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## **100 years of history**

The Starhotels Savoia Excelsior Palace is 100 years old today and definitely does not show its age.

Totally renovated in 2009, it has returned to its former splendor, whilst maintaining the characteristics that made it a preferred place of hospitality for kings, diplomats, intellectuals and cultured travelers.

Designed by Austrian architect Ladislaus Fiedler in 1910, the Savoia Excelsior Palace was inaugurated on June 22, 1911 during the voyage of the Transatlantic Thalia from the port of Trieste, on the same day that George V was crowned in Westminster Abbey.

A highly eventful day, for a hotel born under a lucky star.

From that moment on the Starhotels Savoia Excelsior Palace became "the most impressive and luxurious hotel of the Austro-Hungarian Empire". As the press described the palace at the time.

Reopened in June 2009 after almost three years of restoration work, on this occasion it played host to the foreign ministers at the G8 meeting, confirming its role as a place that houses history.

Elegant and scenographic, the Starhotels Savoia Excelsior Palace in the heart of Trieste, overlooks the Riva del Mandracchio, with an incomparable view of the bay and the famous Miramare Castle.

The restoration work has maintained the original style of the nineteenth century construction, adding comfort and technology. The result is a sophisticated and inviting hotel that remains faithful to the "richness of finishes and inlaid marble," as written by the local newspaper "Il Piccolo" in 1911. The essence of marvel and charm has been living here for 100 years.