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SA home to two of the best hotels

Two South Australian properties have been recognised overnight in the prestigious 2012 Fodor's 100 Hotel Awards, with just two other Australian hotels making the list.

Kingsford Homestead in the Barossa and Southern Ocean Lodge on Kangaroo Island were included on the list, which commends hotels on excellent service, high style and for providing guests with a one-of-a-kind stay.

Minister for Tourism Gail Gago said it was fantastic recognition for the two properties, but also for South Australia.

"We know SA is home to quality and unique accommodation and experiences, so it's rewarding to be recognised by a group as prestigious as Fodor's," Minister Gago said.

"Both Southern Ocean Lodge and Kingsford Homestead provide an unforgettable experience, combining luxury rooms, stunning surrounds, exceptional food and wine and superior service.

"With Kingsford Homestead just an hour's drive from Adelaide, it is an accessible yet secluded getaway for visitors to the Barossa. Southern Ocean Lodge provides a real sense of distance from the pressures of everyday life and allows people to appreciate their surrounds."

Both properties received funding from the South Australian Tourism Commission's (SATC) Tourism Development Fund to assist making them as unique and world-class as they are.

"The SATC invests in accommodation and experience development to help make South Australia a more desirable travel destination. It's pleasing to see this pay off with accolades such as being represented on the highly regarded 2012 Fodor's 100 Hotel Award."

Southern Ocean Lodge was listed under the 'trip of a lifetime' category and specifically noted for its restaurant, spa, eco-friendly design and romantic appeal.

Kingsford Homestead was listed under the 'best all-inclusive' category and the 'New and Noteworthy' category and particularly noted for its romantic appeal and restaurant.

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