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## **The Guide to Meeting Sites in the South Reveals “Top 100 Southern Hospitality Hotels For Groups” *South Carolina Claims Six Winners***

GULF SHORES, Ala. (June 24, 2014)—The Editors of *ConventionSouth* magazine, a national multimedia resource for planning events that are held within the South and the publishers of the annual Guide to Meeting Sites in the South, have announced their 2014 Hot Picks for the “Top 100 Southern Hospitality Hotels for Groups.” This list is comprised of hotels with meeting space located throughout 16 states in the U.S. South and the Caribbean Seas region. Hotels were nominated by the readers and fans of *ConventionSouth* magazine, then researched and verified for qualification by *ConventionSouth* editorial team.

In South Carolina, four hotels made the list:

**Kiawah Island Golf Resort**  
**Sonesta Resort Hilton Head Island**  
**Pawleys Plantation Golf & Country Club**  
**Francis Marion Hotel**  
**Marina Inn at Grande Dunes**  
**The Willcox**

A complete list of the hotels selected for the “Top 100 Southern Hospitality Hotels for Groups” can be found online at [www.conventionsouth.com/sohohotels.htm](http://www.conventionsouth.com/sohohotels.htm) and on Pinterest at <http://www.pinterest.com/conventionsouth/southern-hospitality-hotels>

Editors sought nominations for hotels with ample meeting space that offer an attractive, charming appearance as well as provide top-of-the line service. “It is with great honor to recognize these hotels,” said *ConventionSouth* Editor/Associate Publisher Marlane Bundock. “For a hotel to offer Southern hospitality, it’s location, aesthetics, amenities and staff must present an all-around welcoming spirit for groups and attendees from across the country and world.”

Along with releasing this list online today, editors will reveal the list this August within *The Guide to Meetings Sites in the South*, an annual directory that showcases the most proactive meeting sites in the South as well as how-to insight on hosting meetings & events with authentic Southern hospitality and charm.

**ABOUT THE MAGAZINE:** Celebrating 30 years as a leading meeting planning resource, *ConventionSouth* magazine is based in Gulf Shores, Ala., and is circulated to more than 18,000 meeting professionals located across the country that book meetings held within the South, according to Bundock.

**ABOUT THE GUIDE TO MEETING SITES IN THE SOUTH:** Each August, *ConventionSouth* magazine publishes *The Guide to Meeting Sites in the South*, which is distributed to 18,000+ meeting planners across the country and available online in a searchable format. The guide is the definitive reference book for meeting planners and buyers to obtain up-to-date-contact information and detailed site data on hundreds of the top meeting suppliers in the South. For more information on the guide, including signing up for a free copy and to list a meeting venue, visit [www.conventionsouth.com/advertise/directoryoptions.htm](http://www.conventionsouth.com/advertise/directoryoptions.htm)

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