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## MOUNT NELSON, A BELMOND HOTEL, CAPE TOWN WINS THE WORLD'S 50 BEST HOTELS 2024 AT NO.28 AND BEST HOTEL IN AFRICA

THE HIGHLY ANTICIPATED LIST CELEBRATES HOTELS ACROSS SIX CONTINENTS WORLDWIDE

**17 SEPTEMBER 2024** – Mount Nelson, A Belmond Hotel, Cape Town has been named No.28 in the global ranking of The World's 50 Best Hotels 2024. Following a successful debut in 2023, the second edition of The World's 50 Best Hotels has been announced at a captivating

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awards ceremony in London and includes industry-defining hotels from across six continents worldwide.

This evening's awards ceremony once again brought together the global travel and hospitality community to celebrate the world's best hotels. Held at the historic Guildhall, the event showcased exceptional hotel experiences that will inspire consumers, travellers, and hoteliers around the globe.

At this year's ceremony, two of Belmond's legendary properties were awarded: Maroma, A Belmond Hotel, Riviera Maya was named at No.18 and won the Flor de Caña Eco Hotel of 2024. Whilst Mount Nelson, A Belmond Hotel, Cape Town ranks at No.28 and claims the place of 2024's Best Hotel in Africa.

Skirted by mountain and metropolis, Mount Nelson, A Belmond Hotel, Cape Town fuses its 125 years of heritage with 21st-century relevance in the urban heart of the city, surrounded by the country's leading designer boutiques and buzzing cafés. Nestled within 8 acres of verdant gardens that unfold beneath the gaze of Table Mountain, the hotel plugs guests into the pulse of this iconic Southern African destination, from front-row fashion paired with the Nellie's legendary afternoon tea; collaborations with modern and contemporary African creatives; exceptional dining with new Executive Chef Luke Lawrence Barry; to expert-led marine biology adventures and journeys into the city's internationally acclaimed winelands.

Tim Brooke-Webb, Managing Director for The World's 50 Best Hotels, comments: "We're thrilled to be back in London celebrating the second edition of The World's 50 Best Hotels. Bringing together so many influential figures from the travel industry to honour and celebrate the world's finest hotel experiences is truly a special moment. Our heartfelt congratulations go out to every hotel on the list, each of which has clearly made a lasting impression on our Academy of travel experts. We hope 2024's list inspires travel lovers to choose a truly spectacular destination for their next trip."

Tiago Moraes Sarmento, Area Managing Director, Belmond Southern Africa, explains: "Our daily focus is on how we make our guests, and our staff feel. We have the ability to influence that narrative by creating unforgettable moments that epitomise slow luxury for the modern traveller. We are so thrilled to be recognised for the passion and dedication of our extraordinary colleagues who continue to craft magic for our guests and make people smile!"

The World's 50 Best Hotels 2024 was revealed as part of a live countdown from No.50 to No.1. The ranking is complemented by a host of special awards and reflects the very best travel experiences around the globe, collated from the votes of 600 anonymous experts. This voting panel – the 50 Best Hotels Academy – comprises a balanced mix of hoteliers, travel journalists, educators and seasoned luxury travellers, led by a group of industry-leading Academy Chairs.

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Pictures of Mount Nelson, A Belmond Hotel, Cape Town are available at the following [link](#)

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## ABOUT MOUNT NELSON, A BELMOND HOTEL, CAPE TOWN

Mount Nelson, A Belmond Hotel, Cape Town first opened its doors in 1899 and has been affectionately known by locals as 'The Nellie' ever since. Nestled in the heart of Cape Town, between Table Mountain and the Company's Gardens, the property is framed by craggy coastlines, expansive beaches and verdant winelands, and is just a stone's throw away from the urban cool of Kloof Street. Steeped in history, with illustrious guests such as Marlene Dietrich and Dalai Lama, its iconic facade was first painted pink in 1918 as a symbol of peace and joy at the end of World War I. The hotel has 198 rooms and suites, connected by 9-acres of lush gardens – a green sanctuary in the heart of the vibrant city – as well as two tennis courts, two heated swimming pools and a spa in a heritage building. Its gastronomical offering spans from the world-famous Afternoon Tea by Vicky Gurovich - where guests are offered over 60 varieties of loose-leaf teas and infusions - to Liam Tomlin's ode to Pan-Asian cuisine at The Red Room by Chefs Warehouse. The Verandah promises a hyper-seasonal dining experience with George Jardine's three-course à la carte menu. A peaceful and luxurious oasis in the city, Mount Nelson celebrates its 125th anniversary in 2024.

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## ABOUT THE WORLD'S 50 BEST HOTELS

Following the success of The World's 50 Best Restaurants and The World's 50 Best Bars, 50 Best launched The World's 50 Best Hotels in 2023, marking the brand's first global launch since 2009. The World's 50 Best Hotels list is created by The World's 50 Best Hotels Academy, an influential group of more than 600 independent leaders, each selected for their expert opinion of the international hotel scene. The World's 50 Best Hotels event programme – including the awards ceremony and unveiling of the list – provides a unique opportunity to unite hoteliers, restaurateurs, bar owners, media, business travellers and luxury travellers at a captivating celebration of hospitality, passion and talent. The inaugural awards ceremony was held in London, UK, in September 2023.

## ABOUT 50 BEST

50 Best is the leading authority in global hospitality, showcasing worldwide trends and highlighting great restaurants, bars and hotels from all corners of the Earth. Over the last 20 years, 50 Best has provided unrivalled guidance through its lists and events to gourmets, cocktail lovers and discerning travellers, inspiring consumers to discover diverse establishments, cultures and destinations, unveiling

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up-and-coming chefs, bartenders and hoteliers, exploring trends, and highlighting the subtlety and complexity of various cuisines and drinks cultures from around the world.

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