



## **Kiawah Island Awards & Recognitions**

### **The Sanctuary at Kiawah Island Golf Resort**

- Top resorts on Continental U.S. (#19) *Travel + Leisure* (2015)
- Best American Beach Resort (#2) - *Conde Nast Traveler* (2014)
- Best Beach Resort in the world (#3) – *Travel + Leisure* (2015)
- Five Diamond Award – American Automobile Association (2015)
- Five Star Award – Forbes Travel Guide (2016)
- Top Resorts on the U.S. (#4) – *Conde Nast Traveler* (2013)
- Top Beach Resort (#15) – Andrew Harper Readers’ Choice (2013)
- Top 100 Hotels in the world (#81) – *Travel + Leisure* magazine (2015)
- Top Golf Resort in the world (#4) – Andrew Harper Readers’ Choice (2013)
- Gold List Award – *Conde Nast Traveler* (2016)
- Certified Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary – *Audubon International* (2012)
- Superior Deluxe Hotels – *Travel Weekly* (2012) (one of 30 in the U.S. and 106 world-wide)

### **Kiawah Island Spa (at The Sanctuary)**

- Five Star Award – Forbes Travel Guide (2016)
- Best Hotel Spas in America (#11) – *Travel + Leisure* (2011)
- Top Spas in the U.S. (#18) – *Conde Nast Traveler* (2014)
- World’s Best Spas-U.S. (#10), World (#30) – *Travel and Leisure* (2013)

### **Kiawah Island Golf Resort**

- Platinum Resort – *Golf Magazine* (2016)
- Top U.S. Golf Resort (#3) – *Conde Nast Traveler* (2012)
- Top U.S. Resort (#17) – *Conde Nast Traveler* (2014)
- Conde Nast Johansens Awards for Excellence-Most Excellent Golf Resort (2011)
- *Travel + Leisure’s* Top Family Hotels in the U.S. & Canada (#13) (2015)
- Best U.S. Golf Resort (#2) – *Global Traveler* magazine (2011)
- Top U.S. Resort (#1) – *Golf World* magazine (2010)
- One of the “Top 25 Golf Resorts in the World” – *Links Magazine* (2013)
- Best Golf Resorts in the Americas – *Golf Digest* (2016)

### **Kiawah Island Golf**

- Rankings:
  - #1 Golf Course in South Carolina (The Ocean Course) – *Golf Digest* (2012)
  - #2 Golf Resort in the World – CNN Go (CNN International) (2012)
  - America’s Toughest Course (The Ocean Course #8) – *Golf Digest* (2015)
  - America’s Toughest Course (The Ocean Course #4) – *GOLF Magazine* (2012)
  - Top 100 You Can Play (The Ocean Course #5) – *GOLF Magazine* (2014)
  - America’s 100 Greatest Public Courses (The Ocean Course #3) – *Golf Digest* (2015)
  - Top 100 Modern Courses in America (The Ocean Course #14) – *GolfWeek* (2015)
  - Top 100 Courses in America (The Ocean Course #20) - *Golf Digest* (2015)
  - Top 100 Courses in the World (The Ocean Course #44) - *Golf Digest* (2016)

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- Top 100 Courses in the U.S. (The Ocean Course #25) – *GOLF Magazine* (2015)
- Top 100 Courses in the World (The Ocean Course #50) – *GOLF Magazine* (2015)
- Architects' Choice Top 100 Golf Courses (The Ocean Course #33) – *Golf Course Architecture Magazine* (2013)
- Top 100 Resort Courses in America (The Ocean Course #8) – *GolfWeek* (2013)
- Top 10 Courses in the U.S. and the World (The Ocean Course) – *Travel Channel* (2014)
- Course Ratings: (2010)
  - 5-star rating (The Ocean Course) – *Golf Digest's "Best Places to Play" guide*
  - 4 ½ -star rating (Turtle Point, Osprey Point and Oak Point) – *Golf Digest's "Best Places to Play" guide*
  - 4-star rating (Cougar Point) – *Golf Digest's "Best Places to Play" guide*
  - No. 14 (Osprey Point) – *Golf Digest's "Top 50 courses for women"*
- Tournament Golf:
  - The Ocean Course, host:
    - 1991 Ryder Cup, 1997 and 2003 World Cups, 2001 UBS Warburg Cup, 2007 Senior PGA Championship, 2012 PGA Championship, 2013 Carolina Amateur, site of the 2021 PGA Championship

### **Kiawah Island Tennis**

- No. 1 Tennis Resort in the World – *tennisresortsonline.com* (2015) – No. 1 eight of the last ten years)

### **Kiawah Island Meetings**

- Pinnacle Award – *Successful Meetings* (11 years)
- Gold Key Award – *Meetings & Conventions* (12 years) (M&C Gold Key Hall of Fame)
- Gold Tee Award – *Meetings & Conventions* (14 years)
- “Stars of the South” Award – *Meetings South* (10 years)
- Golden Links Award – *Corporate Meetings & Incentives* (11 years)
- Planners' Choice Award – *Meeting News* (10 years)
- Greens of Distinctions – *Corporate Meetings & Incentives* (8 years)
- One of the “South's Top 18 Golf Retreats For Groups” - *ConventionSouth Magazine* (2014)

### **Kiawah Island Dining**

- Best of Award of Excellence (Ocean Room) – *Wine Spectator*
- Best Down Home Cookery (Jasmine Porch) – *Andrew Harper's Hideaway Report*
- Restaurant of the Year (Ocean Room) – *Charleston Post and Courier* (2010)
- One of only Five Forbes 4-star/AAA 4-diamond steakhouse in the U.S. (Ocean Room) (2016)

### **Kiawah Island**

- No. 1 island in Western Hemisphere and No. 2 island in the world (behind Palawan, Philippines) – *Conde Nast Traveler* (2014)
- No. 8 island in North America – *Conde Nast Traveler* (2015)
- Happiest Seaside Town – *Coastal Living* (2012)
- Top 10 beaches in America (#8) – Dr. Stephen Leatherman (aka Dr. Beach) – [www.drbeach.org](http://www.drbeach.org) (2015)
- No. 5 island in Continental U.S. and Canada – *Travel + Leisure* (2015)