

## ROCKLIFFE HALL WINS SPA OF THE YEAR 2011



### in Laterooms.com Best Kept Secrets Award

*October 2011:* Five star country retreat [Rockliffe Hall](http://www.rockliffehall.com) in County Durham has been awarded 'Spa of the Year 2011' in the annual Laterooms.com Best Kept Secret Awards. The judges including Rachel Sullivan, Travel Editor of Easy Living, said of the Spa at Rockliffe Hall, "Top class facilities and service, and the spa butlers are a lovely, unique touch."

Rockliffe Hall's stunning 50,000 square foot spa continually delivers the latest in spa initiatives with annual Sleep and Mindfulness Retreats, Nordic Walking through the 375 acre estate, and the recently launched Weight Loss Clinic with Pete Cohen. Liz Holmes, Spa Director has also been shortlisted for the Spa Professional of the Year in this years' Hotel Cateys which will be announced next month.

Commenting on the Laterooms.com award, Liz says, "We are thrilled to have been recognised as the best spa in the UK 2011 in the Laterooms.com Best Kept Secret Awards. This award is testament to the hard work, dedication and commitment of every single member of our team. "

*LateRooms.com's Offline Marketing Manager Lynda Matthews said:* "Discovering the UK's best-kept secrets is always an exciting time for us. These hotels really are the crème de la crème in their industry, offering beautiful food, views, interiors and services to their customers and we are proud to have them on LateRooms.com.

The Spa at Rockliffe Hall has thirteen individually designed treatment rooms, a VIP Couples suite and Rasul Mud room. Further facilities include one of the UK's largest hydrotherapy pools; a twenty metre indoor heated swimming pool and eight thermal suites including a Tepidarium with warm beds, Caldarium steam room and Tropicarium, high humidity Sauna and ice igloo.

The spa features custom-designed treatments by Ila, the artisan organic skincare brand and a new line of eco-cosmesis products – Sacred Nature by Comfort Zone, the eco-friendly Italian skin care company.

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**Notes to Editors**

Opened in November 2009 **Rockliffe Hall** ([www.rockliffehall.com](http://www.rockliffehall.com)) in County Durham is set on 375 acres on the banks of the River Tees just outside the village of Hurworth. The heart of this privately owned hotel is a wonderfully Gothic mansion, the former home of the family behind the Stockton to Darlington Railway and Barclays Bank. It was designed by Alfred Waterhouse, the architect responsible for the Natural History Museum in London. With 61 spacious guestrooms and suites; two bars, a gourmet restaurant 'Kenny Atkinson at The Orangery'; 12 meeting and event rooms; an 18-hole championship golf course; a dreamy 50,000 square foot spa and wellness centre featuring ILA and Comfort Zone products and treatments and a 20 metre indoor swimming pool. Rockliffe Hall is five minutes from Darlington Railway Station and Durham and Tees Valley Airport. It is a two and a half hour train journey to London and two hours by train to Edinburgh. The historic city of Durham is on the doorstep, as are Newcastle, York, Leeds and the Yorkshire Dales. Newcastle International Airport is an hour away.