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## **Meet the winners of the 2011 Down Under Awards**

All the votes are counted, and we are pleased to announce the winners of the inaugural [Down Under Awards](#) for 2011. Over 5,000 votes were cast, making these the biggest awards for travel and emigration to Australia and New Zealand.

There were thirteen categories in total, rewarding excellence across a range of disciplines.

Voters comprised the readers of Australia & New Zealand Magazine, and visitors to some of the UK's biggest websites for downunder – [www.getmedownunder.com](http://www.getmedownunder.com), [www.australiamagazine.co.uk](http://www.australiamagazine.co.uk) and [www.workingdownunder.co.uk](http://www.workingdownunder.co.uk), who nominated their favourites and then voted for them. Nominees included some of the biggest names in the industry, including British Airways, and some of the most iconic destinations in Australasia, such as Australia's Great Barrier Reef.

The winners of the awards received their trophies at a ceremony in London on the 16<sup>th</sup> September.

Customer Service Award - **The Emigration Group**

Best Immigration Agent - **Immigration2oz**

Best Removals or Shipping Service - **PSS**

Best Financial Product or Service - **Westpac**

Best Airline - **Etihad**

Favourite Tourist Destination - **Tamborine Mountain Distillery**

Best wine or alcoholic beverage - **Tamborine Mountain Distillery**

Best Hotel - **The Daintree Eco Lodge**

Favourite Stopover - **Singapore**

Best Travel Company - **Flight Centre**

Editor's Choice Award - **Melbourne**

Best of Australia - **Victoria**

Best of New Zealand - **City of Christchurch**

John Weir, director for the [Down Under Awards](#) comments "We are delighted that the awards have proved so popular with our readers and visitors, They voted in their droves ; demonstrating the enduring appeal of Australia and New Zealand to UK consumers. We look forward to making these Awards the most hotly contested in the market for many years to come."

The 2012 Down Under Awards will open for nominations in January 2012.