevPAR was up +12.9%.

As we get further into the quarter, we are beginning to see the easiest of the y/y Omicron comps fade (RevPAR +13.5% last week vs. +20-30% weekly for most of 2023 so far). Because of the Omicron comp, we still continue to see upper chain scales significantly outperforming the lower-end (early to mid-week Upper Upscale RevPAR up ~35% and Luxury and Upscale up ~25% y/y).

Exhibit 1: Y/Y RevPAR change for China, Europe, US



Source: STR, Truist Securities Research

RevPAR detail for week ending February 18th vs. trailing 28 days (see charts at end of note for graphical representations):

China (local currency):

- RevPAR was +62.1% y/y for the week ending February 18th, lower than the +75.8% for the trailing 28 days.
- ADR was +14.4% y/y for the week ending February 18th, higher than the +7.0% for the trailing 28 days.
- Occupancy was +41.7% y/y for the week ending February 18th, lower than the +64.3% for the trailing 28 days.

Europe (in Euros):

- RevPAR was +42.7% y/y for the week ending February 18th, lower than the +66.8% for the trailing 28 days.
- ADR was +12.6% y/y for the week ending February 18th, lower than the +18.8% for the trailing 28 days.
- Occupancy was +26.8% y/y for the week ending February 18th, **lower than** the +40.4% for the trailing 28 days.

EBITDA and rooms exposure by region:

EBITDA: Hyatt (H, Buy), InterContinental (IHG, NR), and Marriott (MAR, Hold) are among the Lodging C-corps that have the greatest exposure to Europe and Asia. From Europe, MAR generates approximately 15% of EBITDA, IHG 15%, Wyndham (WH, Buy) less than 5%, H roughly 5%, and Hilton (HLT, Hold) 10% each. Of these companies, H and MAR have the greatest exposure to Asia (~10-20% of EBITDA). HLT is approximately 10%. Each of the other companies generates 5% to 10% of EBITDA from the Asia-Pacific region. Following the Apple Leisure Group acquisition, H has a relatively high ~25% exposure to the Americas ex-US/Canada.

• In a normalized environment, Greater China inclusive of Macau and Hong Kong generally represents half of the Asia-Pacific EBITDA from the C-corps.

Rooms (as of 4Q21; figures may not round to 100%):

- CHH:
 - Domestic: 79%Asia-Pacific: 4%
 - Europe/Middle East: 9%Latin America & Canada: 8%
- · H (includes owned/leased hotels):
 - Americas ex-all inclusives: 57%
 - o Asia-Pacific: 18%
 - o Europe/Africa/Mid East/SW Asia ex-all inclusives: 12%
 - o Americas ALG + Ziva/Zilara: 9%
 - o Europe ALG: 4%
- HLT:
 - US: 70%Americas: 6%Europe: 9%
 - Middle East/Africa: 3%Asia Pacific: 12%
 - Other hotels, likely to be converted to a brand, with no geography noted: 0.3%
- IHG:
 - Americas: 57%EMEAA: 25%
 - Greater China: 18%
- · MAR (ex-timeshare):
 - o North America: 65%
 - o Europe: 9%
 - Middle East/Africa: 4%
 - Asia Pacific: 18%
 - Caribbean/Latin America ("CALA"): 4%
- WH:
 - o US: 61%
 - o Canada: 5%
 - Greater China: 19%
 - Europe/Middle East/Africa: 8%
 - Latin America: 4%

o Rest of Asia: 4%

Exhibit 2: Y/Y RevPAR change for China, Europe, US

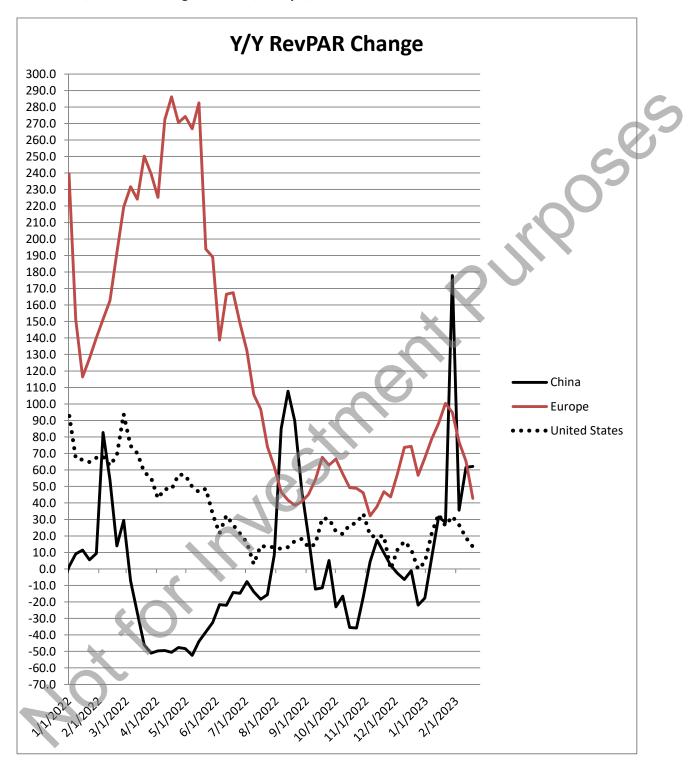


Exhibit 3: Y/Y Occupancy change for China, Europe, US

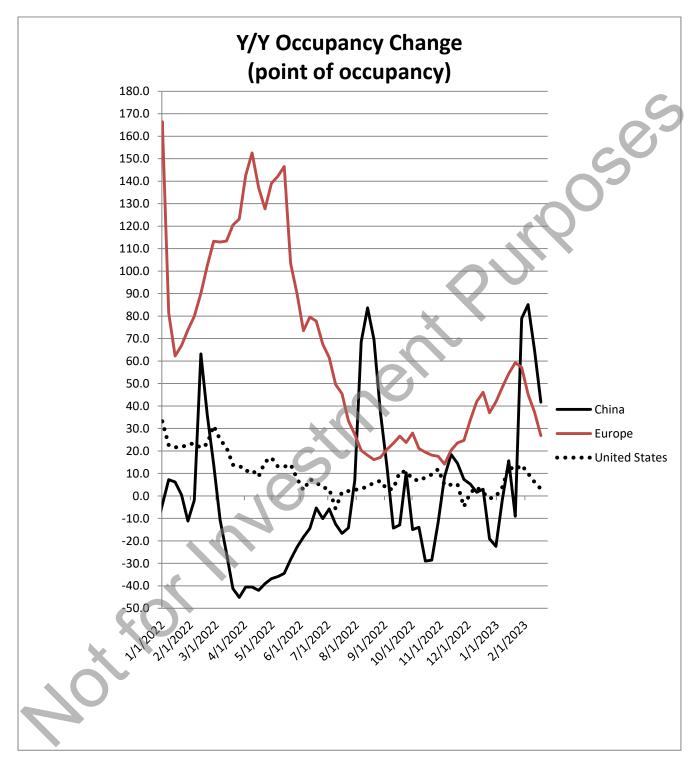


Exhibit 4: Absolute Occupancy % for China, Europe, US

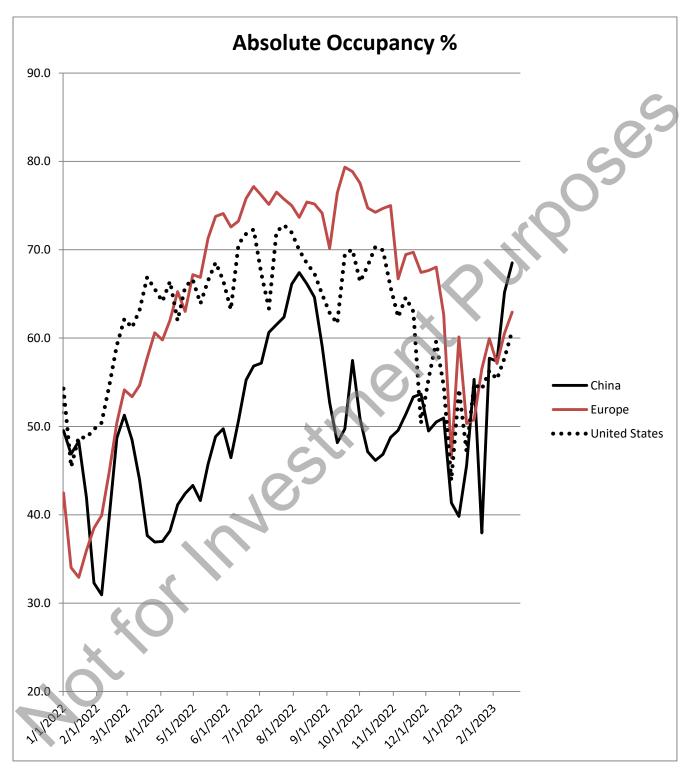
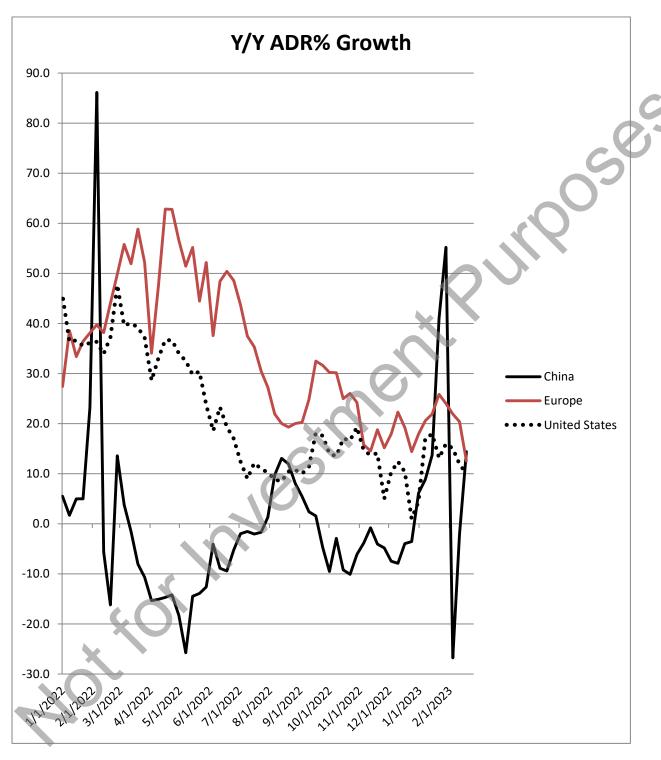


Exhibit 5: Y/Y ADR % change for China, Europe, US



H: Valuation and Risks

Our price target of \$145 for H is derived by applying a 13.8x target EV/EBITDA multiple (a blended average of the industry multiples for each business segment) to our estimate for 2024 EBITDA.

Downside risk: lodging recovery takes longer than expected. Planned dispositions take longer than expected. Material labor issues to owned hotels. Regional risks to the Caribbean including material new competitive supply growth. H pipeline growth slower than expected. Apple Leisure Group underperforms Hyatt's guidance.

HLT: Valuation and Risks

We apply a blended multiple of 16.8x (11.5x for Owned/leased and 17.0x for Managed/franchised) to our 2024 adjusted EBITDA estimate to derive a price target of \$160. This multiple is above the high end of the historical range of 10x-16x.

Risks to our rating and price target:

Upside risks include: Higher than expected pipeline growth, material RevPAR growth (macroeconomic improvement beyond expectations), material market share gains.

Downside risks include: Growth trajectory could disappoint. Pipeline growth could either slow down or projects scheduled for construction could be canceled, which would diminish system growth for the firm and disappoint investors.

MAR: Valuation and Risks

Our \$205 price target is based on a 16.7x blended multiple on our 2024E EBITDA. In the parts, we assign a 13.0x multiple of EBITDA to the Owned segment and 17.0x fees EBITDA (the fees EBITDA also includes credit card branding fees, a 10x multiple business) to the managed/franchised business. The multiple is towards the higher end of the historical range of 9-18x.

Risks to our rating and price target:

Upside Risks: Significant U.S macroeconomic improvement results in large recovery in transient corporate and group/convention demand. Owned assets sell for premium prices relative to MAR expectations. Supply growth is stronger than expectations. Consolidation in the lodging industry benefits MAR.

Downside Risks: Deep macroeconomic recession. Geopolitical, inflation, and policy risks negatively impact lodging demand. Inability to grow pipeline in line with Street expectations.

WH: Valuation and Risks

Our price target of \$96 for WH is based on a 15.0x multiple (in line with portfolio quality/RevPAR relative to peers) of our 2024 EBITDA estimate.

Risks to our rating and price target: Slowdown in development opportunities. Macro demand/pipeline headwinds.

Companies Mentioned in This Note.

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Hilton Worldwide Holdings Inc. (HLT, \$143.91, Hold, C. Patrick Scholes)
Marriott International, Inc. (MAR, \$170.59, Hold, C. Patrick Scholes)
Wyndham Hotels & Resorts, Inc. (WH, \$76.56, Buy, C. Patrick Scholes)
InterContinental (IHG, NR)

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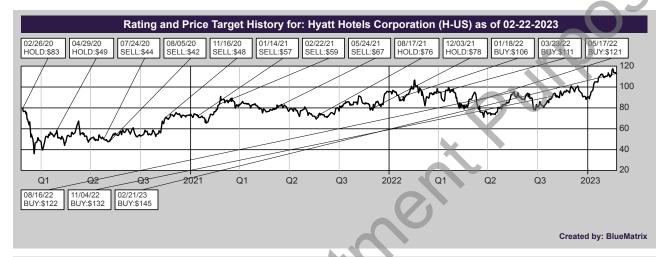
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