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HOTELS AND RESORTS

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Stamford Hotels and Resorts, one of the largest owner-operator of luxury hotels in Australia and New Zealand, has established a significant presence across Australia and New Zealand with hotels in Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide and Auckland.

INTRODUCTION

It offers the well-seasoned traveller a myriad of choices from boutique charm to contemporary style, and for those on business, a selection of conference venues and business centres to facilitate ease of accomplishing tasks on hand.

Stamford Hotels and Resorts takes pride in offering a home-away-from-home with its highly personal services. As a testimony to this, many of its hotels have won international recognition including Sir Stamford at Circular Quay, which was voted No. 1 Hotel in Australia by *US Conde Nast Traveler* readers while Stamford Plaza Brisbane was once again voted as one of Australia's best hotels in 2007, making it to the Gold List of the prestigious *Luxury Travel Magazine*.

Stamford

HOTELS & RESORTS

Ow Chio Kiat

EPITOMY OF EXCELLENCE

hotels in Australia and New Zealand.

A renowned connoisseur of fine art and antiques, Ow has amassed an impressive collection of 19th and 20th-century furniture, paintings and sculpture. He is also renowned for his discerning eye for design, architecture and appreciation for fine craftsmanship, which are reflected not only in his residences around the world but also in his choices for the hotels, including furnishings and décor in the lobby, function rooms and guest rooms in most of the hotels managed by the Stamford group.

It is befitting that Ow is putting a lot of effort in the hospitality industry, probably an extension of what he enjoys doing for pleasure. Despite his jet-setting lifestyle, he is a consummate party host who believes in giving his guests a memorable experience at his residence whenever he can and it is known that such private parties are meticulously organised with exacting details from the best gourmet cuisine with matching wines and even matching crockery with napkins.

"Our emphasis is on being able to provide value for money for our guests and to offer impeccable services that will be much appreciated because of the attention to even the most minute details that our visitors can feel at home. This is not rocket science but it is my wish for the Stamford group of hotels to fulfill this vision," says Ow.

Today, Stamford Hotels and Resorts has established a significant presence across Australia and New Zealand with hotels in Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide and Auckland. Positioned in the four and five-star market, the Stamford group has a portfolio of landmark premium and luxury hotels in key geographic locations. It operates eight hotels with nearly 2,050 rooms and 2,000 employees.

In addition, Stamford Land has since made its mark as a property developer. It currently has three residential



Ow with his imperial majesty Emperor Akihito



Ow greeting Queen Elizabeth



Ow with New Zealand Prime Minister John Key



developments — two in Sydney and one in Auckland. It also owns a prime site in Perth where it is currently building a 14-storey office block, with a lettable area of 14,000sq m. This entire Grade-A office block is now leased to Chevron for 10 years at a rental rate comparable to Grade-A offices in Sydney.

Ow's success story is almost like a fairy tale. He was thrust into the family business at the tender age of 16 when his father passed away. Hai Sun Hup was founded by

his father in 1935 and started as a small tug and barge operator, which provided lighterage facilities for ships anchored in the harbour and at warehouses along the Singapore River. From a staff of four persons, it now employs more than 3,000 people worldwide as the group has since flourished to offer a comprehensive range of services: Shipping agency, chartering and management, warehousing and distribution, sea and air-freight forwarding. Hai

Sun Hup Group Ltd was listed on the Singapore Exchange in 1989.

His astute sense of business was evident when he started to diversify his interests from shipping into property in the 1990s. As someone close to Ow had related, "If Ow put all his money into shipping 15 years ago, most of it would have disappeared with the shipping slump in the late 1990s."

Ow, who is married with two grown children, is a qualified chartered shipbroker. A member of the Singapore Australia Business Alliance Forum, he is also Singapore's representative to the ASEAN Free Trade Area — Closer Economic Relations Business Council — and also the Singapore representative for Bremen Business International.

Ow was bestowed the Order of Bernardo O'Higgins with the rank of "Gran Oficial" by the president of Chile in 2000. He was also awarded the President's Medal by the Singapore Australian Business Council in 1999 to recognise his achievements and contribution to the Singapore Australia business relationship. The IMCA and University of Action Learning conferred a Doctor of Business Administration (DBA) *honoris causa* to Ow in Edinburgh, Scotland, in 2002. He was the Honorary Consul-General of the Slovak Republic to Singapore from 2001 to 2007 and since October 2007, Ow was appointed Singapore's ambassador to Argentina.

On a most recent visit to Auckland, Ow met privately with Prime Minister, John Key and had extensive discussions on the country's current economic climate in New Zealand and its outlook for both the tourism and property markets. During this meeting, the prime minister also toured The Stamford Residents and was full of praise of the layout, views and quality of finishes of the penthouse apartment on level 23. Key described it as "Beautiful!" in the visitors book.



Stamford Plaza Brisbane

CORNER EDWARD AND MARGARET STREETS, BRISBANE, QLD 4000, AUSTRALIA

Nestled on the bank of the Brisbane River and only a stone's throw away from the Botanic Gardens, Stamford Plaza Brisbane capitalises much on its unique location. Designed to capture the views of its surroundings, the hotel features 252 luxurious rooms offering panoramic views of the Brisbane River, Kangaroo Point cliffs or the Botanic Gardens. Highly regarded as the city's sanctuary for relaxation, the five-star hotel epitomises the height of luxury and style, and is the preferred choice for visiting celebrities, including world-famous actors and musicians, heads of state and royalty.

Located on the top floor of the hotel and lavishly decorated

Prime Spot

Spend a pleasant morning or afternoon at the Brasserie on the River and watch the world go by. A prime location that is adjacent to the hotel's award-winning gardens, this venue offers views of the Brisbane River and Story Bridge. Watch the city come alive while boats cruise along the river as you enjoy breakfast or a delightful traditional afternoon tea.

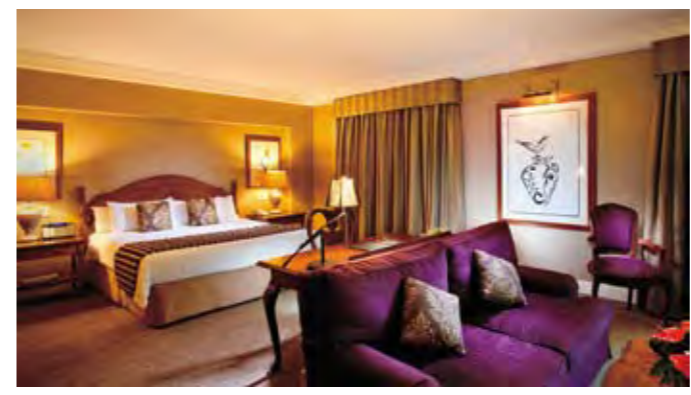
is the impressive Stamford Suite, a luxurious haven with rich furnishings and artworks and a baby grand piano taking pride of place.

A popular corporate choice by day and a vibrant entertainment venue in the evening, Stamford Plaza Brisbane has many interesting attractions. A white silk-lined marquee adjoins The Brasserie on the River restaurant that is a haven for gourmets. It not only offers breakfast but also traditional high tea. Another trendy hot spot is The Pav Bar, great for evening drinks in a relaxed ambience, and guests have the choice of enjoying a

lunch-time menu of char-grilled items in the open-air courtyard.

The hotel also houses Brisbane's premier Japanese restaurant, Kabuki, that promises diners an entertaining and interactive culinary experience with à la carte dishes and *teppanyaki* cooking shows. Check out their celebrity chopsticks showcase to find out which of Hollywood's rich and famous have wined and dined there.

After the recent \$10m refurbishment programme, Stamford Plaza Brisbane has reinforced its reputation as a key getaway for the discerning seeking an intimate escape in the lap of luxury.



Stamford Grand North Ryde

CORNER EPPING & HERRING ROADS, NORTH RYDE, NSW 2113, AUSTRALIA

Sydney's only all-suite, resort-style hotel, Stamford Grand North Ryde unleashes a wonderful tropical experience for the business and leisure travellers alike. Located 20 minutes from the CBD, the hotel, which is surrounded by some of Australia's largest corporations, is situated just minutes from the Macquarie Centre which is known for its large ice-skating rink, Gold-class cinemas and more than 200 retail outlets.

Its luxury accommodation is set amid sprawling tropical landscaped gardens complete with a picturesque waterfall, fountain and an indoor and outdoor swimming pool. Other facilities include the Rebound Ace Tennis Court and a state-of-the-art health and fitness centre.

Why not take the opportunity

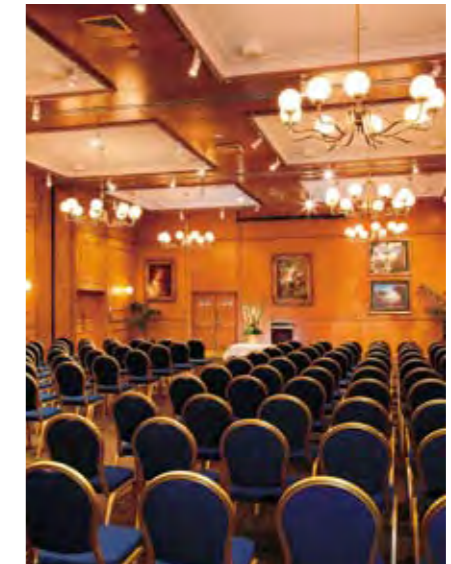
to discover the new Captain Cook's Cove restaurant and take your tastebuds on a culinary journey of discovery with Executive Chef Simon Wong's international brasserie cuisine. The open-plan kitchen creates an inviting buzz, while the tropical gardens and lagoon outlook create the perfect backdrop for a most enjoyable dining experience. The restaurant also features a bar area where guests can enjoy signature cocktails, fine wines, a wide range of local and imported beers, or quick meals for business diners.

The hotel recently relaunched its renowned traditional high tea, which offers a selection of finger



Best for Business

With 13 dedicated function rooms, which house prime access to audio-visual equipment, and complimentary parking, North Ryde stands out as an ideal conference and meeting centre. It also has a specially designed convention centre with the impressive Daintree Ballroom.



sandwiches, scones and mini tartlets in Captain Cook's Cove or the terrace with a lagoon view.

Its 257 accommodation suites with en-suite bathrooms are not only generous in terms of space but also come with a balcony or terrace. Executive suites are fitted with a large marble-clad bathroom with spa bath and kitchenette facilities, while Deluxe Suites offer a separate bedroom and lounge area and also the stunning view of the lagoon and pool. All rooms are fitted with high-speed broadband Internet connection and offer on-demand movies and cable television.





Hot Spots

Spectacular dining options make Stamford Plaza Sydney Airport an impressive destination. Besides its famous seafood buffet, the hotel offers the following: The Grove is an all-day dining outlet and opens daily for breakfast. Enjoy à la carte lunches and check out the expansive dinner menu here, which includes Stamford's signature nasi padang dishes. This is also where diners get special seafood buffets treats. Another popular venue is the AV8 Bar and Café, which opens for lunch. The menu includes a selection of Turkish-style gourmet sandwiches, pizzas and burgers. It is ideal for relaxing and unwinding, in the evening, to live entertainment on selected nights.

Stamford Plaza Sydney Airport

CORNER ROBEY & O'RIORDAN STREETS, MASCOT, NSW 2020, AUSTRALIA



Conveniently located just minutes from the international and domestic airport terminals, Stamford Plaza Sydney Airport is ideal for both business and leisure travellers. The property exudes a grandeur that is befitting a luxury hotel and surpasses expectations

with its wide range of facilities. Made distinct by its grand sweeping staircase with intricate wrought iron works in its lobby, the hotel offers elegantly appointed 315 luxury rooms including nine Raffles Suites, each featuring a large master bedroom with separate living area and spacious luxury bathroom.

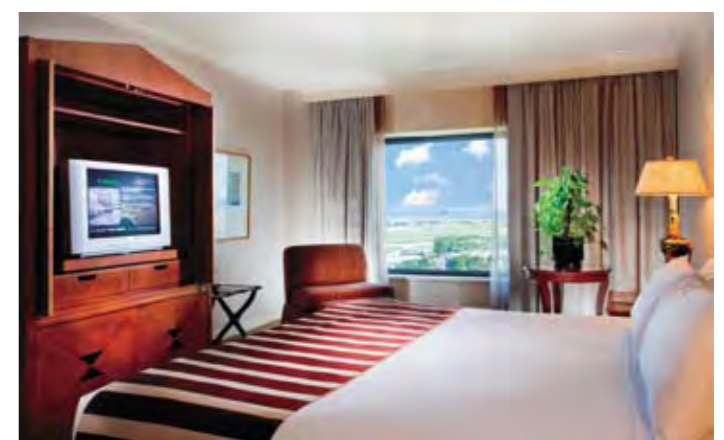
The 2008 and 2009 World Travel Award-winner, and 2010 nominee has been fitted with 8-mm double-glazed, toughened safety glass windows to sound-proof the rooms, and ensure that guests enjoy a good night sleep without obstructing views of the Botany Bay and the airport.

The wide windows provide a thrill of watching planes take off

or land without the noise. Guests are pampered by not only the impeccable service but also impressive facilities, such as a temperature-controlled outdoor pool, sauna and spa, and a well-equipped gym.

Stamford Plaza Sydney Airport is also specially designed for those hosting events, be it a gala dinner or wedding receptions. Its grand ballroom's exquisite chandeliers and high ceilings make it a choice venue.

Ideal for hosting business meetings, too, the hotel has dedicated facilities — 11 rooms and a conference floor, which can house more than 15 exhibition booths — for cosy business briefings, teleconference or even an international conference for 450 delegates.





Gourmet State

Adelaide which has always been known as a great gourmet state serves wonderful seafood and award-winning wines in many of its restaurants. Yet, it is also here that the Stamford Group first introduced its Taste of Singapore selection, which features several renowned Singapore dishes to tease the palates of the well-travelled and those who come from South-east Asia. Check out the nasi padang, laksa, roti prata and curry puffs made from the Orw's family recipe.

Art Gallery, casino, Festival Centre and Rundle Mall. What's more, the popular beachside suburb Glenelg is only a 20-minute door-to-door tram ride or drive away.

Stamford Plaza Adelaide offers 334 luxury guest rooms and suites with views of the parklands or city, and a complete range of convenient facilities for those on business trips or seeking leisure. Besides the bars and restaurants, there is an outdoor rooftop heated pool, spa, sauna and gym to cater to the different needs of guests.

Its central location makes Stamford Plaza Adelaide a hot spot, particularly on the weekends.

Check out the chic and trendy Swish on Terrace which enjoys floor-to-ceiling views of the hustle and bustle of North Terrace. During the day, it appeals to those on the move — a wonderful meeting place or lunch destination for executives — while in the evening, it attracts those who want to enjoy a relaxing drink at the end of the day. The hotel also houses Cascades Cocktail Lounge — the ideal meeting place for pre- and post-dinner or theatre drinks.

A convenient conference centre, the hotel offers 10 specially designed meeting and function rooms, catering to any occasion for up to 300 people.

The Crystal Room, which has its own private lift access, has

been adorned with ornate ceiling patterns and Waterford Crystal chandeliers, offering a spectacular view from its regal ambience.

The grand Terrace Ballroom can be divided into three separate rooms and there are also dedicated boardrooms, which are ideal for small group meetings.



Stamford Plaza Adelaide

150 NORTH TERRACE, ADELAIDE, SA 5000, AUSTRALIA

Feel the pulse of Adelaide when staying in the heart of the city at the Stamford Plaza Adelaide. Located in the city's cultural hub, the hotel is a short stroll from Adelaide's exciting nightlife, bustling shopping precinct and minutes from major tourist attractions including the South Australia Museum,

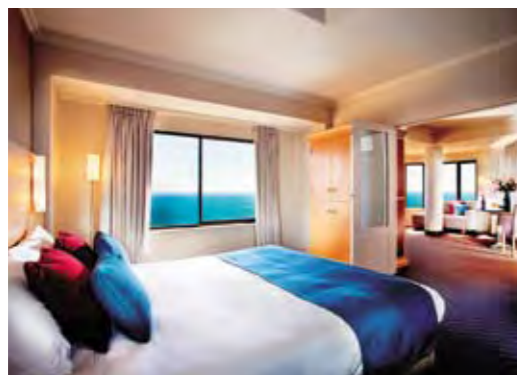


Stamford Grand Adelaide

MOSELEY SQUARE, GLENELG, SA 5045, AUSTRALIA

An impressive long stretch of white sandy beach awaits guests staying at the Stamford Grand Adelaide, which is located on absolute beachfront at one of Adelaide's most popular seaside suburbs, Glenelg. The location is ideal for tourists and locals who want days of leisurely indulgence and perfect for corporate guests who wish to experience a unique environment while on business. A historic town hall, family fun park and a marina are all within walking distance. The convenience of taking the tram to town and back, or strolling down Jetty Road, lined with colourful cafes, restaurants and boutiques, makes this hotel a compelling destination.

One of Australia's leading resort-style hotels, Stamford Grand Adelaide offers 220 spacious guestrooms and suites that promise beautiful ocean views or that of the rolling



Beach Appeal

The beachfront location is appealing not only because it offers numerous distractions, such as the opportunity to see some of the most expensive watercrafts and to ride a catamaran, or to swim with the dolphins, but it is also one of the best spots during peak season to attract merry makers — including those who love sunbathing on the beach.



vistas of the Adelaide Hills.

The hotel houses a terrace-style Promenade Restaurant, making having breakfast or dining by the sea a most romantic experience. And for those who want to enjoy leisurely drinks while watching the sun set, the Grand Bar and Horizons Cocktail Lounge offer a full view of the beach and ocean.

A grand location for

conferences and events, the hotel boasts the largest ballroom within the Stamford Group. The Grand Ballroom, with its large private balcony and spectacular ocean views, is an impressive venue for gala dinners, weddings and special events. The remaining function rooms are designed to optimise natural lighting and give access to outdoor terrace areas — perfect for intimate cocktail parties or small gatherings.





Stamford Plaza Melbourne

111 LITTLE COLLINS STREET,
MELBOURNE, VIC 3000, AUSTRALIA

Ideal as a home away from home for the leisure or business traveller, Stamford Plaza Melbourne, the city's best five-star all-suite hotel, offers guests a chance to wander around the city's most famous laneways and arcades. Situated at the Paris end of Little Collins Street, in the heart of cosmopolitan Melbourne, the hotel is within walking distance to many stylish boutiques, restaurants, theatres and famous sporting venues.

The one, two or three-bedroom suites are generously appointed with kitchen facilities, including a microwave oven and mini bar, spacious dining and



Lap of luxury

The Stamford Plaza Melbourne's indoor swimming pool sports a retractable roof. After a swim, don't miss out on the sauna and spa facilities.

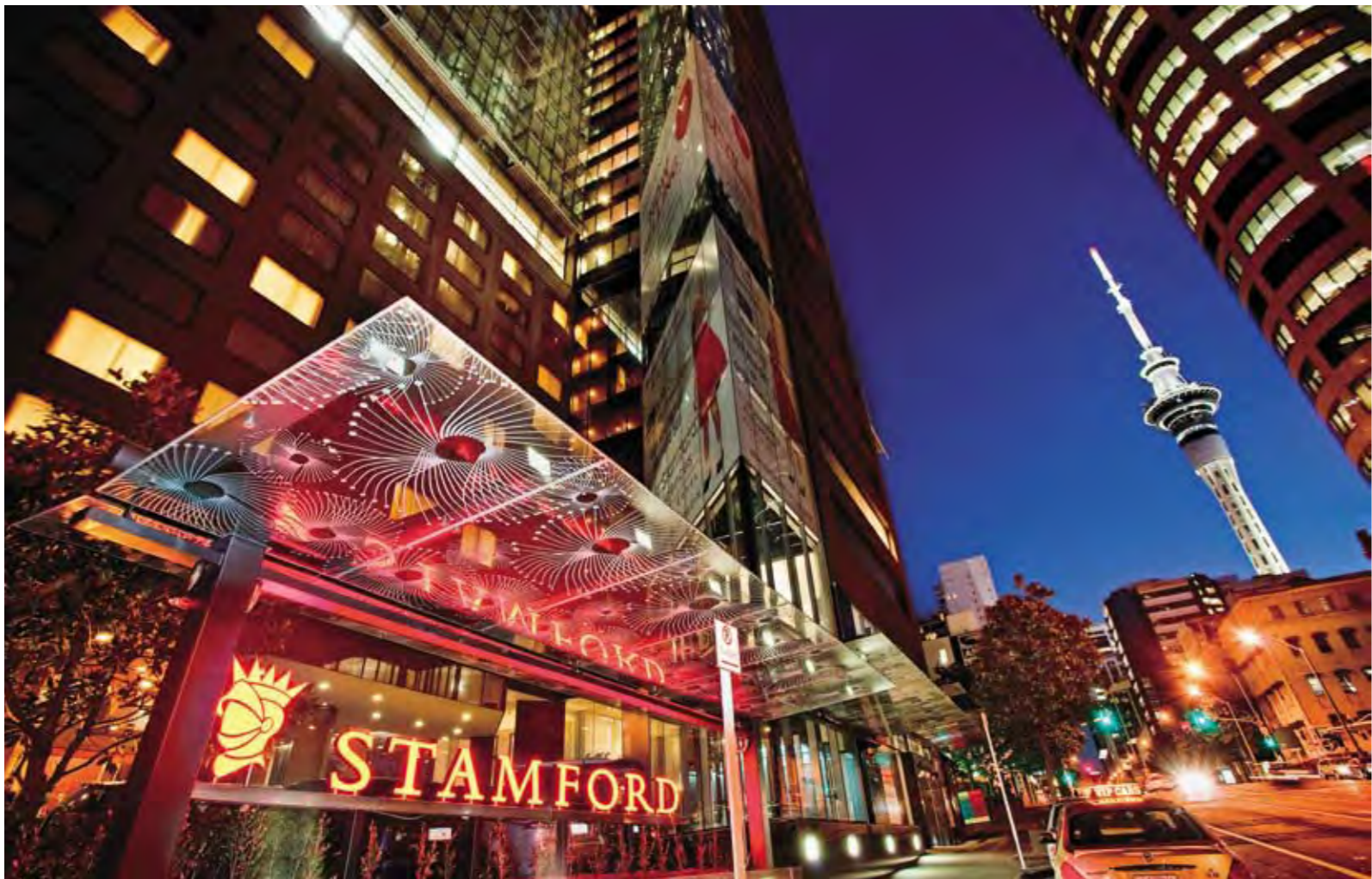


living areas, a lush bedroom, and a bathroom with bath spa and shower facilities. The two penthouses each features a two-bedroom, two-storey apartment — with a king-size bedroom upstairs and an adjacent study, and a queen size bedroom downstairs. It comes with a fully-equipped kitchen, grand dining table, which can seat six people comfortably.

For dining, Harry's Restaurant is open for buffet breakfast and dinner daily. The menu showcases fresh, seasonal local produce and outstanding wines in an intimate setting. Adjacent to this restaurant is Harry's Bar, a favourite for a casual retreat at the end of the day. The *al fresco* set-up in Alfred Place is perfect for late afternoon teas and evening rendezvous.

Its great location also makes it an exceptional meeting and conference venue. There are 12 different rooms that are specially equipped for events of varying sizes. It also has nine conference rooms specially designed to host short meetings as well as full-day conferences.





It is no surprise that both visitors and guests are drawn to the popular Knight's Lobby Bar, the heart and pulse of the foyer. A natural meeting venue for business discussions and relaxation, the bar offers an impressive range of wines and beverages, including a wide range of tap beers during happy hour. The hotel's Knights On Albert Restaurant is an all-day dining outlet, which is renowned for its contemporary international and local cuisine. Also, on this level is the popular Kabuki Teppanyaki Restaurant, voted as one of Auckland's best.

Designed to give its guests a memorable experience, the hotel delights with its well-equipped recreation centre that has been fitted with an indoor heated pool, whirlpool spa, sauna and state-



of-the-art gym, which is open seven days a week. Here, guests enjoy the most stunning views over the cityscape and Waitemata Harbour as they exercise.

Besides its 286 guest rooms including 15 suites, the hotel also offers small and medium-sized conference and event rooms that can cater to up to 300 guests.



Stamford Plaza Auckland

22-26 ALBERT STREET, AUCKLAND, 1001, NEW ZEALAND

The rich Auckland experience will be greatly enhanced at the Stamford Plaza Auckland, which offers recently refurbished modern décor that pleases travellers and visitors who demand top-class service. Conveniently located, the hotel is just a stroll to the Viaduct Harbour and the city's most popular restaurants, shopping malls and night spots. Named New Zealand's leading business hotel

by the 2008 World Travel Awards, it is an ideal meeting place for both business and pleasure.

The Stamford Plaza Auckland bears the benchmark for luxury in the city. Be charmed by the grand lobby and bask in the presence of everything chic in the posh lobby area, which includes a one-of-its-kind Peter Stoneham colour-changing lighting feature that glows subtly in the background.

All Spiced Up

At the Stamford Group, the best known local South-east Asian dishes are easily available. Based on homemade recipes, the group prides its selection of nasi padang menu that tantalises the taste buds of Indonesian aristocracy and Malay sultans. Check out authentic dishes of fish, meat and vegetables cooked in special spices, served with rice and other condiments — perfect as a set meal or corporate lunch.





Top Choice

But the best-kept secret at Sir Stamford at Circular Quay is the Deluxe Harbour View Room. It is a luxurious king-sized suite fitted with a marble-clad bathroom and large private terrace that offers a panoramic view of the Sydney Opera House, the Sydney Harbour Bridge and Circular Quay.



Sir Stamford at Circular Quay

93 MACQUARIE STREET,
SYDNEY, NSW 2000, AUSTRALIA

Ideal for holiday makers and business travellers, Sir Stamford at Circular Quay, which is situated on historic Macquarie Street, exudes Old-world charm and is certainly one of the must-visit places in Sydney.

Located just a stone's throw away from the Royal Botanic Gardens, Sydney Harbour and the Sydney Opera House, the hotel has an extraordinary location that makes it easily accessible to some of the most famous iconic destinations

in the city. It also has the distinction of housing one of Australia's largest private collections of fine art, including 18th century Louis XV and Georgian antiques.

Sir Stamford — which has 105 luxury guest rooms, including 14 suites — appeals to those who are romantic at heart. It offers an elegant and warm ambience, reminiscent of a Victorian mansion. Its lobby and dining room reflect a homely atmosphere furnished by Edwardian and Georgian furniture.



The walls are decorated with antique oil paintings and soft, ambient lighting that transports one to a home in a bygone era. Fine art lovers will be compelled to spend some time admiring the masterpieces in this hotel.

A highlight of this hotel is The Bar. Built in 1899 and listed as a heritage site, it charms visitors with its open fireplace and unique-style bar. Here, diners can enjoy daily meals and relax at the end of the day with a wide range of wines, beers and other beverages.

Suites and guest rooms at this hotel are fitted with French doors opening out to Juliet balconies that overlook Sydney Harbour. Also, the pool deck gives a bird's eye view of the old and new architecture in the city. It is no wonder why this is a favoured spot for intimate parties and corporate functions.



Who stayed at Stamford...

Famous guests who have stayed in recent years



ROYALTY & HEADS OF STATE

Madeleine Albright, former US Secretary of State
 Princess Birgitta of Sweden
 Bill Clinton, former US President
 Queen Elizabeth II
 Goh Chok Tong, Senior Minister and former Prime Minister of Singapore
 Nelson Mandela, former President of South Africa
 Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah
 Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah of Brunei
 Crown Prince Naruhito and Princess Masako of Japan
 Vladimir Putin, Prime Minister of Russia
 King George Tupou V of Tonga



CELEBRITY GUESTS

Bryan Adams	Minnie Driver	REM
Jimmy Barnes	Marcia Hines	Red Hot Chilli Peppers
Blondie	Janet Jackson	Lionel Ritchie
David Bowie	Billy Joel	Rolling Stones
Anthony Callea	Lee Kernaghan	Sandra Sully
Cold Play	Sam Neill	Tina Turner
Sean Connery	Elaine Page	U2
Russell Crowe	Keiran Perkins	Steve Waugh
Johnny Diesel	Suzi Quatro	Stevie Wonder

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