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The 2014 Best of the Best Hotel Awards

The results are in... Introducing our first annual hotel awards. Read on for the full list of winners and runners-up, and find out what makes them Jetsetter's very Best of the Best

"But what's your *favorite* hotel?" It's the question most often asked of Jetsetter's editors by friends, relatives and brand new acquaintances. It's a topic we never tire of debating over computer monitors in the editorial department. And, most important, it's what lies at the heart of our first ever Best of the Best Awards.

When a property appears on Jetsetter, it has already sailed through our vetting process, been visited by a trusted travel correspondent or in-house editor, and proved it's worthy of the Jetsetter Verified stamp through constant member feedback. So these 2014 award winners represent the knockouts among the standouts.

To define the categories, we zoned in on the classics, debated the quirky (one of our editors can indeed be swayed by the promise of top-notch people watching) and read through scores of Ask the Editor requests to find out what matters most to Jetsetter members in choosing a hotel. From there, it was over to our 200 travel correspondents for their picks in each category, and a lot of cross-referencing the long lists and tallying repeat appearances before we had our finalists.

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BEST ON THE BEACH



THE FINALISTS
Esencia Estate, Mexico
Six Senses Con Dao, Vietnam

THE WINNER

Grace Bay Club, Turks & Caicos

Fronting 1,000 feet of pristine Providenciales shoreline, the Grace Bay Club could have snagged this award for its plum position alone, but we also love the pretension-free vibe, private canopy daybeds, ocean views from every room and faultless service. There are changes afoot, too: Celeb designer Thom Filicia recently completed a top-to-toe refresh of the lobby, and the Villa Suites and adults-only hotel will be given the same treatment by 2015.