



KAMALAYA
KOH SAMUI

Awards

KAMALAYA WELLNESS SANCTUARY & HOLISTIC SPA, KOH SAMUI

2012, 2014, 2017, 2018, 2020 & 2022

Worldwide Health & Wellness Destination of the Year

World Spa & Wellness Awards

At the 2022 World Spa & Wellness Awards – Kamalaya received for the fourth time the honor of being named ‘Worldwide Health & Wellness Destination of the Year’. Kamalaya was shortlisted alongside a prestigious line-up of five highly reputed wellness properties from around the world.



2019, 2020 & 2021

Wellness Retreat of the Year

Destination Deluxe Awards

We were delighted to win ‘Wellness Retreat of the Year’ for the third time in a row at the Destination Deluxe Awards announced in October 2021. An esteemed panel of industry experts judges these prestigious annual awards created by luxury wellness travel website Destination Deluxe. The accolades recognise leaders and pioneers in wellness and travel, and those who go beyond, set boundaries and innovate.



2021

The Best Wellness Retreat

Travel + Leisure India & South Asia's Best Awards

We are thrilled to win ‘The Best Wellness Retreat’ at the 10th Travel + Leisure India & South Asia Best's Awards 2021 for our excellence in delivering remarkable service. Travel + Leisure Magazine is the Indian edition of the American luxury travel and lifestyle magazine.





2021

TripAdvisor Travelers' Choice Award

We are so proud to receive the 2021 TripAdvisor Travelers' Choice Award given to hotels that consistently earn great reviews from travelers and are ranked within the top 10% of properties on TripAdvisor. This wouldn't have been possible without our dedicated team that provides unprecedented service and attention, as well as our patrons and guests who keep on coming back to enjoy all that Kamalaya Koh Samui has to offer. We feel blessed and grateful for another year of success.

2010, 2013, 2015, 2019 & 2021

Kinnari Gold Award at the 2021 TAT Awards

Tourism of Thailand (TAT)

We are very proud to receive the Kinnari Gold Award in the Wellness Retreat category at the 13th biannual Tourism Authority of Thailand (TAT) Awards. The ceremony recognises the best in Thailand's travel industry for their excellence in delivering remarkable service and experience to local and international tourists. Kamalaya won Gold in the Wellness Retreat segment which is part of the Health & Wellness category.



2020

Most Transformative

Organic Spa Media Wellness Travel Awards

When Organic Spa Magazine honored Kamalaya as 'Most Transformative' we were truly touched. Kamalaya's ability to help people embrace the changes in their lives was recognised by one of the world's leading health magazines. For the awards the editors chose Spas that 'lead the way for the industry, and raise the bar to new and higher standards.'



2014, 2016, 2017 & 2019

Best Overseas Health & Wellness Property

Luxury Travel Magazine's Gold List Awards

Kamalaya Wellness Sanctuary & Holistic Spa was four times awarded Best Overseas Health & Wellness Property in Australian Luxury Travel Magazine's Gold List Awards. Australia's premier travel and lifestyle magazine annually asks its readers to nominate outstanding luxury travel experiences in Australia and around the world. This includes hotels, resorts, spas, airlines, cruise ships as well as travel agencies, tour operators and destinations. Luxury Travel Magazine's Gold List is one of the most comprehensive luxury travel surveys undertaken in Australia and among the country's leading travel awards.





2016 & 2018

Spa Cuisine of the Year

AsiaSpa Awards

Kamalaya was awarded Spa Cuisine of the Year 2018 at the 14th Annual AsiaSpa Awards, held in Hong Kong on 15th November. Shortlisted alongside reputable properties from Asia and Australia, this is the third time Kamalaya has received this accolade for its Inspired Healthy Cuisine. “We passionately believe in the practice and application of ‘food for health, food as medicine’ and our cuisine is therefore a vital part of our holistic wellness concept”, says Kamalaya co-founder Karina Stewart who together with Kamalaya’s team of chefs has created a colourful menu that is both healing and delicious. AsiaSpa is Asia’s premier spa and wellbeing magazine and with the awards they are setting a benchmark for spas in the region and around the world.



2018

Owner & Operator of the Year – American Spa

Leader in Furthering Mental Awareness – Debra Simon Award

Recent events have provided double cause for celebration at Kamalaya after both our founders were awarded for their individual contributions to the wellness community. Firstly, ‘American Spa’ awarded Karina Stewart ‘Owner & Operator of the Year’ at the magazine’s Women in Wellness Awards 2018. We are also delighted to share that John Stewart received the Debra Simon Award for ‘Leader in Furthering Mental Awareness’ at the 2018 Global Wellness Summit in Cesena, Italy.



2017 & 2018

Worldwide Health & Wellness Destination of the Year

World Spa & Wellness Awards

As one of the leading honours in the wellness industry the World Spa & Wellness Awards acknowledge the global excellence of care, service and quality with the aim to both inspire spas and to develop global standards. Assessed by an independent jury of experienced industry professionals, Kamalaya was named Worldwide Health & Wellness Destination of the Year for the second year running at the 2018 awards held in February in London.



2015 & 2017

Spa of the Year – Southeast Asia & the Pacific

AsiaSpa Awards

Kamalaya has been named ‘Spa of the Year - Southeast Asia & the Pacific’ at the Annual AsiaSpa Awards in 2017 and in 2015. Since AsiaSpa, Asia’s premier spa and wellbeing magazine, introduced the awards in 2005, they are setting a benchmark for spas in the region and around the world. In 2017, AsiaSpa featured 26 Award categories, judged by a panel of 21 industry representatives.



2016

Best Destination Spa

Condé Nast Traveller Spa Awards

Condé Nast Traveller Spa Awards 2016: Best Destination Spa At the prestigious Condé Nast Traveller Spa Awards 2016 held in London on Tuesday 2nd February, Kamalaya Wellness Sanctuary & Holistic Spa was honoured to be named “Best Destination Spa”. Each year, the UK’s leading luxury travel magazine selects the world’s best spas in just nine categories setting an internationally recognised benchmark for the wellness industry. Winners are also announced in the magazine’s annual Spa Guide, which spotlights the best places in the world to relax, recharge and be well; demanding consistently high standards, excellent service and palpable results.

2016

Crystal Award “Best in Asia”

Country Award “Best in Thailand”

Spafinder Wellness 365™ Travel Awards

Kamalaya was selected as a multiple winner at the 2016 Spafinder Wellness 365™ Travel Awards in London, including the Crystal Award “Best in Asia” as well as its fifth Country Award “Best in Thailand”. With a total of nine Category Awards Kamalaya reached this year’s highest score within the group of category winners and was chosen as among the Best for Nutrition & Healthy Cuisine, Best Eco-friendly & Sustainable Property, Best for Going Solo, Best for Mind & Spirit, Best for the “Wow” Factor, Best for Yoga, Best Hidden Gem, Best Ahead-of-the-Curve Innovation and Best Weight Loss Program. From a shortlist selected by a panel of 39 wellness travel editors and industry experts, over 130,000 consumers and travel agents voted for their favorites.



2014

An Inspiration to Others

SpaStar Awards

Kamalaya Wellness Sanctuary & Holistic Spa was honored to be awarded the ‘SpaStar Award 2014’ at the TUR Travel Fair 2014 in Gothenberg, Sweden. One of three international properties to receive the top award of the day, Kamalaya was recognised as an Inspiration to Others. The judges said of Kamalaya, “Modern science meets ancient spiritual wisdom in this world-leading haven for a healthy mind, body and soul.” The SpaStar Awards are founded by SpaStar International, an independent spa directory and quality assurance firm. The SpaStar Awards spotlight innovation, inspirational examples and quality role models in the spa world.



2012 & 2014

Destination Spa of the Year: Asia & Australasia

World Spa & Wellness Awards

Twice since the awards began, Kamalaya won the award for Destination Spa of the Year: Asia & Australasia. The World Spa & Wellness Awards acknowledge the global excellence of care, service and standards within the industry.





2013

Best Eco Spa

SpaFinder Readers' Choice Awards

For the fourth time since the awards were launched Kamalaya was awarded a Spa Finder Reader's Choice Award. This year Kamalaya received "Best Eco-Spa" which is a first in this special interest category. The award recognises the initiatives put in place to preserve and maintain the environment. Kamalaya has placed great emphasis on protecting the beauty and resources of Thailand, and is dedicated to improving and creating initiatives that are sustainable thereby reducing waste, increasing energy efficiency, preserving water and implementing extensive planting of organic fruits and vegetables for consumption.



2011 & 2012

Spa Retreat of the Year

AsiaSpa Awards

For the second consecutive year Kamalaya Wellness Sanctuary & Holistic Spa was awarded "Spa Retreat of The Year" at the eighth edition of the AsiaSpa Awards in Hong Kong. With a short-list of exceptional nominees, Kamalaya was extremely honoured to receive this accolade again. The award rounds off a successful year for Kamalaya winning awards in Europe, the US and Asia.



2012

Favorite Spa in Thailand

SpaFinder Readers' Choice Awards

For the third time since the awards were launched, Kamalaya received the 2012 SpaFinder Wellness Readers' Choice Country Award as "Favourite Spa in Thailand". Nominated by consumers and travel agents who vote annually in the Readers' Choice Poll, the SpaFinder Wellness Readers' Choice awards honor the best-of-class properties from around the globe. Kamalaya was also delighted to be recognized as among the Best Eco-Spa, Best for Accommodations, Best for Weight Loss, and Best for Yoga.



2011

Best Conscious Cuisine

Crystal Awards Asia Pacific

For the third time since the awards were launched, Kamalaya received the 2012 SpaFinder Wellness Readers' Choice Country Award as "Favourite Spa in Thailand". Nominated by consumers and travel agents who vote annually in the Readers' Choice Poll, the SpaFinder Wellness Readers' Choice awards honor the best-of-class properties from around the globe. Kamalaya was also delighted to be recognized as among the Best Eco-Spa, Best for Accommodations, Best for Weight Loss, and Best for Yoga.



2010
Award for Enduring Excellence
TATLER Spa Awards 2010

At the fourth annual TATLER UK Spa Awards celebration, Kamalaya was honoured as the recipient of one of five awards worldwide. This award honours Kamalaya Wellness Sanctuary and Holistic Spa for its outstanding consistency in maintaining the highest standards of excellence since its conception in 2005, and is the first time that it has been recognized at this esteemed gathering.



2009 & 2010
Best Complementary & Alternative Medicine Wellness Centre
Crystal Awards Asia Pacific

Kamalaya was named Best Complementary & Alternative Medicine Wellness Centre in both the sixth and seventh annual Crystal Awards Asia Pacific for 2009 and 2010.

“The awards stand apart from the rest for our impartiality in recognizing and honouring those who set the standards across the industry,” said Crystal Awards Chairman Michael Loh. “Winners will be celebrated and relished as standard bearers for the industry as worthy models to follow.”