

Southern Ocean Lodge wins Hotel of the Year, Tatler Travel Awards 2009

Southern Ocean Lodge is the winner of **the** supreme accolade in the highly esteemed Tatler Travel Awards 2009 – the “Hotel of the Year” Award.

The 21 suite clifftop lodge set amongst untouched coastal wilderness on Kangaroo Island is Australia's first true luxury lodge experience.

With all inclusive rates and first name service, the Lodge offers guests a unique fusion of nature and luxury and a hands-on experience of the Island treasured as Australia's Galapagos.

Proprietors James and Hayley Baillie were ecstatic on receiving the news in the Sydney headquarters of Baillie Lodges this week.

The event, well recognised as the 'night of nights' in the travel and tourism industry was held at the glamorous grand-daddy of luxury accommodation, the Ritz Hotel in London.

On hand to accept the award was a delighted Project Manager Matthew Giltrap, who oversaw the development of the Lodge from conception to the finished product which now consistently wows all who experience it.

Tatler Travel Editor Melinda Stevens explains, *"This is what's exciting about the direction that hotels are going in. It's become all about where they are. Go in early summer and you'll find here a mass of furry koalas, wallabies and kangaroos, you can eat muffins as sealions shimmy about on the beach. This lodge is clever and daring."*

The Award is a remarkable achievement for all who have contributed to the Baillie Lodges' vision for Southern Ocean Lodge and recognition of a new benchmark for the Australian tourism experience.

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Images: A selection of [Southern Ocean Lodge](#) images is free for download

Editors Notes: Baillie Lodges is a collection of intimate luxury lodges in unique wilderness destinations. Capella Lodge on Lord Howe Island launched the portfolio and continues to capture guests in its magic. Southern Ocean Lodge is Australia's first true luxury lodge offering a premium nature-based escape. Both Baillie Lodges properties are honoured as founding members of [Luxury Lodges of Australia](#).