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## **BEST SMALL HOTEL IN SUFFOLK** **It's the Olde Bull Inn at Barton Mills**

At the glitzy Suffolk Tourism Awards bash in Ipswich on 29th September 2011 The Olde Bull Inn at Barton Mills was awarded "**Best Small Hotel**". The quirky historic Inn located just off the A11 near Mildenhall has seen huge investment over the last five years and is now a real shining star in Suffolk. By winning this award The Olde Bull Inn are in a fantastic position when it comes to the national awards in April 2012.....watch this space!

These prestigious awards are independently assessed and judged by a panel of industry experts and the winners have demonstrated exemplary facilities and exceptionally high standards of customer care reflecting the expectations of today's traveller. In addition, it's important they showed a commitment to sustainability, recycling and the environment.

One of the independent judges said there was no question over the winning hotel! Owner Cheryl Hickman said "it is fantastic that we have been chosen as the **Best Small Hotel**, it is a real credit to the whole team here, to get down to the last three was great but to win is amazing! We strive to exceed customer expectations on all occasions and we as a team thrive on creating happy memories for our guests".

The Inn simply oozes with character and a unique charm which has been created by current owners Cheryl, Wayne & Sonia. Since buying the hotel in 2007, the historic old coaching inn has been treated to a full refurbishment, giving it an individual and quirky feel! It has 14 bedrooms with a boutique twist, including a "Zebra" room and a "Princess" room along with a charming bar and award winning restaurant.

The awards recognise the excellent standards being achieved within the tourism industry throughout Suffolk. They highlight the superb quality and excellent customer service within the industry, as well as some outstanding examples of best practice in welcoming visitors with disabilities, promoting local produce and looking after the environment.

The work doesn't stop here though, at The Olde Bull Inn the work never stops and the young team are always striving for more! so watch this space!

### **Further information about The Olde Bull:**

<http://www.bullinn-bartonmills.com>

### **Contact for further details:**

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**Other shortlisted hotels:** White Lion, Aldeburgh, The Crown, Southwold