Maximizing Revenue For City Hotel

Revenue Optimization Strategy 2017-2018

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1. Dataset Overview

"What are we examining?"



Dataset Overview

- **Source**: City Hotel Booking System
- **Time Frame:** July 2015 Aug 2017
- Columns: 119,390 rows & 36columns capturing various facets of a booking, including guest details, stay duration, booking status, and financials.

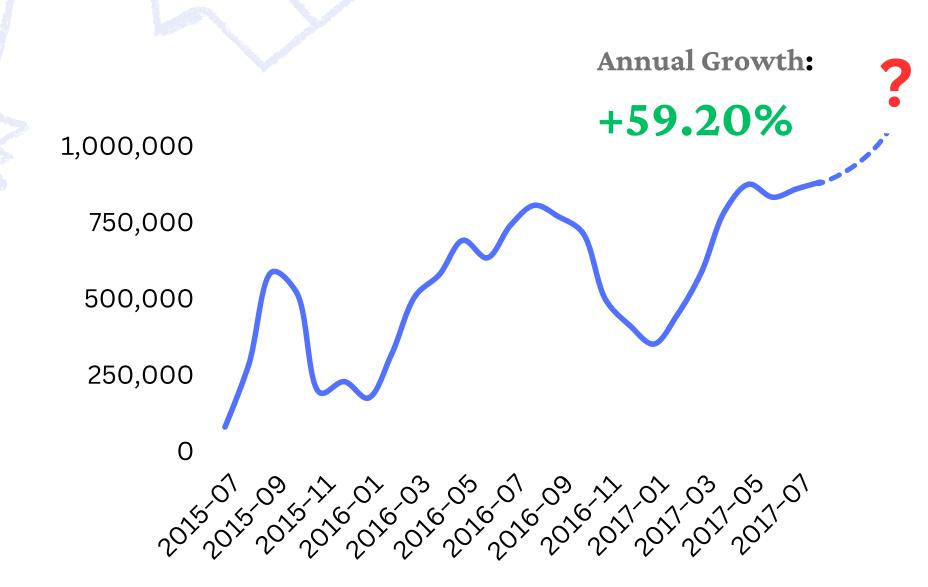


Key Features of the Dataset:

- Booking Status ('is_canceled'): Indicates whether a booking was canceled or not. This is critical feature, especially when analyzing how to reduce cancellations.
- **Guest Details**: Information about the guests, such as 'adults', 'children', and 'babies', allows for detailed customer segmentation.
- **Booking Details:** Columns like 'lead_time', 'arrival_date', and 'stay nights' provide insights into guest booking behaviors
- Financials: The 'total_rate' columns gives the revenue generated from each booking

2. Revenue Overview

"Where do we stand?"





Key Metrics (Year 2*)

- Total Revenues: \$8m (+59.20%)
- Total Bookings: 23,745 (+28.21%)
- Total Cancellations: 17,810 (+34.49%)
- Average Cancellation Rate: 42.86% (+0.17%)

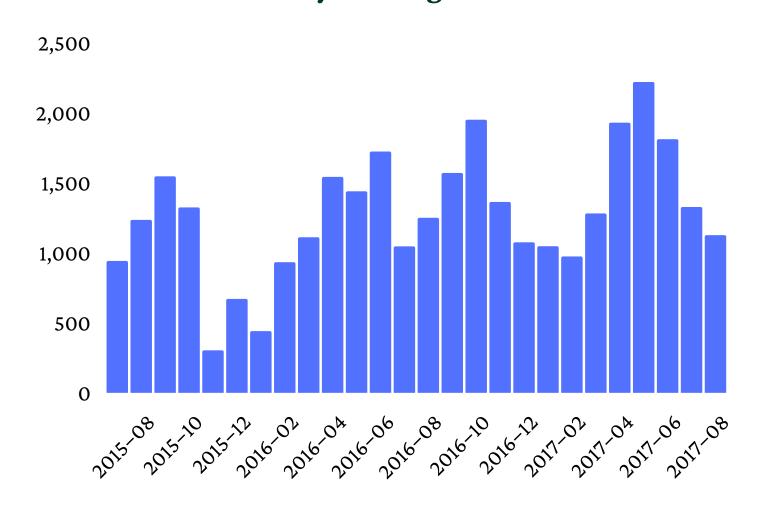
Note: While both revenues and the corresponding number of bookings have seen an uptrend, there has been a rise in cancellations as well, which aligns with typical industry patterns. Nonetheless, it's noteworthy that the average cancellation rate has experienced a marginal uptick

^{*} The key metrics displayed represent aggregate figures for Year 2 (the period from August 2016 to August 2017), along with their growth rates compared to Year 1 (the previous year spanning from July 2015 to July 2016)

3. Identifing the Business Challenge

"How can we optimize revenues for August 2018 and beyond?"

Monthly Booking Cancellation



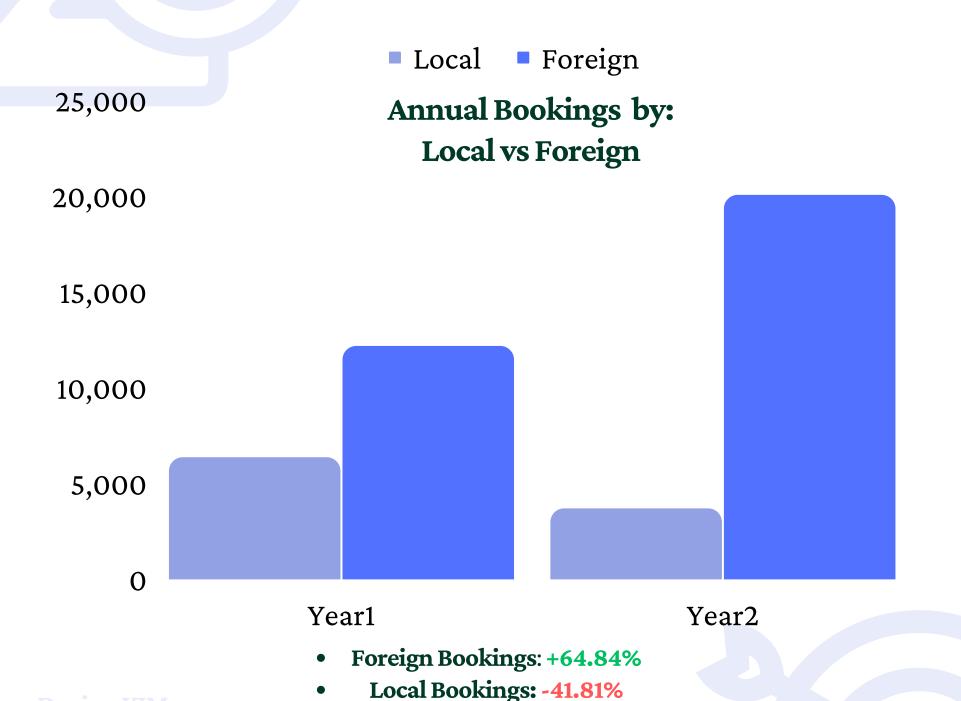
"Reduce Booking Cancellations"

The Importance of Addressing Cancellations:

- Cancellations represent potential revenue loss.
- High cancellation rates can indicate underlying issues with the booking process, customer satisfaction, or market targeting.

4. Customer Segmentaion

"Who are our customers and who tends to cancel bookings?"





64.9% Canceled



- Median Lead time: 94.5 Days
- Average Nights Stayed: 2.5 nights
- Average Total Spent per booking: \$204.2



26.9% Canceled



- Median Lead time: 66.0 Days
- Average Nights Stayed: 3.2 nights
- Average Total Spent per booking: \$343.5

Zomming In: Foreign Guests

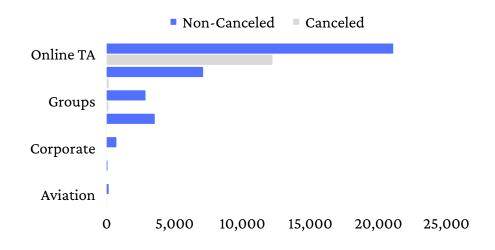
A deep dive into a key customer segment to target.

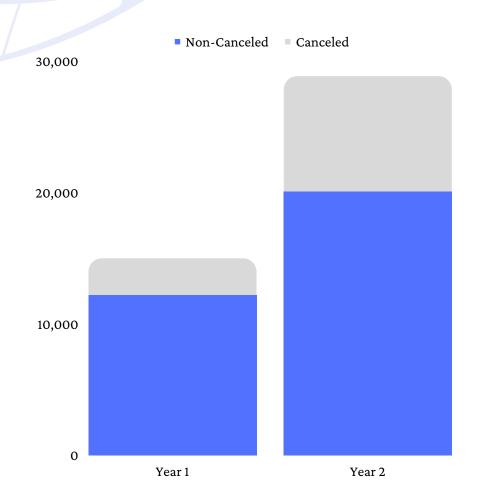
Note: The number of bookings from foreign guests has nearly doubled over the past year. However, a deeper dive into the data shows that the guest groups "Couples" and "Family" have experienced a significant rise in cancellation rates. Additionally, while online travel agencies (TAs) like Bookings.com and Agoda are the predominant booking channels, they too have seen a notable surge in cancellations, despite the overall increase in bookings."

Guest Group Type

Non-Canceled Canceled Couples Other

Market Segmentation



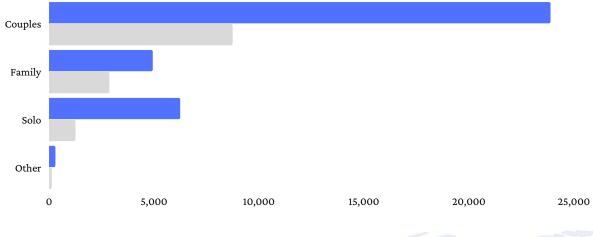


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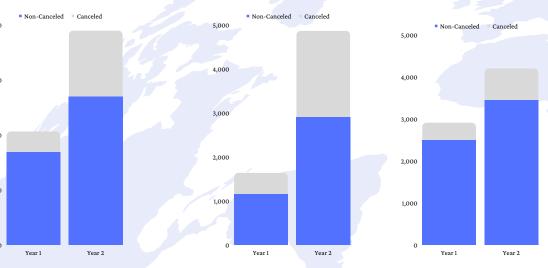
Cancellation Rates:

• **Year1:** 18.77%

• Year2: 30.50%





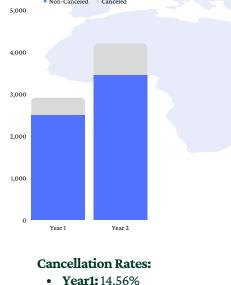


• Year2: 40.22%



Guest Group Type = Couples

• Year2: 30.75%



• Year2: 17.91%



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• Year2: 39.80%

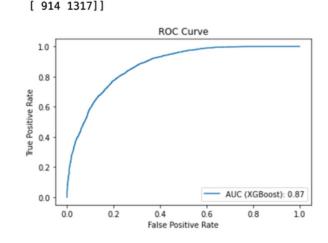
5. Predicting Cancellations

Presenting our machine learning algorithm for predicting booking cancellations.

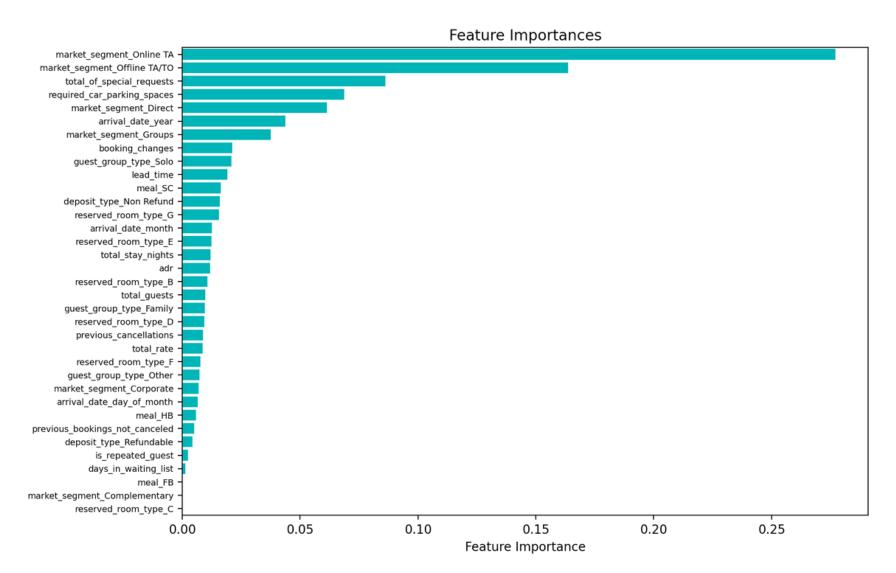
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Classification Report (XGBoost)



Feature Importances (XGBoost)

Recommendations & Conlusion

"What's our takeaway?"

1. Objective



Foreign guests, especially couples and families who book via OTAs, should be our primary focus.

2. Insight Gathering



We need to investigate the services offered to these groups and determine if they have specific needs. Analyzing reviews from these guests might provide insights.

3. Implementation Plan



Consider launching promotions tailored to these guests or implementing more nuanced marketing strategies on the OTAs they use.

Booking Dashboard

DASHBOARD | HOTEL BOOKINGS Total Revenue Total Bookings Total Cancellations Cancellation Rate \$18.65M 16,038 booked 37,361 canceled 30.03% Month of Arrival Date Month of Arrival Date Month of Arrival Date Month of Arrival Date Guest Number per Booking Top Guest Group Repeated Guest % Top Guest Origin Type Couples 3.18% Foreign 2.0 guests # Stayed Nights Top Booked Room Type Top Meal Type Car Parking Request %

Previous Cancellation %

2.19%

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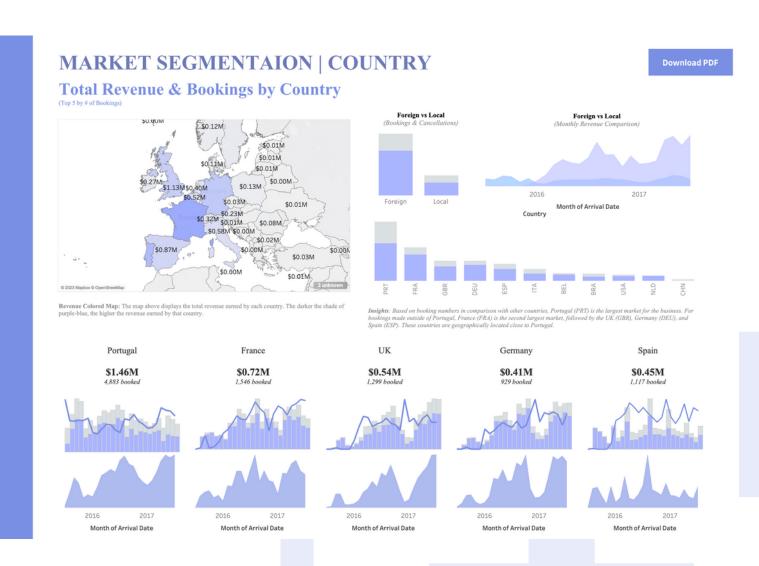
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Hotel Booking Dashboard

Top Selected Deposit Type

No Deposit

Top Booking Channel



Main Stakeholder:

Marketing Team

Business Development Team,

Market Segmentation