

# THE HOT LIST

February 2021

Melbourne, Victoria

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# KEY PILLARS

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## FOOD & DRINK OPENINGS

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SUSTAINABILITY

# FESTIVALS & EVENTS



# UPCOMING FESTIVALS & EVENTS

Please check event and festival websites for further information around ticketing and bookings.

MARCH	MARCH CONTINUED	APRIL / MAY
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Harry Potter and the Cursed Child</a> - Melbourne, Victoria (resumed from 25 February)</li> <li>• <a href="#">RONE in Geelong</a> - Geelong, Victoria (27 February - 16 May)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Enlighten Festival</a> - Canberra, Australian Capital Territory (26 February - 14 March)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Disney's Frozen: The Broadway Musical</a> - Sydney, New South Wales (Now until May)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Gondwana Festival</a> - The Scenic Rim (1-31 March)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Sydney Gay and Lesbian Mardi Gras</a> - Sydney, New South Wales (6 March)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Canberra Balloon Spectacular</a> - Canberra, Australian Capital Territory (6 - 14 March)</li> <li>• <a href="#">City Winery Rose Festival</a> - Brisbane, Queensland (7 March)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Canberra Day</a> - Canberra, Australian Capital Territory (8 March)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Noosa Eat &amp; Drink Autumn Fare</a> - Noosa, Queensland (11 - 14 Mar)</li> <li>• <a href="#">FABAlice Festival</a> - Alice Springs, Northern Territory (12-14 March)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Melbourne Food &amp; Wine Festival</a> (12 - 31 March 2021)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Curiosity Brisbane</a> - Brisbane, Queensland (12 - 28 Mar)</li> <li>• <a href="#">For The Love 2021</a> - Perth, Western Australia; Melbourne, Victoria; Gold Coast, Queensland (13 March)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Hamilton</a> - Sydney, NSW (17 March 2021 - February 2022)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Spookhouse art exhibition by Mysterious AI</a> - Melbourne, Victoria (19 - 28 March 2021)</li> <li>• <a href="#">L'Étape Australia by Tour de France</a> - South Coast, New south Wales (19-20 March 2021)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Myponga Music Festival 2021</a> - Greenwith, South Australia (20 March)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Emergence Creative Festival</a> - Margaret River, Western Australia (24 - 26 March)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Brisbane Cycling Festival</a> - Brisbane, Queensland (24 Mar - 10 April)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Fever-Tree's Gin and Tonic Festival</a> - Sydney, New South Wales (25 - 28 March)</li> <li>• <a href="#">2021 NSW Men's Open Golf Championship</a> - Sydney, New South Wales (25-28 March)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Handa Opera on Sydney Harbour: La Traviata</a> - Sydney, New South Wales (26 March - 25 April)</li> </ul>	<p>April</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Sydney Royal Easter Show</a> - Sydney, New South Wales (1 - 12 April)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Four Winds Festival</a> - Bermagui, New South Wales (2 - 4 April)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Parrtjima - A Festival in Light</a> - Alice Springs, Northern Territory (9 - 18 April)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Barossa Vintage Festival</a> - Barossa, South Australia (14 - 18 April)</li> </ul> <p>MAY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Mountain Bike trails in Alice Springs</a> - Alice Springs, Northern Territory (1-4 May)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Bass in the Grass</a> - Darwin, Northern Territory (15 May)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Argyle Diamonds Ord Valley Muster</a> - Kununurra, Western Australia (21 - 29 May)</li> </ul>



# TOURISM PRODUCTS & EXPERIENCES



## BICYCLE NETWORK

### Darwin, Northern Territory

*Launching June 2021*

# GREAT TOP END ESCAPE

The Bicycle Network has launched a new nine-day tour in the Northern Territory's Top End. Guests will be able to ride through heritage-listed national parks, including Kakadu and Litchfield, stop off along the way at stunning water holes for a swim and immerse themselves in indigenous culture. With two tours, one in June and one in July, the Bicycle Network helps guests with airport transfers, hotel accommodation, meals, mechanics and bike transports to ensure ultimate ease and comfort. Visit their website to learn more about the tour.



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## AAT KINGS

### NATURE & WILDLIFE

**Perth, Western Australia**  
*Launching September 2021*

# THE WILDFLOWER WANDERER TOUR

The Wildflower Wanderer Tour allows guests to experience the very best Western Australia has to offer, especially for lovers of blooms. On this seven-day tour, guests will visit the peaceful coastal town of Geraldton and wander around Western Australia's famous wildflowers, before moving on to the Pinnacles, Kings Park and the WA Botanic Garden. The tour launches in September so visit their website to book your place now.



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## CAIRNS AQUARIUM

### Cairns, Queensland

*Launched February 2021*

# AQUARIUM BY TWILIGHT

Cairns Aquarium is hosting the ultimate experience for lovers of sea creatures with their new offering, Aquarium at Twilight. As the day slides into sunset, guests can experience the aquarium in the evening and learn about the movements of the region's nocturnal creatures. A 1.5 hour ecologist guided tour through 10 tropical ecosystems will teach guests how animals' behaviours adapt from day to night. Following the tour, guests can choose to enjoy a three course dinner at Dundee's restaurant to top off their evening with a glass of wine and dessert. Read more about this experience on their website.



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## CORAL EXPEDITIONS

**From Adelaide, South Australia**

*Launching November 2021*

# WILD ISLANDS & WALKS OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA

The Coral Expeditions cruise will see travellers exploring the stunning South Australian coastline on a new 10-day round-trip.

This voyage offers the opportunity to explore and hike South Australia's wild islands, where forested National Parks give way to wave-carved cliffs and sweeping white-sand beaches. A highlight of the itinerary is a series of guided trekking excursions through coastal nature trails and to rugged island outlooks where guests will be rewarded with sweeping ocean vistas.

Hosted by expert guides, including Kangaroo Island resident and well-known writer and photographer Quentin Chester, guests can learn about the flora, fauna, and history of this remote habitat. For more information and to book, visit their website.



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## PONANT

**Various locations: Western Australia, South Australia, Tasmania, New South Wales and Queensland**  
*Launching October 2021*

# PONANT ANNOUNCES NEW LUXURY TOURS

PONANT has announced the return of two small luxury expedition ships, Le Lapérouse and Le Soléal, to Australian waters in 2021. The ships will facilitate eight new itineraries featuring Western Australia, South Australia, Tasmania, New South Wales and Queensland coasts.

'Australia for Australians' are itineraries developed for the domestic traveller, each offering back-to-back voyage opportunities, showcase the fascinating and multifaceted diversity of wilderness, wildlife, heritage and cultural encounters found along Australia's coastline.



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## BUSSELTON JETTY

### Busselton, Western Australia

*Launching December 2022*

# AUSTRALIAN UNDERWATER RECOVERY CENTRE

The Australian Underwater Recovery Centre (AUDC) at Busselton Jetty in Western Australia will be a new world class attraction.

Due for completion in December 2022, the elliptical AUDC will be the biggest and best in the world featuring expansive windows, new underwater habitats, underwater dining and function centre with underwater lighting, high tech exhibitions, educational spaces and environmental learning areas. This project will include enhancing the artificial reef at the end of the Jetty, increasing the marine life and ultimately ensuring the sustainability of the Busselton Jetty for another 100 years. Stay tuned for more details.



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## ENLIGHTEN FESTIVAL

MODERN & INDIGENOUS  
CULTURE

**Canberra, Australian Capital Territory**

*Launches February 2021*

# ENLIGHTEN FESTIVAL RETURNS

Canberra will shine bright with culture and creativity as the Enlighten Festival brings together the best autumn events in the capital.

Join the festivities from 26 February to 14 March with in-person experiences at the Enlighten Illuminations on select Canberra landmark buildings, and events including Lights! Canberra! Action! short film festival, the Canberra Balloon Spectacular, Symphony in the Park and Canberra Day.

Due to COVID restrictions, guests will be required to book experiences in advance. Bookings for Enlighten Festival are open with tickets selling fast.



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## BOTTICELLI TO VAN GOGH



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**Canberra, Australian Capital Territory**

*Launching March 2021*

# BOTTICELLI TO VAN GOGH: MASTERPIECES FROM THE NATIONAL GALLERY, LONDON

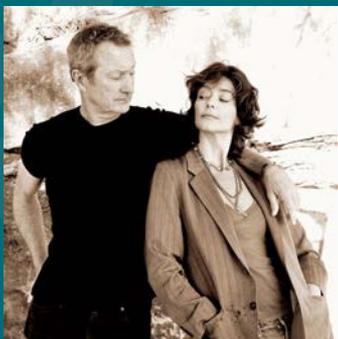
Spanning 450 years, Botticelli to Van Gogh: Masterpieces from the National Gallery, London presents 60 paintings by some of Europe's most revered artists, including Titian, Rembrandt, Vermeer, Velázquez, Goya, Turner, Renoir, Cézanne and Gauguin.

Exclusive to Canberra and the only new international art show to Australia in 2021, the exhibition comprises the largest group of works to travel outside of the United Kingdom in the history of the National Gallery, London.

The exhibition explores seven key periods in Western European art history: the Italian Renaissance, Dutch painting of the Golden Age, Van Dyck and British portraiture, the Grand Tour, Spanish art from the 17th Century, landscape and the picturesque and the birth of modern art.

Highlights include Rembrandt's Self Portrait at the Age of 34 1640, Vermeer's A Young Woman seated at a Virginal c.1670 and Van Gogh's Sunflowers 1888.

Botticelli to Van Gogh: Masterpieces from the National Gallery, London is presented in partnership with Art Exhibitions Australia and the National Gallery, London and will run between 5 March and 14 June. Book tickets via their website now.



## AUSTRALIAN LOVE STORIES

MODERN & INDIGENOUS  
CULTURE

**Canberra. Australian Capital Territory**

*Launching March 2021*

# AUSTRALIAN LOVE STORIES EXHIBITION

Australian Love Stories explores love, affection and connection in all its guises. From the enduring to the forbidden, romantic to platonic, the unrequited, obsessive, scandalous or creative. Swoon over more than 200 artworks from across photography, painting, works on paper, small sculpture and an immersive glass installation.

Think Bryan and Rachel, Bob and Blanche, Kath and Kim, Jimmy and Jane Barnes, Nick and Susie Cave, Nell and Kylie Kwong. Think iconic artists like John Brack, Vincent Namatjira, Del Kathryn Barton, Davida Allen, Charles Blackman and more! See old favourites alongside loans from private and public collections and new works commissioned exclusively for the exhibition.

This is a ticketed event running from 20 March to 11 July, head to their website to secure your ticket.



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## BRIDGECLIMB



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### Sydney, New South Wales

*Launched January 2021*

# BURRAWA CLIMB

Sydney Festival and BridgeClimb Sydney recently unveiled the Burrawa Climb, a unique immersion into Aboriginal stories and landmarks across Sydney Harbour. Due to popular demand, BridgeClimb will be delivering tours for the foreseeable future, instead of concluding at the end of the festival.

Climbers are guided by Aboriginal storytellers as they scale the summit of the Sydney Harbour Bridge and discover a fresh perspective of the city below. Conceived and written by festival artistic director Wesley Enoch, Burrawa - a local Aboriginal word that means 'above' or 'upwards' - will allow climbers to hear fascinating stories and history from the world's oldest living culture. It will run on the last Saturday of every month at 9:15am and 1:45pm. For further information and bookings visit the BridgeClimb website.

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## BRIDGECLIMB

**Sydney, New South Wales**

*Launched February 2021*

# PHOTOGRAPHY TOUR AND MASTERCLASS

For the passionate photographers out there, BridgeClimb has launched the ultimate experience with their Photography Tour + Masterclass. In partnership with Fuji X and Glenn Mckimmin, a professional landscape photographer, they will be allowing guests to experience a one-of-a-kind opportunity to up-skill their photography and snap incredible photos from the Sydney Harbour Bridge.

Originally, the tour was scheduled to run every Thursday and Friday from 25 February – 12 March 2021, however, due to a tremendous amount of demand for this unique opportunity, further dates are soon to be announced from March. Available in a full or half-day package, visit their website to find out the next availability.



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### Narooma, New South Wales

*Launched February 2021*

## YUIN RETREAT

Yuin Retreat is the ultimate cultural experience for those wanting to immerse themselves in Yuin country. Guests are invited to come, walk and listen to a sacred dreaming of Djirringanj country heartland of the Yuin people through an Aboriginal owned and operated initiative. The two-night experience, available for private or mixed groups of up to eight people, aims to enlighten the soul. Accommodation options include belle or safari tents and private cabins or beach houses. To find out availability, visit their website.





## MUSEUM OF BRISBANE

**Brisbane, Queensland**  
*Launched February 2021*

# AMERICANS IN WWII BRISBANE TOUR

Discover Brisbane's wartime history on a walking tour presented by the Brisbane Museum. Visit significant sites and learn about the 80,000 American soldiers who were stationed in Brisbane during the Second World War. Highlights of the tour include insights into what led to the 'Battle of Brisbane' between the US and Australian servicemen and entry into the MacArthur Museum, former headquarters of General MacArthur. Book the tour via their website.



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## ACMI - REOPENING

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Melbourne, Victoria  
Reopened February 2021

# ACMI - REOPENING

Following a major redevelopment of Federation Square, ACMI is now open. In 2019, ACMI embarked on a \$40million redevelopment project to reimagine their museum and create a more open and welcoming environment, enhance learning spaces and showcase new innovations in moving image technology.

The new screen-culture hub is using museum-wide technology that will transform the way visitors interact with each exhibition.

*The Story of the Moving Image* is their new centrepiece exhibition that showcases the past, present and future of the moving image through interactive experiences. The exhibition brings to life key moments of screen history through interactive experiences including animating shadows, crafting optical toys, assembling film scenes, creating soundscapes and more.

ACMI's world-leading team of curators, exhibition designers and innovators have created an experience that blends the physical and digital in ways not seen before in Australia. Admission is free to the exhibition, simply walk in to explore.



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## BRUNSWICK BALLROOM

### Brunswick, Victoria

*Launched February 2021*

# BRUNSWICK BALLROOM

Brunswick Ballroom is bringing the ultimate live music experience to Melbourne's inner north suburb. Opening its doors in late February after a refurbishment (and change of name), the extraordinary venue will bring some of the best of Australian and international music, cabaret and comedy. Audiences will have the opportunity to enjoy dinner whilst watching musicians such as Kate Ceberano and Tim Rogers sing their heart out. Open to the public on 25 February, Brunswick Ballroom is located on the iconic Sydney Road. Check out the full line-up on their website.



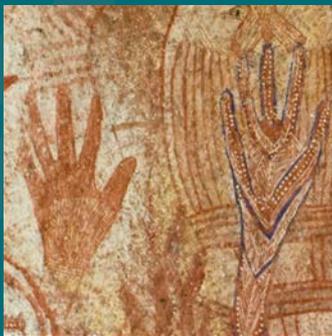
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## ARCADIA EXPEDITIONS



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**Various locations: Western Australia and Northern Territory**

*Launched February 2021*

# INDIGENOUS EMERSION AIR SAFARI

Arcadia Expeditions has launched a luxurious new tour that explores the ancient wisdom of Indigenous Australians through rock art and the stories of the Dreaming. Through Indigenous Immersion: The Art of Storytelling, guests are flown by a private plane to explore some of the most remote parts of Western Australia and the Northern Territory whilst engaging with ancient culture. Activities include river cruises, bush tucker walks and visits to Aboriginal art centres to meet renowned artists. Guests are invited to stay in Australia's most lavish and peaceful camps and lodges. This fifteen-day tour can be booked direct via the website.



## CONTIKI

**Various locations, National**  
*Launched February 2021*

# CONTIKI DOMESTIC TOURS

Contiki is well known across the world as being one of the best travel operators for youths. Whilst international travel appears to be off the cards, Contiki has launched 14 domestic Aussie adventures for youngsters to get out, meet new people and explore their own country.

The carefully devised trips (including Kakadu Dreaming, Uluru Explorer, Rottneest Island, Great Ocean Road Trip and South Australia Wineries and Wilderness) range from four to eleven days to suit all traveller needs. They've also been designed to help give back to local communities that have been impacted by bushfires and COVID-19. To read the tour itineraries and book, visit the Contiki website.



**CONTIKI DOMESTIC TOURS**



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## A TABLE OF 10

### FOOD & DRINK

#### Orange, New South Wales

*Launched February 2021*

## A TABLE OF 10

Orange based Spanish chef Ruben Lopez has launched A table of 10, a special dining or cooking class experience which celebrates his Spanish heritage through food. Designed for 10 people, the mobile catering service brings the smells, tastes and flavours of Spain to your venue or accommodation with tapas, paella and dessert.



**A TABLE OF 10**



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## SHAW WINES



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### Murrumbateman, New South Wales

*Launched February 2021*

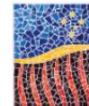
# NEW WINE EXPERIENCES AT SHAW WINES

Two new luxury tasting experiences have been launched by family-owned and operated Shaw Wines in the Canberra District.

The Private Cellar RIEDEL Tasting is a premium experience where guests can enjoy a guided tasting experience of four reserve wines whilst trying out a gorgeous set of Riedel varietal glasses, which can be taken home after the session. This experience is available on Wednesday and Thursdays only with a minimum of two people and a maximum of eight.

The second tour, The Shaw Escape, is the epitome of luxury. Guests can fly via private plane direct from Sydney to Canberra then experience an exhilarating private helicopter ride to Shaw Wines to settle in for a three-course lunch and seated wine tasting (note the price is based on six passengers).

To learn more about either tour, visit their website.



SHAW  
WINES



## THE ORANGE WILD WEEKEND



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**Orange, New South Wales**  
*Launching March 2021*

# THE ORANGE WILD WEEKEND

This Autumn, the Orange Wild Weekend is held over three days bringing together like minded people for a weekend of activities that focus around reconnecting. Dine at Millthorpe's Tonic and Sisters' Rock Restaurant, forage for mushrooms, learn about native plant-life on bushwalks, enjoy wine tasting at the Strawhouse, and learn how to make a tablescape during a bespoke brunch. Hosted by Ali Shillington of Lokale Blumen, tour dates are between 19-21 March and 16-18 April. Check out their website for more information and to book now.



## EXPERIENCE NATURE

### Berrima, New South Wales

*Launching April 2021*

# WANDER THE WINGECARRIBEE

Wander the Wingecarribee is a new food and wine trail through Berrima that brings the village to life. Guests are invited to enjoy a leisurely stroll through the town whilst experiencing local produce and learning about the village's past. A local host will guide a group of 15 - 20 guests through an immersive foodie trail of 10 courses that are sure to delight. This one of a kind experience to explore idyllic Berrima will run on Saturday, 10 April 2021. Visit the website to secure your place now.



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## KALKI MOON

**Bundaberg, Queensland**

*Launched December 2020*

# KALKI MOON LAUNCHES HIGHLY ANTICIPATED CANE FARMER SERIES

International-award winning Bundaberg artisan distillery Kalki Moon has released the first of their Cane Farmer Series of premium rums and cane spirits - Plant Cane.

While Kalki Moon has gained an international following for their gins, the distillery has always had the vision of becoming a small batch rum producer and has been quietly developing their rums and cane spirits behind the scenes since founded in 2017.

The first of these spirits to hit the shelves is Plant Cane, a premium Australian cane spirit that delivers the trademark flavour of Bundaberg's red soil sugarcane with a light finish that nods to the easy Southern Great Barrier Reef climate.

The Cane Farmer series will join Kalki Moon's range of premium small-batch spirits, as well as their popular range of gins, vodkas and liqueurs. You can buy online or visit their incredible distillery to see where the liquor is made itself.



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**KALKI  
MOON**  
DISTILLING & BREWING  
COMPANY



## BREWERY TOURS CAIRNS

### Cairns, Queensland

*Launched February 2021*

# CAIRNS BREWERY TOURS

Cairns-based tour operator No Limit Adventures has launched a guided Cairns Brewery & Distillery Tour. The half-day tour showcases the best of Cairns' local micro-breweries and distilleries, visiting five local venues; Macalister Brewery, Barrier Reef Brewing, Wolf Lane Distillery, FNQ Spirits, and Sauce Brewing. With tastings at each venue, guests can enjoy their share of popular beers and locally produced spirits. Listen to the stories of the brewers and distillers, before satisfying your cravings with a tasty pub lunch and Aussie tap beer. Join No Limit Adventures on their enjoyable and educational Brewery & Distillery Tour by enquiring on the website.



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## MACADAMIAS AUSTRALIA

**Bundaberg, Queensland**  
*Launching April 2021*

# NEW AGRITOURISM EXPERIENCE COMING TO BUNDABERG

Family owned and run Macadamias Australia will soon launch an innovative attraction featuring a pick-your-own orchard experience, an interactive learning centre, a working macadamia processing plant, a café showcasing gourmet macadamia cuisine and Bundaberg's best local produce, plus an event space. Macadamias Australia's world-class centre will attract independent visitors, as well as tour groups, which will be incredibly important to the region for the restart of international tourism. Works are still underway with the experience expected to be open to the public in April 2021.



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## VISIT VICTORIA



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**Melbourne, Victoria**

*Launching March 2021*

# MELBOURNE FOOD & WINE FESTIVAL

The iconic Melbourne Food & Wine Festival is back in 2021 after being postponed last minute due to COVID-19 in 2020. The festival will run between Friday March 12 to Wednesday 31 March, featuring a line-up of events including newcomer the Bank of Melbourne World's Longest Brunch, as well as 50 special events across the city.

This year, the March program will be accompanied by two more two-week festivals, The Winter Edition and the Regional Edition, to celebrate Melbourne's winter and regional food and wine offerings. Visit their website to find out more information on the special events and their COVID safe plan.

MELBOURNE  
FOOD 20  
& WINE 21  
FESTIVAL



# FOOD & DRINK OPENINGS

**Sydney, New South Wales***Opened February 2021*

# BISTROT 916

Bistrot 916 is hospitality heavyweight Dan Pepperell's new French-inspired bistro in Sydney. The décor screams cool and understated elegance, the epitome of French style with large-scaled nudes on the bathroom walls and stalls created by award-winning cookbook designer, Daniel New. The menu is seafood-centric and spans the classics of French gastronomy. Book online via their website.

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**Sydney, New South Wales***Opening mid-2021*

## NEIL PERRY IN DOUBLE BAY

Neil Perry, the brains behind the illustrious Rockpool and Spice Temple will be opening a new, more relaxed restaurant in Double Bay. His hope for the as-yet-unnamed venue is that it serves as a local spot where patrons can visit multiple times a week. He'll be offering brunch, lunch and dinner to cater to the whole neighbourhood (and beyond's) needs. Keep your eye out for more details as the restaurant will launch in mid-2021.

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**Sydney, New South Wales***Opening mid-2021*

## KYLIE KWONG AT SOUTH EVELEIGH

The notable Kylie Kwong is creating a new eatery at the in-progress and much-anticipated South Eveleigh precinct. In response to questions on if her new venue will be similar to Billy Kwong, her old restaurant that fused Indigenous ingredients with Cantonese food, Kwong said 'get rid of [the word] 'restaurant' right now' and that the plan is for it to be a casual eatery with a simple, yet meaningful menu. Scheduled to open in mid-2021 in Sydney, more details will be available soon.

**BROADSHEET****GUIDE TO SYDNEY**

**Port Lincoln, South Australia***Opened January 2021*

# THE LINE & LABEL RESTAURANT

The Line & Label Restaurant at Peter Teakle Wines in South Australia's Port Lincoln has picked up its third Australian Good Food Guide Chef Hat after just 12-days of operations. Following an extended closure in 2020 due to COVID-19 and the launch of the Peter Teakle Wines Cellar Door - a 3-million-dollar bespoke Tasting Room - The Line & Label officially reopened in January 2021 with high acclaim. The restaurant, perched above the vineyard of Peter Teakle Wines, is open for afternoon grazing and dinner on Fridays; lunch and dinner on Saturdays; and lunch on Sundays. Bookings can be made on the website.

[\*\*THE LINE & LABEL RESTAURANT\*\*](#)[\*\*PETERTEAKLEWINES\*\*](#)[\*\*GUIDE TO SOUTH AUSTRALIA\*\*](#)

**Hobart, Tasmania***Opened February 2021*

# TESORO

Located in the new Mövenpick Hotel on one of Hobart's principal heritage streetscapes, Tesoro, meaning treasure, is a showcase of humble, flavourful Italian fare.

Inspired by the epicurean treasures of Tasmania, Executive Chef Trent Whelan (Mr Carpano, Mr Good Guy + Bar) combines the best produce from local growers, farmers and makers, with traditional techniques to create a menu of modern Italian classics.

Plates of grilled asparagus with black garlic, parmesan, truffle oil and poached egg appear alongside Cape Grim steaks – dry aged in-house – and homemade pasta dishes adorned with beef brisket, pomodoro, pecorino and vino flood the menu. Just a short stroll from both the Salamanca precinct and Hobart CBD, Tesoro's showcase of humble Italian cooking and great Tasmanian produce is available daily for breakfast, lunch and dinner, seven days a week. Bookings available via the website.

**TESORO HOBART****@TESOROHOBART****GUIDE TO HOBART**



**CHANCERY LANE**



**@CHANCERY LANE**



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RESTAURANT

**Melbourne, Victoria**

*Opened December 2020*

# CHANCERY LANE

Chancery Lane, a European bistro by celebrated chef Scott Pickett (Longrain, Matilda 159 Domain, Estelle, Lupo, Pastore), has opened in Melbourne welcoming diners within the historic Normanby Chambers building at 430 Little Collins Street.

The bistro is suited for any occasion, from a glass of wine and a bite at the bar to a private dinner party. Delivering an inclusive experience with an all-day menu of approachable classic European dishes to be enjoyed in a selection of seating options, Chancery Lane's fit-out reflects the history of the heritage building and a bygone era.





**Melbourne, Victoria**  
*Opened February 2021*

## HERO

The newly refurbished ACMI (formerly Australian Centre for the Moving Image) has opened a new all-day diner developed by Melbourne chef, Karen Martini. Hero offers a seasonally driven menu that aims to champion the produce of local farmers and purveyors. It is the perfect place to grab your morning coffee before visiting ACMI or enjoying lunch or dinner after a culture filled day wandering through exhibitions. Open from 8am-late, check out their website to reserve a spot, and to keep up-to-date with COVID-19 restrictions in Melbourne and how they may affect the restaurant.



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**Sydney, New South Wales**  
*Opened February 2021*

# HENDRIKS SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS

Hendriks Cognac & Wine has opened a second venue in the Southern Highlands. The venue is known for being warm and casual with a carefully curated cognac, wine and cocktail list that brings the ultimate delight in taste, balance and quality. The menu offers everything from giant jaffles and wood-fire pizza, to an assortment of seafood and a weekend spit roast. The stylish venue is the perfect place to enjoy the finer liquors of life with friends and family. Visit their website to view the food and drinks menu.



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**Sydney, New South Wales**  
*Opened February 2021*

## MUMM HARBOUR BAR

World renowned luxury French champagne brand G.H. Mumm will officially set sail on Sydney Harbour with Captain Cook Cruises this summer, offering guests and sunset chasers the city's ultimate bottomless bubbles and seafood experience.

Captain Cook Cruises will serve G.H. Mumm in an ultimate French champagne extravaganza perfect for you, your friends, a pre-dinner date night or even a way to spoil that special someone.

The new Mumm Harbour Bar, located on the recently refurbished Sydney 2000's lounge-style Ocean Deck, will kick off at 3:00pm each afternoon, adding even more opulence and style to cruising through an afternoon on Sydney Harbour.



**CAPTAIN COOK**



**@CAPTAINCOOKCRUISES**



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**Port Melbourne, Victoria**  
*Opened December 2020*

# THE EXCHANGE BEACH CLUB

The Exchange Beach Club is the perfect spot for revellers to have a drink and a bite to eat on the beach. Located in Port Melbourne, the club opened in December and features day beds, private cabanas, umbrella-covered outdoor seating and entertainment. The venue is cashless with all payment going through the online service Mr Yum, making this coastal spot the perfect place to sit back, relax and have a drink. Visit their website to book a table or stroll on down.



**[THE EXCHANGE BEACH CLUB](#)**



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**Melbourne, Victoria**  
*Opening March 2021*

# GRAZELAND

GrazeLand is Melbourne's most exciting new culinary destination: a playground for foodies and families that brings tantalising food and entertainment together in one location. Situated 5km from Melbourne's city centre, the new gastronomical precinct will provide a rotating weekly festival featuring live performances, roving entertainers, and an incredible atmosphere that celebrates Melbourne's amazing food culture.

The permanent venue spans over 10,000 square metres and hosts a large range of food vendors, both sweet and savoury, plus three bars, artisan stalls and more. GrazeLand is open every weekend of the year on Friday, Saturday and Sunday evenings. It's located right beside Scienceworks in Spotswood, flanked by the West Gate Bridge and with the Yarra River and the CBD skyline visible in the background. GrazeLand is located a walkable distance from the train station, otherwise there's on-site and street parking available.

# GRAZELAND





**Melbourne, Victoria**  
*Opening 2021*

# ARBORY

The team behind the iconic Arbory Bar & Eatery and Arbory Afloat are working on a new yet-to-be-named venue in a heritage-listed building on Lonsdale street, across from the Emporium. Due to the success of the other two venues, this new spot will be across five storeys to cater to all patrons' needs. There will be a rooftop bar, spaces for dinner and even an option for the morning coffee crowd. Opening sometime in 2021, keep your eyes peeled for more details on the Arbory website.



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**Sydney, New South Wales**  
*Opened February 2021*

# SAMMY JUNIOR

Award-winning cocktail bar Maybe Sammy opens its first daytime café Sammy Junior this month. Opening on the ground level of Art Deco heritage building 66 King Street, the new venue is set to caffeinate Sydney's CBD with a bespoke espresso blend specially crafted by Maybe Sammy co-founder Martin Hudak, while chef Robert Lechowicz of Cronulla's Blackwood Pantry has curated the classic Aussie brunch menu. Mini cocktails will also be available on tap for afternoon drinking sessions.

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**Coolamon, New South Wales**  
*Opened February 2021*

## THE STATION COLLECTIVE

Coolamon Railway Station will see a new café opening in the heritage site called The Station Collective. The café will serve coffee (of course) as well as scrumptious lunches and their own house-made cookies. Located in the country town of Coolamon in The Riverina, this new café is sure to be a country delight where patrons can enjoy conversation and community. Check out their Instagram for more information.

 [@THESTATIONCOLLECTIVE](https://www.instagram.com/thestationcollective)

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**Melbourne, Victoria**

*Opened February 2021*

## NUTTEA

It's no secret that bubble tea has burst into the mainstream and is now a fully-fledged craze among Melburnians. Opened in February 2021, Nuttea is a new bubble tea brand that uses a milk substitute, stylised mylk, made fresh and in-house from a blend of walnut, macadamia and cashew to cater to all the sweet-tooth vegans out there. You can find Nuttea at GD078/211 La Trobe Street, Melbourne from 11am–8pm Sunday–Thursday and 11am–9pm Friday–Saturday. Visit their website to check out their 'milk' and fruit-based flavours.



[NUTTEA](https://www.nuttea.com.au)



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**Melbourne, Victoria**  
*Opening 2021*

## PIDAPIPO

Pidapipo, a gelateria staple for Melbournians, is opening up a fourth location at the northern end of Brunswick Street in trendy Fitzroy. This venue will be bigger than the other three in inner city locations Windsor, Carlton and the CBD. The gelateria will house only 12 flavours at a time to focus on the new and exclusive. The corner site will have two functions: an open-plan gelato and cake production kitchen and on the other a gelateria, cioccolateria and pizzeria. The venue will open some-time soon so for updates check out their website.



**PIDAPIPO**



**@PIDAPIPO GELATERIA**



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# ACCOMMODATION



**ACCOR****Hobart, Tasmania***Opened January 2021*

# MOVENPICK HOTEL HOBART

Located in the heart of picturesque Hobart, Movenpick Hotel Hobart is a place to savour life and create unforgettable moments. With many of the 221 elegant rooms and suites offering spectacular harbour and city views, the temptation to explore this historical city beckons. Discover why Lonely Planet has called Hobart one of the top 10 destinations to visit, with award winning restaurant and bars, galleries and specialty shops just outside your door.

Situated in Hobart's CBD just a short stroll to the waterfront and the historical Salamanca precinct, the hotel is perfectly positioned to allow visitors to discover Hobart's rich culture, history and award winning cuisine all within easy walking distance.

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HOTEL

**Gippsland, Victoria**  
*Opened January 2021*

# MANTRA TRARALGON

Mantra Traralgon is located at the heart of the Traralgon CBD making it perfectly suited for business, and leisure travellers.. The conference room features a high speed internet connection and modern equipment to make your event a success.

The \$18 million development, which comprises of five levels and features 50 well-appointed and comfortable guestrooms and suites, is located directly opposite the city's major retail centre and within an entertainment complex that houses a cinema, ten-pin bowling and bistro. Visit their website to book or for more information.

**Canberra, Australian Capital Territory**

*Opened February 2021*

## A BY ADINA

Canberra's newest city hotel, A By Adina, opened in February and with 130 rooms, it offers guests the best of both worlds, combining spacious apartment living with hotel services and facilities. All 130 apartments are beautifully designed – whether studio, one or two-bedrooms – and all share the same high standard, with floor to ceiling windows and stunning entry corridors punctuated by rendered concrete.

The five-star rated property adjoins a new office building with a laneway style retail and hospitality precinct including Meat and Co, Arc by Redbrick (Canberra coffee roaster), Susuru Ramen and Dumpling House, Hero Sushi and Fuel Café. It is located off London Circuit, near the Canberra Theatre and a short distance for the city's largest shopping centre, the Canberra Centre and broader city dining strip. For bookings, visit their website.



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**A BY ADINA**



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**ACCOR****Gladstone, Queensland***Opened February 2021*

# MANTRA GLADSTONE

Located just minutes from the Gladstone CBD, the stylish 4.5 star, 60 room hotel will cater for all needs. Whether for a leisurely overnight stay or an extended business trip, Mantra Gladstone has spacious family rooms to studio apartments available. Adjoining the Yaralla Sports Club, guests have access to covered car parking, meeting facilities, swimming pool, fitness centre and dining options, making the Mantra Gladstone perfect for both business and leisure travellers. Visit their website to book.

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**INDEPENDENT**

**Stanley, Tasmania**  
*Opened February 2021*

## SHIP INN STANLEY

Ship Inn Stanley, the melting pot of humanity that congregated within the walls of the inn has instilled upon it a richly poignant history. Unearth the many triumphs and tribulations hidden within the century old walls, her history intertwined with tales of merchant sailors, local shipwrecks, colonial English gentry, and hard-fought agricultural battles. This is a Tasmanian storytelling inn and each of the seven luxurious suites have a compelling tale to tell. Visit their website to book now.



**SHIP INN HOTEL**



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**Adelaide, South Australia***Opening March 2021*

# HOTEL INDIGO ADELAIDE MARKETS

Hotel Indigo Adelaide Markets will open in March 2021, the first Hotel Indigo to open in Australia. The boutique hotel rooms in Adelaide's CBD pay homage to the legendary festivals of the city. The modern colour palette is brightened by natural light and colourful wall art, inspired by neighbourhood festival posters. Locally influenced decor is celebrated in the famed tessellated tile patterns of Adelaide with copper fixtures harking back to South Australia's copper mining history.

The restaurants and bars create innovative flavours, tapping into the best of Adelaide Market's wonderful seasonal produce. The ground floor houses the modern Australian restaurant and bar, Market & Meander, touting multicultural influences from Grote and Gouger Street. Take the elevator to the spectacular rooftop for the raw food bar, Merrymaker, featuring an immaculate array of local seafood, cured and smoked meats. The drinks menu focuses on local beer and cocktail favourites with a twist, showcasing the best of South Australian wines. Bookings are available online now from March.



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## TFE HOTELS



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HOTEL

Melbourne, Victoria

Opening 2021

# QUINCY HOTEL MELBOURNE

The debut of Australia's most exciting new hotel brand straight out of Singapore, will see Quincy Melbourne open on Flinders Lane. The hotel itself features distinctive interior design, three signature food experiences, a rooftop pool with views of Melbourne CBD, and exclusive club levels and lounge access. Sensory experiences and an innovative approach to room service are just some of the finer things that guests can expect to see when the brand-new hotel Quincy Melbourne opens. Stay tuned for more details via their website.



TFE hotels



## INDEPENDENT

**Cabarita Beach, New South Wales**

*Opened February 2021*

# HALCYON HOUSE

Halcyon House has transformed their former functions space into a luxurious and light-filled 170 square metre suite. Featuring Halcyon House's distinctive interiors, the new beachfront suite is perfect for midweek escapes and weekend getaways, and includes a deluxe king bed, ensuite bathroom with double shower, guests bathroom, separate living and dining area, covered patio with garden views and direct access to the Halcyon House pool and Cabarita Beach. This decadent suite sleeps up to four guests. Visit their website for more information and to book your next stay.



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## INDEPENDENT

### Holbrook, New South Wales

*Opened February 2021*

# 6 HUME STREET

6 Hume Street is not just any place to stay, it's a home away from home. In this cosy 1880s cottage you will find three beautiful rooms, two including king size beds with the third room containing two king single beds.

The living spaces are fully furnished including a washing machine and kitchen. There's off street parking so park the car and walk in to the town of Holbrook to see the local attractions, have a bite to eat or shop with local retailers. Visit their website for bookings or more information.



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## INDEPENDENT

### Murray River, New South Wales

*Opened February 2021*

# WATSONS AT PERRICOOTA STATION

On the banks of the NSW edge of the Murray River is Perricoota Station, a popular wedding destination with The Packing Shed function area and spacious five-bedroom homestead. A new addition is The Quarters, boutique accommodation inside an original collection of buildings on the property. The thoughtful restoration retains the rustic heritage and brings a contemporary style reflecting the hues and textures of this beautiful region. To book the homestead for a relaxing weekend away, visit their website.



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**HYATT**

**Brisbane, Queensland**  
*Opened February 2021*

# HYATT REGENCY BRISBANE

Whether you're travelling for business or leisure the Hyatt Regency Brisbane has it all. Featuring 292 guestrooms, a comfortable space to hold meetings, a rooftop pool including a bar and lounge, and a restaurant featuring a wide selection of food and beverages to suit all tastes.

Located in the CBD you will find the Hyatt Regency Brisbane adjacent to the queen street mall making any shopping experience easier than ever. Visit their website today to book this glamorous experience.



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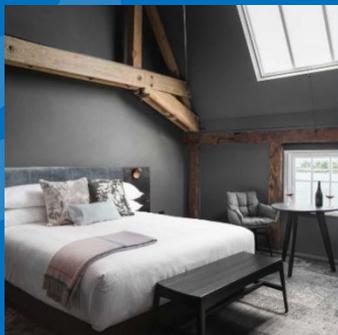


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## INDEPENDENT

**Stanley, Tasmania**  
*Opened February 2021*

# STILLWATER SEVEN

One of Launceston's most famous landmarks, an 1830's flour mill, has had a massive refurbishment and now offers a uniquely indulgent accommodation experience: The Stillwater SEVEN.

The accommodation features seven architecturally designed and beautifully appointed rooms nestled in the great bones of one of Tasmania's heritage icons. Each room has waterfront views and its own unique character. Guests can enjoy their own private bar and exclusive access to the award-winning kitchen.

Only minutes walk from Launceston's Cataract Gorge and ten minutes walk from the City centre, the Stillwater SEVEN offers easy access to everything that Launceston has to offer. Visit their website to book now.



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Melbourne, Victoria  
*Opened February, 2021*

## W MELBOURNE



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Melbourne's first luxury lifestyle hotel with its rebellious Flinders Lane address is now open. W Melbourne takes its design cues from the streets of Australia's cultural capital, holding the back-lane entrance keys to what's new in the city, revealing a playground where the early risers to the late-night revellers can turn up the tracks.

Extending the laneway culture inside, 294 bold rooms and suites peel back the layers and revel in the city's history. 828 square metres of ultra-modern event space sets the stage for epic events. Four restaurants and bars will amp up the experience; with Warabi set to shake up Japanese dining, Lollo to take you from day, to night and beyond under the culinary creative direction of Adam D'Sylva. Curious is the the bar to see and be seen in and Culprit will be a café come bar that serves up your double shot latte or an afternoon spritz. Bookings are available online now.

**W MELBOURNE**



## THE RITZ

**Geelong, Victoria**  
*Opening March 2021*

# THE RITZ HOTEL

Geelong's heritage listed landmark building in the heart of the city, sat dormant for 40 years however has recently had an extensive makeover and will open its doors to the public on 1 March as The Ritz Hotel.

Formerly known as the Belle-Vue Hotel and built circa 1854, The Ritz has undergone an incredible transformation and will launch with 128 rooms and apartments over nine floors, with captivating views over Geelong's north facing waterfront and city skyline.

Located just five minutes' walk to Eastern Beach, Ritz Hotel Geelong offers visitors a 4.5-star full service hotel experience with hotel rooms, one and two bedroom self-contained apartments, pet friendly apartments and a 24 hour reception.



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**Melbourne, Victoria**  
*Opening March 2021*

## THE SEBEL MELBOURNE RINGWOOD

Opening March 1, the hotel will hold 103 rooms in Melbourne's burgeoning eastern suburbs growth corridor in Ringwood.

Spanning six floors, the property will feature 48 studio apartments, 48 one-bedroom suites and seven two-bedroom suites. Guests will have access to impressive onsite amenities including, an ultra-modern fitness centre, four sophisticated and well-appointed meeting spaces, two practical function rooms, a restaurant, delicatessen and bar and an open-air terrace.

Located 23 km east of Melbourne's CBD and two minutes from retail shopping mecca Eastland, Ringwood is the gateway to the Yarra Valley and a rapidly growing commercial corridor.

Rooms start from \$220\* per night, with bookings available online now.



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## INDEPENDENT

### Southern Highlands, New South Wales

Opening May 2021

# BERRIMA VAULT HOUSE

Originally hand built by convicts in 1844, Taylor's Crown Inn is relaunching in May 2021 as the Berrima Vault House, a contemporary, historic 5-star hospitality venue and members club, in the heart of the Southern Highlands.

Berrima Vault House will be a creative space in which to relax, have fun, and explore the countryside - or work remotely from a heritage listed building in Australia's best preserved Georgian village.

With corporate Australia allowing more work/life flexibility, the retreat to scenic rural areas in search of a better lifestyle balance is now a reality. Berrima Vault House has been designed for those who no longer need to be based in the city, but still want a place to work, play and stay. The aim is to build a community of like-minded people with positive attitudes to appreciate progressive hospitality and lifestyle balance, regardless of age, gender or geography.

With an in-house concierge, members and guests can access a range of activities, services and social settings including boutique accommodation, change room facilities, club lounges, gardens, jail cells transformed into intimate private dining rooms, meeting spaces, cultural event programming and access to luxury brand partners. A village-shop-of-the-future will retail limited edition and bespoke lifestyle items.

As one of Australia's oldest public houses, wine storage vaults, and heritage locations, Berrima Vault House is being reimaged and restored by a team of local and global experts. Stay tuned for information on when to book.



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## BEST WESTERN

### Sydney, New South Wales

*Opening mid-2021*

# AIDEN DARLING HARBOUR

Aiden Darling Harbour is a new luxury boutique hotel set to open in Sydney in mid-2021. Located in Pyrmont, the hotel is luxurious yet affordable. Cleverly designed, the hotel has 88 rooms with gorgeous unique hand-painted floral wall murals above the bedheads. The hotel itself is a remodelled 1930s Art Deco building and inside there will be a lobby, café and bar. For more information visit the website.



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## BAILLIE LODGE

### Great Barrier Reef, Queensland

*Opening October 2021*

# SILKY OAKS LODGE

Luxury treetop escape, Silky Oaks Lodge, has taken lockdown makeovers to new heights, currently undergoing a significant facelift to reopen on 1 October 2021 with a refreshed vibe under the Baillie Lodge brand. Influenced by its Daintree Rainforest surroundings, the refurbished lodge will integrate indigenous artworks and custom furnishings by Australian designers across six luxury villa styles, including the new ultra-premium Daintree Pavilion. The 40 luxury villas, alongside the destination-inspired restaurant, will complement the soul and heritage of the region, ready to welcome guests back to the iconic rainforest retreat. Check out their website for more information.



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**INDEPENDENT**

**Bundaberg, Queensland**

*Opening 2021*

## LADY MUSGRAVE HQ

Get ready to jump aboard Queensland's second underwater accommodation on the Great Barrier Reef - Lady Musgrave HQ, a new pontoon providing a novel experience for day trippers, divers and educational groups off the coast of Bundaberg.

Launching in 2021, the pontoon and underwater observatory will cater to both day and overnight visitors. The overnight experience will attract divers and educational groups to immerse themselves in the Southern Great Barrier Reef and sleep underwater in retractable bunk beds located in the pontoon observatory. The day tour experience is set to be popular with leisure travelers and families, who can explore the diverse ecosystem of Lady Musgrave Island and the surrounding lagoon which is home to a thriving turtle population. Visit their website for more information.



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**Sydney, New South Wales**  
*Opening late 2021*

## PORTER HOUSE HOTEL

Accor will open a new-build luxury boutique MGallery hotel, The Porter House Hotel Sydney, on Castlereagh Street in late 2021.

This landmark mixed-use development will comprise a 36-storey tower with a 121-room hotel housed over levels 1-9 with 131 residential apartments above on levels 10-34. Designed by the award-winning Candelapas & Associates architects, the hotel and residential apartments will interweave the existing 1870s heritage-listed Porter House adjacent to the tower, which will be thoughtfully redeveloped as part of the project.

Guest rooms and suites in the new tower will take their cue from the heritage building with thoughtful use of materials and detailing. The Porter House Hotel will also feature an array of additional facilities, including lobby, pool and fitness centre, two restaurants, a fourth floor bar with roving art gallery, meeting and private dining facilities and a business centre. Keep an eye on the website for further details.



## INDEPENDENT

### Snowy Mountains, New South Wales

*Opened February 2021*

# CRAFTERS AT CRACKENBACK

Craftres at Crackenback is the Snowy Mountains' new luxury eco-cabin that provides guests with the ability to relax, recharge and log off. The cabin is decked out with every modern comfort one could need whilst being 100% off grid. Guests can take in the breathtaking natural environment of the snowy mountains in the eco-resort located five minutes from Jindabyne. Visit their website to book a stay now.



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**INDEPENDENT****King Island, Tasmania**  
*Opened February 2021*

## KITTAWA LODGE

Kittawa Lodge is redefining the King Island experience, as the only luxury accommodation with on-site staff. Set within an exclusive 96-acre property on King Island off the North-West coast of Tasmania, Kittawa Lodge offers refined boutique accommodation, with panoramic views of the untouched rugged coastal landscape. Unparalleled sophistication and attention to detail await. Escape, revive, explore and indulge in the lap of luxury by booking via their website.

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KING ISLAND TASMANIA



## INDEPENDENT

### Nagambie, Victoria

Opened February 2021

# MITCHELTON AIRSTREAM HOTEL

Uniquely located between the Goulburn River and the vineyards, Mitchelton Airstream Hotel combines the best of both worlds, offering guests an adventurous escape surrounded by nature with all the facilities of a luxury hotel at your fingertips. Each Airstream is fitted with all the creature comforts of home including private ensuites, luxe linens, wifi, TV and their own private deck with bush or vineyard views.

Room rates include a deluxe breakfast hamper each day as well as a complimentary mini bar stocked with snacks, water and soft-drink. As guests relax on the deck at sunset, keep an eye out for the local wildlife which includes white cockatoos, kangaroos and even emus, who emerge at dusk to watch the sunset. Visit their website to book now.



[AIRSTREAM HOTEL](#)



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## INDEPENDENT

### Stradbroke Island, Queensland

Opened February 2021

# BELLES ON BALLOW

Minjerribah (North Stradbroke Island), an accessible island paradise on the doorstep of Brisbane, has welcomed a new boutique seaside accommodation option at Amity Point with the launch of Belles on Ballow resort.

The refurbished waterfront bungalows boast uninterrupted vistas out to Moreton Bay and are able to accommodate for between 30 – 35 guests across the unique and authentic accommodation offering. The resort is set over one and half acres of lush landscaped tropical gardens complete with four holiday bungalows (each sleeping up to five guests and one pet friendly option), soon-to-be-released holiday house (sleeping up to eight guests), sparkling inground pool, private jetty and communal waterfront Cabana bar area fronting the water.

As an added bonus your rental costs also include linen, booking fee and one return barge transfer so you can simply relax and enjoy your stay.



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Accommodation

**CABN****McLaren Vale, South Australia***Opening April 2021*

## CABN X GILES & WILLIAM

Nature and wellness focused tourism company, CABN, is set to roll out its first premium accommodation cabins in April 2021.

The two new cabins, located minutes from McLaren Vale with coastal views through to Port Willunga, will set new standards in the regenerative travel market and will offer visitors an exceptional wellbeing experience, in a private nature setting.

CABN's new premium cabins are available from 2 April 2020 at \$595 per night which includes Gemtree Wines and local produce from the McLaren Vale region. Bookings are available online.

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**CABN X**



## INDEPENDENT

### Beechmond, Queensland

*Opening early 2021*

# HAZELWOOD ESTATE

Take a moment to breathe in the refreshing country air and embrace a slower state of being when Hazelwood Estate swings open its gates in early 2021. Tucked away in the hills of World Heritage Listed Lamington National Park, Hazelwood Estate will offer luxury glamping accommodation, onsite day spa, infinity swimming pool and wagyu cellar door. The team will also work with local farmers to produce an authentic on-farm paddock-to-plate experience to complement the rural setting and traditional roots of the property.

The 75-acre working polo and wagyu cattle farm in Beechmont is the latest eco-tourism product to call the Scenic Rim home; projected to attract 18,000 visitors a year to the region and inject an additional \$4.5 million into the economy. The venue will also drive visitation to the region via weddings and specialty events. Check out their website for more information



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## INDEPENDENT

**Noosa, Queensland**

*Opened February 2021*

# NOOSA ECO RETREAT

Situated in the heart of Noosa's biosphere, Noosa Eco Retreat represents eco-tourism at its finest. Set in over 100 private acres and with never more than 12 adult guests, it's the perfect setting to rewind, revitalise and reconnect in nature.

Stay in one of only six spacious, self-contained, eco-luxe Yurts, set privately and enjoying unparalleled views of the iconic Mount Coorooro. Be among the first to experience the beauty and the wild of Noosa Eco Retreat. Visit their website to book now.



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# FUTURE ACCOMMODATION ANNOUNCEMENTS



**Gold Coast, Queensland**  
*Opening 2022*



## MONDRIAN

# MONDRIAN GOLD COAST

Penned for a grand opening in 2022, Australia's first Mondrian hotel and branded residences will have a prime beachfront location with ocean views when it is built at Burleigh Heads, one of the Gold Coast's most desirable neighborhoods.

With 262 feet (80 metres) of ocean frontage, guests and residents will benefit from direct access to the world-famous surf beach of Burleigh Heads when they step out the front door. The property will feature two distinct towers to separate the private residences, comprised of 89 luxury residential apartments, from the hotel, which will encompass 208 guestrooms.

The buildings will be united by a three-level podium that acts as common space and hub of activity, including a state-of-the-art fitness centre, spa, restaurants, and swimming pools, all overlooking the beach and Burleigh Headland National Park. Check the website for further details.



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