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# Hotel Awards 2025: the world's 30 best hotels

From Australia to Uganda, we reveal the world's most exciting hotel openings. The result is a list of winners and runners-up that's as varied as it is unparalleled – whether you want to eat the freshest produce at an upscale farm stay, find designer digs in the city or tune out on a jungle retreat in the mountains.

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| We searched the planet for the world's best hotels. Here are our picks.

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From bold design and clever use of architecture to incredible locations and a dedication to serving the finest local food, the Hotel Awards 2025 celebrates the best new and renovated places to stay across the world. Discover a cool designer pad in Mexico; a retro-hip motel along Route 66; a 19th-century building commissioned by a queen and reinvented as a boutique hotel in Stockholm; a remote retreat on the Sardinian coast; a farm-turned-food-retreat in Dorset, England — and plenty more besides.

## Revamped hotel

*These old favourites have been given a fresh lease of life after extensive renovations.*



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**Runner-up: La Fiermontina Ocean, Morocco**

The main hotel is a striking modernist villa perched over a perfect Atlantic beach. But La Fiermontina's secret weapon is its four cottages in a nearby hamlet, perfect for a romantic getaway. The traditional stone houses have their original decorative wood trim, accessorised with Berber rugs and poufs. Local concierges are on hand to arrange any activity you might think of, but guests are largely left alone to enjoy cocktails by the fire or sunsets on the terrace with views over the valley. From 3,179 MAD (£260), B&B.