

HALEKULANI OKINAWA RECOGNIZED AS FIVE-STAR HOTEL IN FORBES TRAVEL GUIDE'S 2023 STAR AWARDS

Halekulani Okinawa Receives Second Five-Star Award & Remains Okinawa's Only Five-Star Hotel

Okinawa, Japan – Feb. 16, 2023 – Forbes Travel Guide, the only global rating system for luxury hotels, restaurants and spas, unveiled its 2023 Star Awards, recognizing Halekulani Okinawa, the acclaimed luxury resort located on the main island of Okinawa in Japan, as a Five-Star Hotel. The accolade is Halekulani Okinawa's second Five-Star Award, a status presented only to properties who deliver a guest experience across its dining venues, facilities and services as determined by an independent inspection process. This honor maintains Halekulani Okinawa's status of being the only Five-Star property in Okinawa and only one of 14 Five-Star Hotels in Japan.

"We are incredibly grateful and honored to have our property recognized as a Five-Star hotel by Forbes Travel Guide for the second year in a row," says Jun Yoshie, General Manager of Halekulani Okinawa. "Since opening our doors in July 2019, we have made personalized service and unforgettable experiences our number one priority through luxury accommodations, innovative fine dining and unique cultural excursions. We are proud to retain our status as Okinawa's only Five-Star hotel and are incredibly thankful for our team of passionate and dedicated staff, who have made this tremendously hospitable experience possible for our guests."

Halekulani Okinawa is home to the prestigious SpaHalekulani, which received recognition for the second time from Forbes Travel Guide as a Four-Star spa. Inspired by the ancient healing methods of Okinawan culture, SpaHalekulani offers bespoke treatments that are tailored to the personal needs of each guest and incorporate traditional Okinawan ingredients. Halekulani Okinawa received top marks from Forbes Travel Guide for its Food & Beverage services, guest comfort and convenience, and luxurious pool experience.

Halekulani Okinawa opened in July 2019 on the main island of Okinawa, Japan as the second hotel from the leading Hawaiian resort of the same name and first outside Hawaii. Located on the coastline within the Okinawa Kaigan Quasi-National Park, Halekulani Okinawa offers travelers a true resort experience across 32 acres of lush natural landscape. In addition to 360 guest rooms, suites and cliffside villas, Halekulani Okinawa features four restaurants and a bar, and unique/immersive guest programming and exclusive access to Okinawa's rich culture and heritage.

Forbes Travel Guide is recognized for creating the original concept of Five-Star service, naming only the most deserving properties to its illustrious annual Star Rating list. The full list of Forbes Travel Guide's 2023 Star Ratings can be found at ForbesTravelGuide.com.

For more information about Halekulani Okinawa, visit www.okinawa.halekulani.com.

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About Halekulani Okinawa

Halekulani Okinawa, the second hotel from the leading Hawaiian resort of the same name and first outside Hawaii, is a luxury beach resort located in Onna Village on the main island of Okinawa. Featuring a variety of accommodations built to emphasize the geographic features of its surroundings, Halekulani Okinawa sits on 32 acres of lush land within the Okinawa Kaigan Quasi-National Park and faces approximately one mile of coastline. Halekulani Okinawa is home to a diverse array of facilities including four restaurants and a bar. In addition, the property features the prestigious SpaHalekulani, a fitness center, a luxury boutique, over 2,550 ft² of meeting and convention space and five swimming pools, one of which is adorned with nearly 1.5 million mosaic tiles in the shape of Halekulani's signature Cattleya orchid. Halekulani Okinawa is the third property in Japan to join *The Leading Hotels of the World*, an exclusive collection of the world's most extraordinary luxury establishments. For further information, please visit www.okinawa.halekulani.com.