



SUSTAINABILITY

Fairmont Resort & Spa Blue Mountains, MGallery by Sofitel is committed to and has an emphasis on environmental sustainability by reducing our carbon footprint, energy, water and gas usage, improved recycling of waste across all areas of the hotel and further educating our team of the importance and benefits of being environmentally mindful.

PLANET 21

Planet 21 consists of seven pillars of sustainability; health, nature, carbon, innovation, local, employment, and dialogue. As part of the global hotel group AccorHotels, Fairmont Resort & Spa Blue Mountains, MGallery by Sofitel actively participates in Planet 21. On a global level, Accor's Plant for the Planet initiative asks our customers to reuse their towels. Savings made on water and energy are used to fund tree planting. As a result, one tree is planted every minute. Fairmont Resort & Spa Blue Mountains, MGallery by Sofitel actively promotes and contributes to this cause with Planet 21 information in each room encouraging sustainable practices of re-using towels, turning off air conditioning and lights, and supporting local attractions and suppliers.

One of the focuses of Planet 21 is healthy and sustainable food. The Resort has committed to this sustainable vision by offering healthy, balanced and high-quality menus: we use herbs grown in our kitchen gardens and local produce. We actively reduce food waste by providing our team members at the end of their shift high-quality food for breakfast, lunch, and dinner that may not be used by guests.

TRIPADVISOR GREENLEADERS GOLD LEVEL STATUS

The Tripadvisor GreenLeaders Programme showcases a variety of eco-friendly hotels committed to green practices. The resort has proudly achieved gold level status: Having linen and towel re-use plans, tracking energy usage on a regular basis, recycling, using energy efficient light bulbs, educating staff and guests on green practices and properly treating wastewater.

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WASTE REDUCTION

- Recycle electric and electronic equipment
- Continued use of an EDGE energy metering system which facilitates the analysis and management of energy throughout the entire resort building
- Collect and recycle cooking oil and edible fat
- Our Executive Chef has actively reduced food wastage by donating surplus business events stock to local community food rescue project, Earth Recovery Australia

GAS REDUCTION

- Energy efficient boilers resulting in 20% savings in gas
- Kitchen designed more energy efficient by using more gas than electrical equipment

SUSTAINABILITY ACTIVITIES

- Installation of in-house Britta water filter system for the Business Events department, saving 20,000 plastic water bottles from going to land fill with cost savings of \$6,500 per annum
- 2 x electric vehicle charge points available to guests
- Cardboard compactor available to reduce the number of cardboard recycling pick-ups per week, effectively reducing carbon footprint with less trucks on the road (staff trained on use)
- Office staff are encouraged to use paper-less administration practices
- Native garden regeneration project – our staff gardeners are in charge of this and we have introduced this as a conference guest activity to plant a native in the garden
- We have biodegradable coffee cups, takeaway boxes and straws
- Onsite worm farm
- 100kw Solar power panels and generator on the rooftop



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