

## Castle Leslie Estate Has the Midas Touch Scooping Three Gold Medals in Hotel Oscars

**CASTLE LESLIE ESTATE** proved it has the Midas Touch once again when it scooped three gold medal awards at the prestigious *Hotel & Catering Review Gold Medal Awards*. The stunning Monaghan estate triumphed at the 26th Annual Gold Medal Awards last night, winning the hotly-contested *Gold Medal Awards for Best Breakfast in Ireland, Best Hideaway of the Year and Best Customer Experience*.

Castle Leslie Estate was also short-listed as a finalist in four other highly competitive categories; Best Guesthouse, Best Value for Money, Best Fine Dining and Best Country House.

Run by leading hospitality industry magazine, *Hotel & Catering Review*, and judged by an independent jury of experienced hospitality practitioners, the Gold Medal Awards are widely regarded as the most prestigious and coveted awards in the business. A total of 20 category awards were presented by Anton Savage at this year's gala ceremony in Dublin's Double Tree by Hilton (formerly The Burlington Hotel) on 22 September, which was attended by over 400 leading hoteliers, restaurateurs and caterers from across Ireland.

Running for 26 years, the *Hotel & Catering Review Gold Medal Awards* are intensely competitive, drawing entries from hundreds of hotel, restaurant, guesthouse, club, spa and catering businesses every year. Each entrant is rigorously assessed by members of the Gold Medal Awards Jury who travelled over 20,000 kilometres across the island this summer to search for the Ireland's greatest purveyors of hospitality.

General Manager Brian Baldwin says: *"I couldn't be more proud! To come home with one award is a fantastic achievement, but three is just exceptional. It's hard to take in. The team at Castle Leslie Estate is what makes this all happen. Without their hard work and their commitment to each and every guest to make their experience magical, this simply would not happen. To achieve these awards and the recognition amongst the best hotels on the island of Ireland is just wonderful. Thank you!"*