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## Brisbane's Emporium Hotel wins Best Luxury Accommodation at Queensland Tourism Awards for the 2<sup>nd</sup> year running

Brisbane's Emporium Hotel is set to represent Queensland and defend its title at the Australian Tourism Awards in February after taking out Best Luxury Accommodation at the Queensland Tourism Awards for the second consecutive year.

The independently owned and operated Emporium Hotel won the category last year and went on to win Best Luxury Accommodation in Australia. A jewel in Queensland's tourism crown, the hotel is consistently being honoured nationally and internationally as the best of the best. Being recognised with the Best Luxury Accommodation title for the fourth time in only six years is an extraordinary achievement, testament to its ownership, management, team and experience offerings.

Emporium Hotel owner Anthony John said the award was magnificent, capping a stunning year for the property.

"Emporium Hotel opened its doors in June 2007, as a luxury boutique hotel, focused on delivering new levels of hospitality in an environment not seen before. We've had the opportunity to drive new thinking, contribute to our industry and benchmark what is possible when a team of passionate professionals focus on pushing traditional hospitality boundaries," he said. "I pay tribute to the General Manager Mr. Peter Savoff and his incredible team who each and every day deliver this service, this philosophy to guests; what a team."

"With the G20 and Commonwealth Games approaching as leading global events, Brisbane is absolutely entering its phase as a New World City and we are proud to know that Emporium Hotel stands tall against any luxury operator in the world."

Recently the hotel was also awarded the title of Australia's Leading Hotel Residences at the 2013 World Travel Awards held in Dubai, named Best Boutique Hotel at the prestigious HM Awards and achieved Silver Certification with EarthCheck for sustainable work practices.

The prestigious award comes on the back of owner Anthony John announcing that a second luxury Emporium Hotel will feature in the \$650 million Southpoint complex at South Bank, which will also include high-end apartments and offices. Construction is set to begin on Southpoint in mid-2014 with completion expected in 2016. Like Emporium Hotel, the new Emporium Hotel Southpoint will introduce exciting new levels of design, service and luxury to Australia.

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**Winner:** Best Luxury Accommodation, Queensland Tourism Awards 2013, 2012, 2009, 2008  
**Winner:** Australia's Leading Hotel Residences, Dubai World Travel Awards 2013  
**Winner:** Best Luxury Accommodation, Qantas Australian Tourism Awards 2012  
**Winner:** Best Training Initiative, Queensland Hotels Association Awards for Excellence 2013, 2011  
**Winner:** Best Boutique Hotel in Australia, HM Awards for Hotel Excellence 2013, 2012, 2011, 2010 & 2009  
**Winner:** Tripadvisor Certificate of Excellence, 2013  
**Winner:** Best Deluxe Hotel Accommodation 5 Star+, Queensland Hotels Association Awards for Excellence 2012  
**Winner:** Trendiest Hotels in Australia, TripAdvisor Travellers' Choice Awards 2012  
**Winner:** Best 5 STAR Hotel, Silver Award, AAA Awards for Excellence 2011  
**Winner:** Best Hotel Caterer, Restaurant and Catering Awards for Excellence QLD 2010  
**Winner:** Best Small Luxury Hotel in Australia, Gourmet Traveller Travel Awards 2010 & 2009  
Named one of the world's best new hotels in the **International Condé Nast Traveler's Hot List 2008**

