

# Green giant takes up home in resort



**Festive spirit:** Philea Resort staff (from left) Noor Nabilah Mahmood, Rohani Romli, Rosmarliana Manja and Ridzuan Mohd Hassan (on ladder) decorating the 'Green' Christmas tree in Malacca yesterday.

**MALACCA:** Philea Resort and SPA in Ayer Keroh is not missing out on the Yuletide spirit in Malacca.

The resort unveiled its 9m-tall "Go Green" giant conifer tree made of mineral water bottles.

The tree is currently being displayed at the resort lobby, bedecked with sparkling red, gold and silver ornaments.

It took about eight days to complete the tree.

The resort's Go Green effort was also injected into its Christmas decoration piece in a bid to encourage resort staff in applying the reducing, reusing and recycling concept in creative ways during the festive season.

"We wanted to showcase our continuous effort to recycle waste in a series of environment-friendly initiatives," said Connie Chin, the resort's Director of Marketing Communications.

General manager Ronald Chong let off a confetti canon to mark the official tree-lighting ceremony.

The tree will be illuminated using LEDs during the night to save energy.

In addition to the Go Green effort, the resort is also collecting ring pulls from aluminium tins to help the Prosthesis Foundation in Thailand.

One artificial limb is made up of 3,000 rust-free ring pulls.

The resort hopes that the 10kg ring pulls target could be achieved by the end of next year, to provide a better life to the disabled.

The resort has lined up a series of exciting Facebook contests and food promotions for this Christmas.

The green Christmas tree will remain lit daily at the resort lobby until new year.