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TRAVELLER READER AWARDS 2018

Cue the drum roll — it's time to reveal the very best in travel for 2018, as chosen by you. Last summer, we launched our annual Reader Awards with thousands of you offering up votes for your best-loved destinations, airlines, operators, experiences, hotels, travel personalities and more. And the results are in, as revealed at an awards ceremony in late November. Here's who — and what — claimed the top spots.

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READER AWARDS

DOMESTIC BLISS – UK HOTEL

WINNER

GLENEAGLES HOTEL

We didn't rule out a hotel that was part of a franchise for this category, but what had to set it apart from the rest was an indie spirit, innovative design and unique British service. Effortless comfort and class also played a big part too, and while boutique retreats and cool urban B&Bs featured in your votes, it was Scotland's long-standing country hotel landmark that claimed the top spot. This historic hotel's recent refurb has put it back on the map. With a sparkling new spa, two-starred Michelin food and fresh decor that nods deftly to its 1920s history, you can say with confidence that the eagle has landed.

FINALISTS

CHEWTON GLEN // THE PIG IN THE FOREST



THE DESTINATION HOTEL – OVERSEAS HOTEL

WINNER

GRAND HOTEL TREMEZZO, LAKE COMO

Some hotels are destinations in their own right. From their all-knowing concierges to oh-so-helpful hosts, a great hotel can give you an insider's take on a place, and be far more than just a place to lay your head. The finalists included not one but two Singapore hotels, yet it was a grand hotel closer to home that took the top prize. There are acres of gardens, a floating pool on the lake and a vast spa overlooking the water. Great food and service? You said the Grand Hotel Tremezzo has the lot.

FINALISTS

RAFFLES, SINGAPORE // MARINA BAY SANDS, SINGAPORE

GREEN LIGHT – ECO TRAVEL

WINNER

TUI CRUISES

From hotels to travel companies, regions or attractions, we want to applaud the forward-thinking eco-warriors out there. Who, where or what has caught your eye this year? And this year's winner was something of a surprise — cruise ships don't usually feature strongly in categories of this sort. But TUI's commitment to championing sustainable tourism now extends to its cruise programme, adding eco-friendly, lower-carbon-emitting ships to its fleet, plus initiatives to reduce food waste and plastic usage.

FINALISTS

MAPPING OCEAN WEALTH, THE NATURE CONSERVANCY // GROOTBOS PRIVATE NATURE RESERVE, SOUTH AFRICA

