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| **Air New Zealand flies high after double win at World Travel Awards** |

Air New Zealand has been named Australasia’s Leading Airline at the 2014 World Travel Awards for the sixth year in a row.

The airline was also awarded Australasia’s Leading Airport Lounge for the Air New Zealand Lounge at Christchurch International Airport for the second year in a row.

The annual awards, voted by travel and tourism professionals across the globe, recognise the airline’s continuing excellence over the past 12 months.

Air New Zealand General Manager Customer Experience Carrie Hurihanganui says the awards reflect the airline’s commitment to ensure a seamless customer journey.

“We’ve placed strong emphasis on enhancing the customer experience at every touch point in the customer journey.  It’s fantastic to have this work recognised by these awards which are testament to the efforts of our staff who work incredibly hard to deliver our unique Kiwi service every day,” says Ms Hurihanganui.

The 2014 World Travel Awards were announced overnight in New Delhi, India.