

Media Release



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Silky Oaks Lodge Names Benjamin Brown as General Manager

Baillie Lodges' luxury rainforest bolthole Silky Oaks Lodge in Tropical North Queensland has named esteemed tourism industry leader Benjamin Brown as General Manager for the property.

Ben is already ensconced and heading up the team at the award-winning 40-suite property set on the banks of the Mossman River. Ben is joined by Assistant Lodge Manager Glen Luckhurst in managing day-to-day operations at the property and seeking new ways for guests to best experience the pristine rainforest environment and discover its First Nations cultural heritage.

Ben's career in hospitality and tourism is fuelled by a love of travel and of working with people and the community. He brings to the role an impressive line-up of leadership roles in Australia's regional tourism sector, including as General Manager at Voyages Ayers Rock Resort, at Vali Byron Bay and at Cooina Lodge in Kakadu National Park.

Baillie Lodges Chief Operating Officer Craig Bradbery said the team at Silky Oaks Lodge was thrilled to welcome Ben to the leadership role.

"With his long career in high-end experiential tourism and guest-facing roles, Ben has fitted in effortlessly with the Baillie Lodges family," Mr Bradbery said.

"We're excited to continue to bring innovations to this renowned property to deliver a memory-making experience of the Daintree Rainforest and Mossman Gorge regions for our guests.

"Hot off the presses are the new full day bespoke Rock Art and Heli Adventure with Indigenous operator Jarramali and the Feast for the Senses lunch and spa package for local residents and visitors to the region, just for starters," he said.

Editors' Notes: Baillie Lodges is a growing portfolio of luxury lodges renowned for setting benchmarks in premium experiential travel. Set in exclusive locations of unique natural or cultural significance, the boutique properties appeal to the discerning global traveller seeking a remarkable experience. The Australia-based collection was founded in 2003 by James and Hayley Baillie and includes, Capella Lodge on Lord Howe Island, Southern Ocean Lodge on Kangaroo Island, Longitude 131° at Uluru-Kata Tjuta, Silky Oaks Lodge at the Daintree Rainforest, and The Louise in the Barossa Valley. In 2019, an affiliate of KSL Capital Partners acquired Baillie Lodges with the aim to further expand the unique collection of luxury lodges. The 2022 addition of Chile's esteemed Tierra Hotels group marked a continuation of the collection's foray into international waters, joining the Clayoquot Wilderness Lodge on Canada's Vancouver Island and New Zealand's Huka Lodge. Baillie Lodges' Australian properties are honoured as members of [Luxury Lodges of Australia](https://www.baillielodges.com.au). For more information, please visit [baillielodges.com.au](https://www.baillielodges.com.au).