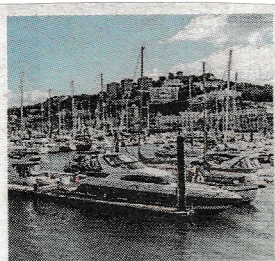


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Rival to Basil Fawlty's B&B best in world

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A TORQUAY B&B has been named the best on the planet – even though sitcom Fawlty Towers was famously set in the town.

Guest house The 25, owned by Andy and Julian Banner-Price, came top for the second year running.

The five-star B&B is a world away from Basil Fawlty's chaotic establishment, which was inspired by the now closed Gleneagles Hotel in South Devon's seaside resort.

Andy, 47, said: "We've tried to look at every little thing we can do to improve and it feels like that effort has really paid off."

Meanwhile Huis Konin in Bruges, Belgium, came second and the Americus Garden Inn in Georgia, US came third in TripAdvisor's Travellers' Choice awards.