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Woodlands in Windermere Achieve Five star Boutique Accommodation Status.

Sarah and Alan Ayres, proprietors of Woodlands in Windermere, are pleased to announce the award of a fifth star by the AA, which has been awarded for their exceptional standards of quality guest accommodation and service.

CUMBRIA, UK, October 15, 2008 **/24-7PressRelease/** -- Woodlands Hotel in Windermere is a handsome Edwardian Villa situated between the villages of Windermere and Bowness in Cumbria - the Lake District, just a few minutes away from the shores of Lake Windermere. Guests will enjoy the luxury, stylish and contemporary Boutique accommodation being offered at Woodlands, which has now been formally recognised as being one of the finest hotels in the Lake District. There are a total of fifteen luxury and en-suite guest bedrooms including a choice of single, double or twin bedded rooms. The resident's bar and lounge is an exciting space for guests to relax after a long day's site seeing and exploring.

According to the AA, a five star Guest House needs to demonstrate an awareness of each guest's needs with nothing being too much trouble. All bedrooms must be en-suite or have a private bathroom, with excellent quality beds and furnishings. Breakfast must include specials/home-made items, high quality ingredients, and fresh local produce.

The AA inspector who recently undertook an overnight inspection of Woodlands said it was lovely to return this Windermere Guest house and find the refurbishment completed with a high level of comfort being offered to guests. The inspector commented on the brand new bedrooms and bathrooms, saying they had the biggest impact on the level of quality, stylishly decorated and well equipped. The standards of service and hospitality were also highlights of the stay with members of staff demonstrating a friendly, welcoming attitude and spontaneity. The choice at breakfast has been increased, with quality items offered on the buffet and a tasty, accurately cooked hot dish.

The award of a fifth star provides a formal recognition for all of Sarah and Alan's hard work during the past five years since taking over Woodlands back in 2003. They have created a beautiful fifteen bedroom non-smoking Lake District boutique hotel in Windermere, just a short walk from Bowness and Lake Windermere. It is perfectly located for exploring the area which holds attractions such the Windermere Steamboat Museum, the very popular Tales of Beatrix Potter Museum and Lake District National Park Visitor Centre at Brockhole. They go that extra mile to source fresh local produce for the guest's breakfast. That coupled with the exquisite ensuite bedrooms, with the focus on style and comfort and the complimentary pass to Parklands Country Club's leisure facilities, the Woodlands Hotel offers a complete package. Their main purpose is to exceed all the guest's expectations and they work hard to encourage guests to return to Woodlands year on year.

The newly refurbished rooms have not compromised or neglected their environmental policy. They continue to support the Tourism and Conservation Partnership and hold a CBEN bronze award for good environmental practice. With the escalating effects of using a car on both the environmental impact and the rise in fuel costs, Woodlands offer a collection service from Windermere train station.

Further information can be found at their website <http://www.woodlands-windermere.co.uk>.

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