

## Capella Lodge, Lord Howe Island - celebrated as the first luxury lodge in the world's last paradise

On an island celebrated as a World Heritage site, one that limits visitor numbers to 400 and its speed limits to 25km/h, seclusion, relaxation and the boutique resort experience has been redefined. Capella is the first property in the Baillie Lodges portfolio of premium boutique lodge accommodation. The now celebrated Capella Lodge has brought a new level of luxe to New South Wales' Lord Howe Island.

Capella Lodge is located at the Southern end of Lord Howe Island above picturesque Lover's Bay and at the foot of the Island's iconic twin-mountains Gower and Lidgbird. Owned by James Baillie, founding Managing Director of P&O Australian Resorts and his wife Hayley, this nine-suite retreat combines personal service and premium facilities to deliver a unique and exclusive Lord Howe Island experience.

The only accommodation on Lord Howe Island that offers ocean and mountain views from all public areas as well as its guest suites, Capella commands spectacular views that unite ocean, lagoon and mountains in one sweeping vista.

Designed by the award winning project team responsible for the chic transformations of Lizard and Bedarra Islands, the teak clad main Lodge houses the Capella Restaurant, Makambo Bar, Gower's Terrace and a spacious Kentia Lounge.

Exclusive hand-printed fabrics by Bruce Goold, original artworks and light fittings that are more adequately described as light sculptures highlight the intriguing seafaring origins of Lord Howe and add to the relaxed mood of the Lodge.

Capella's nine luxurious suites include Capella Suites with expansive deck areas and outdoor lounging, and Lagoon Lofts with stunning views from the mezzanine bedroom. Verandahs on both levels provide guests with more opportunities to enjoy the Island's dramatic scenery.

The spacious suites have contemporary-styled interiors designed to capture the mood of a sophisticated beach house. Timber floors, white shutters and marine ply joinery, along with some custom-furniture pieces, add a sense of the sea whilst superior amenities, ranging from bathroom indulgences to signature bed linen - 100% cotton with superfine thread count - ensure comfort at every level.

The super premium Lidgbird Pavilion offers a large wrap-around verandah with plunge-pool and inspirational 270-degree lagoon views. The Suite's tariff includes use of a golf buggy allowing guests to travel freely around the Island.

Along with its dramatic location, quirky designer chic and understated luxury, Capella has a reputation as Lord Howe Island's prime dining destination drawing rave reviews for its breakfasts, long and lazy lunches on the deck and daily changing dinner menus with selected wines.

The Lodge's contemporary Pacific cuisine is a tribute to fresh flavours with local fish, house-made pasta, organic Island greens, Lodge-made bread and Lodge-churned ice cream some of the delights to be savoured.

The petite Capella Spa on the secluded southern end of the Island indulges your body and soul amongst swaying palms. A signature menu of rejuvenating and relaxation treatments embraces the island's endemic kentia palms and marine environment.

Rates at Capella Lodge start from AU\$650 per person twin share and include full gourmet breakfast, sunset drinks and canapés, 3-course dinner and selected wines with change of menu daily, most non alcoholic beverages and mountain bikes. For bookings and further information contact Capella Reservations.

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**Editors Notes:** Baillie Lodges is a collection of intimate luxury lodges in unique wilderness destinations. Capella Lodge on Lord Howe Island launched the portfolio and continues to capture guests in its magic. [Southern Ocean Lodge](#) is Australia's first true luxury lodge offering a premium nature-based escape. Both Baillie Lodges properties are honoured as founding members of [Luxury Lodges of Australia](#)