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The best hotels in South America: 2025 Readers' Choice Awards

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Maybe it's the [*Paddington*](#) effect, but after a period of domestic turmoil, [Peru](#) is back in the game, fielding no less than eight hotels on our [South America](#) list – including [Inkaterra La Casona](#), set in a 16th-century manor house where

Simón Bolívar once stayed. Another top pick from the Peruvian eco-hotel brand was [Inkaterra Machu Picchu Pueblo](#) for its village location near the mystical Incan ruins, while others revelled in South America's natural beauty. [Explora El Chaltén](#), for instance, buries its smart lodge complex at the heart of the glorious Argentinian Patagonia, and Brazil's [Villas de Trancoso](#) unfurls its beach house cluster across both white-sand coastline and tropical jungle. Ultimately, it was Brazil's colourful capital which stole the show, with its [dazzling landmark palace](#) crowned as your favourite South American base.

These are the best hotels in South America, according to the 2025 [Readers' Choice Awards](#). The scores below are percentages representing overall average levels of satisfaction.



The best hotels in South America

20. [Casa San Agustín](#), Cartagena, Colombia. Score 87.67
19. [Pugio](#), Colca Valley, Peru. Score 88.44
18. [Palacio del Inka, a Luxury Collection Hotel](#), Cusco, Peru. Score 88.91
17. [Mandarin Oriental, Santiago](#), Chile. Score 89.40
16. [Villas de Trancoso](#), Brazil. Score 90.62
15. [Rio Sagrado, a Belmond Hotel](#), Sacred Valley, Peru. Score 91.25

14. [Hotel Magnolia](#), Santiago, Chile. Score 92.34
13. [Hotel AWA](#), Puerto Varas, Chile. Score 92.73
12. [Fasano Rio de Janeiro](#), Brazil. Score 93.90
11. [Palacio Nazarenas, a Belmond Hotel](#), Cusco, Peru. Score 94.72
10. [Palácio Tangará](#), São Paulo, Brazil. Score 94.75
9. [Explora El Chaltén](#), Argentina. Score 95.60
8. [Cirqa](#), Arequipa, Peru. Score 96.35
7. [Inkaterra Machu Picchu Pueblo Hotel](#), Peru. Score 96.52
6. [Hotel Casa Real](#), Maipo Valley, Chile. Score 96.91
5. [Titilaka](#), Puno, Peru. Score 97.25
4. [Blue Apple Beach](#), Bolívar, Colombia. Score 97.79
3. [The Ritz-Carlton, Santiago](#), Chile. Score 98.15
2. [Inkaterra La Casona](#), Cusco, Peru. Score 98.75
1. [Copacabana Palace, a Belmond Hotel](#), Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Score 99.98