

ROSEWOOD



JUAN CARLOS CARDONA **MANAGING DIRECTOR, ROSEWOOD MANDARINA**

Rosewood Mandarinina, the majestic force of nature, is nestled along the luminous coast of Riviera Nayarit. A place to find a long-lost dialogue with the natural world connecting people to the communal energy of Mandarinina. As Managing Director, Juan Carlos Cardona Aquino, brings nearly two decades of international hospitality experience to the role. Known for crafting exceptional guest experiences and overseeing high-performing teams, Juan Carlos built his career across Europe, the Middle East, the Caribbean and the Americas, holding leadership positions that span food and beverage, guest services and general management.

Before joining Rosewood, Juan Carlos served as General Manager of Banyan Tree Mayakoba and held senior roles with Four Seasons, Baha Mar, and other leading hotel groups. A seasoned hotelier fluent in Spanish, English and French, he began his career as a *maitre d'* before rising through the ranks — a journey that continues to inform his thoughtful, hands-on leadership style. Juan Carlos holds a degree in hospitality and tourism management, as well as an Associate of Science in Culinary Arts and Restaurant Management.

Having overseen the opening of Rosewood Mandarinina in Mexico's Riviera Nayarit, Juan Carlos now guides the property's ongoing operations, ensuring its vision of connecting guests to the region's rich Indigenous culture and megadiverse natural setting.