

CHEWTON GLEN

HAMPSHIRE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

SEPTEMBER 2019

CHEWTON GLEN RECEIVES ACCOLADE OF 'AA HOTEL OF THE YEAR'

The AA Hospitality Awards celebrate the brightest and best among the nation's hotels, restaurants and chefs and at a glittering awards ceremony held on Monday 23rd September at Grosvenor House, London, Chewton Glen, the 'iconic' country house hotel in Hampshire was named as England's 'AA Hotel of the Year'.

Recognising the excellence of hotels, restaurants and their teams across the UK, the AA Hospitality Awards are one of the industry's most prestigious and highly anticipated events. Attended by over 1,000 guests, the Awards were hosted by TV presenter Kate Silverton. Last year's winner of the 'Chef's Chef Award', Chef Patron at Bibendum, Claude Bosi created a fabulous banquet that was enjoyed by key industry figures from world famous chefs and prominent hoteliers, to restaurateurs and hospitality experts.

The judges commented that: "Over the years, Chewton Glen has never rested on its laurels. Always a leader at the highest level, as the spa, kitchen gardens and Treehouses illustrate. Investment continues, most recently 'The Kitchen' and cookery school, bedrooms, and terrace but also in its people. A strong management team also ensures an excellent level of consistency"

Andrew Stembridge, Managing Director of Chewton Glen and Executive Director of Iconic Luxury Hotels, a collection of luxury hotels that also includes: Cliveden House in Berkshire, who won the title in 2015; The Lygon Arms in the Cotswolds; and 11 Cadogan Gardens in the heart of Chelsea, accepted the award on behalf of the hotel. He said: "We are thrilled that Chewton Glen has been crowned 'AA Hotel of the Year' again, especially considering the number of very credible new hotels that have opened lately. Winning this prestigious title is undoubtedly testament to the energy, passion and creativity of the entire team who work so hard, not only to ensure that our guests always want to return, but are also focused on continually improving and innovating"

"Chewton Glen has always been remarkable, as defined by Martin Skan when he blazed the country house hotel trail well over half a century ago. We are exceptionally fortunate to still have owners who support our vision through constant reinvestment, there hasn't been a year in the hotel's history that hasn't seen the hotel develop. However, more recently we added the Trehouses, which were a first for the UK hotel industry. Earlier this summer we also launched 'The Beehive' at The Chelsea Flower Show, which has now been moved to the hotel. This is a mini version of our grown-up Treehouses and is now home to our childrens club. Another significant development was the addition of 'The Kitchen' a relaxed all-day eatery on the estate which sits alongside a new purpose-built Cookery School with its own kitchen garden. It is a tremendous honour to accept this award on behalf of the team at Chewton Glen who undoubtedly create the magic and make our guests want to return, and this award is without question for them," concluded Andrew Stembridge.

For further information please contact:

Angela Day

Head of Public Relations

Iconic Luxury Hotels

Telephone: 01304 617755

Mobile: 07785 619294

E-mail: angela@iconicluxuryhotels.com

www.chewtonglen.com

www.iconicluxuryhotels.com

Emma Hartland-Mahon

Director

J Public Relations

Mobile: 07921 124668

Telephone: 0203 890 5858

E-mail: iconic@jpublicrelations.com

Editor's Note:

Chewton Glen is a five-red star privately-owned luxury country house hotel, located on the edge of the ancient New Forest National Park in Hampshire and just a few minutes' walk from the sea. Featuring an award-winning restaurant, world-class spa and leisure activities, luxurious accommodation and modern meeting facilities, the hotel has 72 individually designed bedrooms and suites including 14 tree-house suites, a nine-hole par three golf course, croquet lawn, indoor and outdoor tennis courts and a spa which has been voted the best in Europe and a purpose-built cookery school, bakery and informal restaurant opened in association with James Martin.

Chewton Glen is a member of Iconic Luxury Hotels, a collection of England's finest iconic hotels which also includes Cliveden House in Berkshire, 11 Cadogan Gardens in the heart of Chelsea, and The Lygon Arms in the Cotswolds. Each property has its own character but they share a common commitment to delivering outstanding experiences.