

Globally celebrated and multi-award winning: Australia's luxury icon is Southern Ocean Lodge, Kangaroo Island

Seeming to float gracefully along limestone cliffs rising above the wild Southern Ocean on ruggedly beautiful Kangaroo Island, Southern Ocean Lodge is Australia's iconic luxury lodge, setting exciting new standards in Australian experiential travel. Southern Ocean Lodge is the flagship of the Baillie Lodges luxury lodge portfolio, which includes Capella Lodge on World Heritage listed Lord Howe Island.

Southern Ocean Lodge opened in 2008 to instant and sustained global acclaim from media, trade and a dedicated following of guests seeking extraordinary experiences, world class accommodation, dining and service. The Lodge was awarded Tatler's 'Hotel of the Year' in 2008, and was voted #3 in Travel + Leisure 2012 World's Best Awards as well as #1 Resort in Australia, New Zealand and the South Pacific.

Kangaroo Island, South Australia is home to an abundance of native wildlife, and is widely regarded as Australia's Galapagos. Located on the Island's south west coast, Southern Ocean Lodge adjoins both the Flinders Chase and Kelly Hill National Parks and is at the heart of the Island's major attractions such as Seal Bay, Admirals Arch and the Remarkable Rocks.

Sensitively designed to sustain this pristine environment, the Lodge is a 'luxe base camp' allowing visitors to experience the unique coastal wilderness and plentiful wildlife for which Kangaroo Island is renowned. An intimate twenty-one suites feature generous sleeping areas, stylish sunken lounges, glass walled bathrooms and outdoor terraces. A contemporary architectural design by Max Pritchard promote majestic Southern Ocean views from every suite, and the use of organic local materials such as recycled timbers and white limestone floors induces a real sense of place. Owners James and Hayley Baillie have a joint passion for interior design and have contributed a very personal touch for the Lodge guaranteeing a "Baillie" feel with a very South Australian focus.

Dining in the Lodge Restaurant affords guests a dedicated regional culinary adventure. The Lodge's culinary philosophy is founded on excellent working relationships with small scale, high quality local food producers and the use of the freshest Island and local seasonal produce in its inspired daily menus. The Island is famous for its cheeses, sheeps milk and yoghurts, free-range chickens and eggs. The world's only pure Ligurian honey is produced on Kangaroo Island, with strict quarantines in place protecting these gentle bees from their mainland counterparts. Seafood is a joy, with daily catches of prawns, crayfish, abalone and whiting bringing the fresh riches of the ocean to the table. A world-class menu of Kangaroo Island and South Australian beverages has been carefully selected to complement unforgettable Lodge dining.

The Southern Spa is an intimate and private oasis of calm, offering signature menu of Dreamtime-inspired Li'tya spa treatment products and Aboriginal massage techniques and are complemented by Kangaroo Island's natural beauty ingredients: mineral salts, pink clay, eucalyptus, lavender and Ligurian honey. Combined with the cleanest air, fresh from Antarctica and with pounding surf below, the Southern Spa provides a pure natural environment in which to chill out.

With exceptional guided experiences and adventures included in the nightly tariff, Southern Ocean Lodge delivers a complete Kangaroo Island experience. Guests can be as active as they please with a personalised experiential itinerary tailored on arrival. A range of activities offered daily allows guests to encounter a rich natural heritage: an interpretive guided walk along the limestone cliff tops, an excursion to the Remarkable Rocks, a sea-lion encounter and canapés with kangaroos at dusk.

Rates commence from AUD\$990 per person per night (twin share), including all dining, open bar with premium wines and spirits (select cellarmasters list additional), in-suite bar, signature experiences and island airport transfers.

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Editors Notes: Baillie Lodges is a collection of intimate luxury lodges in unique Australian destinations. Capella Lodge on Lord Howe Island launched the portfolio and continues to capture guests in its magic. Southern Ocean Lodge is Australia's most extraordinary luxury lodge offering a premium nature-based escape. Baillies Sydney, an intimate hotel establishment in the historic Rocks precinct, opening late 2014, will provide a level of experiential accommodation new to the harbour city. Baillie Lodges is honoured as a founding member of [Luxury Lodges of Australia](#).