

## MEDIA RELEASE

# Alexandrina tourism operators take out six State awards

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Alexandrina Council extends its congratulations to the six tourism businesses who collected gold, silver and bronze awards in the 2023 South Australian Tourism Awards on Friday night.

The Fleurieu Peninsula was the most decorated region with fourteen medals and six of them going to businesses based in the Alexandrina Council district including:

**Gold:**

- Kool Tours - Aboriginal & Torres Strait Island Tourism Experiences
- Beach Huts Middleton - 4-4.5 Star Deluxe Accommodation
- Spirit of the Coorong (Goolwa) - Tour & Transport Operators

**Silver:**

- Kimbolton Wines (Langhorne Creek) – Tourism Wineries
- Anita Robin, The Foodbuilder (Goolwa) – Excellence in Food Tourism.

**Bronze:**

- Carriage of Occasion (Strathalbyn) – Tour & Transport Operators.

“I am not surprised that Alexandrina has enjoyed so much success in the 2023 tourism awards,” Alexandrina Council Mayor Keith Parkes said.

“Our region has so much to offer visitors when it comes to beautiful scenery, natural attractions, recreational and cultural activities, and top-quality food and wine.

“Tourism is a key industry for our region and Alexandrina takes great pride in being a small business friendly Council.

“Through our local business support program Business Alexandrina, we have been working with many tourism operators to help them to step up to the next level through mentoring, training and other support services.

“It’s exciting to see Kool Tours, Beach Huts Middleton, Spirit of the Coorong, Kimbolton Wines and Carriage of Occasion go from strength to strength but to see Anita Robin’s cooking classes, Foodbuilder win an award for the first time is a real thrill.

“It’s a testament to the dedication of those operators who have been working with the Business Alexandrina team to achieve great results.

“I would also like to extend my congratulations to all the finalists, including our own SA Wooden Boat Festival Committee.

“All our finalists have demonstrated the excellence and innovation provided by all the tourism experiences in our region.”

The South Australian Tourism Awards are delivered annually by the Tourism Industry Council South Australia (TICSA) and are supported by the Government of South Australia through the South Australian Tourism Commission.

The Awards recognise business excellence and outstanding achievement in the state’s tourism industry. Winners were announced at a Gala Dinner on Friday 3 November at the Adelaide Convention Centre.

For the full list of winners and medallists, visit the [TICSA website](#).

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