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For Nick, David and Justine from Elegant Resorts' Space Team, the dream of space travel is one step closer to reality. In January, they attended the inaugural Virgin Galactic Accredited Space Agent (ASA) Forum at Philadelphia's National Aerospace Training and Research (NASTAR®) Center, along with ASAs from 14 other countries all hand-selected and trained by Virgin Galactic.

Our team experienced the closest thing possible to a sub-orbital spaceflight on a simulated trip to space in NASTAR's Space Training Simulator, achieving G-forces upwards of 3Gs during take-off and re-entry simulation, and giving them valuable Virgin Galactic product knowledge.

Nick said 'I always like to offer my clients first-hand experience, and thanks to NASTAR Center's amazing sub-orbital spaceflight simulation I'm now able to describe to my clients what their trip to space will be like and offer them the same experience so they can try before they buy!'

Following the Forum, the ASAs continued on to New York for a private unveiling of Virgin Galactic's spacecraft models. During the history-making event, Virgin Group Founder Sir Richard Branson and legendary aerospace designer and winner of the Ansari X PRIZE, Burt Rutan, revealed the new designs for SpaceShipTwo and its launching aircraft, WhiteKnightTwo. Sir Richard Branson acknowledged the efforts of all ASAs who are serving as space-travel ambassadors as well as the worldwide sales force for his product.

Virgin Galactic's test flights are due to commence later this year for approximately 12-18 months. Register at www.elegantresorts.co.uk/spaceclub for further updates or call the Elegant Resorts Space Team on 01244 897 525, or email them at space@elegantresorts.co.uk

