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*Setsu Niseko Crowned 'Best Ski Hotel in Japan' at the 2025 World Ski Awards
Following its recent Michelin Key recognition, the accolade further cements
Setsu Niseko's reputation as one of the world's top ski hotels.*

NISEKO, Japan, 11 November 2025 - SC Global Developments' inaugural hotel, [Setsu Niseko](#), is the proud winner of the "[Japan's Best Ski Hotel](#)" title at the 13th Annual World Ski Awards, the only global awards programme dedicated to celebrating and recognising excellence in ski tourism.



Announced on 10th November 2025, the results of the World Ski Awards saw industry leaders, professionals, and ski enthusiasts from around the world vote for their favourite ski destinations, brands, and hotels, determining the year's champions. An exquisite haven nestled in Niseko, the heart of Japan's powder paradise; Setsu Niseko was one of 18 hotels shortlisted for the prestigious title of 'Japan's Best Ski Hotel' from over 400 ski resorts across Japan. This latest accolade, together with Setsu Niseko's consecutive recognition as a One MICHELIN Key hotel in both 2024 and 2025, further cements its position amongst the world's top ski hotels.

Elated by this welcome news, Simon Cheong, Founder and Chairman of SC Global

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Developments, and visionary behind the development of Setsu Niseko, remarked, *“This continued recognition by the World Ski Awards and Michelin Group is a testament to SC Global Developments’ commitment to creating experiences that combine thoughtful design, Japanese craftsmanship, and genuine service. Being recognised among the world’s finest ski hotels reaffirms our belief in delivering timeless luxury to our owners and guests, and is a credit to the hard work and dedication of the Setsu Niseko team.”*

Setsu Niseko’s Hotel Manager, Michiko Tamoto, also expressed her delight at this recent achievement. *“We are deeply honoured to be recognised as Japan’s Best Ski Hotel at this year’s World Ski Awards. This award is a reflection of our commitment to provide the best possible experience for our guests, and we could not have done it without the support of our guests, the local community, and everyone involved with Setsu Niseko. We look forward to creating more memorable stay experiences for our guests, not only in winter but all year round.”*

Since opening its doors in 2022, Setsu Niseko has garnered numerous accolades, including the coveted title of “World’s Best New Ski Hotel” at the 2023 World Ski Awards. Today, Setsu Niseko stands out for its exceptional guest experiences, warm Japanese hospitality, and refined service.

A complete list of winners of the World Ski Awards is available at: <https://worldskiawards.com/winners/2025>

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About Setsu Niseko

Setsu Niseko combines the hallmarks of a classic alpine destination with an authentic Japanese experience. Offering a deep-rooted sense of place and connection to nature, the hotel presents 190 luxury suites framed by the majestic Mount Yotei and the slopes of Mount Annupuri. The beautifully appointed apartment-style accommodation, ranging from 40sqm studios to expansive five-bedroom penthouses, each suite reflects the understated elegance of Japanese design while embracing the warmth and comfort of alpine living.

Setsu Niseko is home to one of the region's largest wellness centres and most diverse dining destinations. Six distinct restaurants and bar dedicated to championing the wholesome flavours of Hokkaido produce include *méli mélo – Yuki No Koe* - an all-day dining concept by Michelin-acclaimed Chef Hironori Sato and Baristart Coffee; *Sushi Kato INORI* for ocean-to-table kaiseki; *Tempura Araki*, sister to its Michelin-starred counterpart in Sapporo; *AFURI*, renowned for its signature ramen; and *Luke's Alpine Club*, a stylish chophouse by the Travis Masiero Group. *Park90 Niseko* further enhances the experience with its bespoke wine collection.

The 750sqm wellness centre offers indoor and outdoor mineral-rich onsens, private onsen rooms, spa lounge, gymnasium, and yoga studio by Studio En. At its heart, Rikka Spa – managed in collaboration with Lapidem Tokyo – blends nature-inspired therapies with modern treatments for complete rejuvenation.

The magnificence of Mount Yotei—affectionately known as “Little Fuji”—forms a focal point for much of the hotel. Each suite is designed to showcase mountain views, with window-side daybeds overlooking the mountains, the village or courtyard gardens. Tatami rooms seamlessly extend the living space, whilst shoji screens, a curated collection of local artworks and extensive use of wood throughout the suite create a warm and inviting retreat. With each suite including a fully equipped kitchen and laundry facilities, *Setsu's* home-away-from-home experience is ideal for extended stays or family holidays.

All the fundamentals of a classic après-ski experience are present in *Setsu Niseko*. Other amenities and creature comforts akin to a fine hotel include in-suite dining, children's playroom, business centre, seasonal events, hotel shuttle service, courtyard gardens, and indoor car parking. Winter facilities include a ski boutique and rental service by *Rhythm Japan*, ski concierge and locker rooms.

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About SC Global Developments

[SC Global Developments](#) is a leading developer of up-market residences of rare and exquisite design quality, with an emphasis on craftsmanship, refinement and a contemporary definition of the premium lifestyle. The Group embraces a philosophy of delivering the promise of 'The Ultimate Living' experience with all its projects introducing original living concepts, service standards and architectural treatment to its various properties. Completed developments include the iconic architectural landmark *Sculptura Ardmore*, Singapore's only beachfront development *Seven Palms*, *Sentosa Cove*, the unparalleled luxury of *The Marq on Paterson Hill*, fittingly described as 'Mansions in the Sky', *Hilltops*, the botanical resort-themed residential haven overlooking Orchard Road, and *Martin No.38*, conceptualised on the appeal of trendy warehouse lofts. In 2018, the Group launched their new '*Petit Collectibles*' collection designed for those seeking stylish pied-à-terre apartments within prime city locations.

The development of '*Setsu Niseko*' is aligned with the Group's geographical diversification and strategy to participate in the growing tourism market in Japan, through the acquisition of prime real estate in destinations around the region.

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