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UPCOMING FESTIVALS & EVENTS

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

DECEMBER	JANUARY	FEBRUARY
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National Cherry Festival - Young, New South Wales (1 - 3 December) • KFC Men's Big Bash League commences - Brisbane/Meeanjin, Queensland (7 December) • Carols in the Park - Melbourne/Narrm, Victoria (24 December) • Rolex Sydney Hobart Yacht Race - Sydney/Warrane, New South Wales & Hobart/nipaluna, Tasmania (26 December) • United Cup - Perth/Boorloo, Western Australia (29 December - 3 January) • NRMA Insurance Boxing Day Test v Pakistan - Melbourne/Narrm, Victoria (26 December) • Sydney New Years Eve Fireworks - Sydney/Warrane, New South Wales (31 December) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Street Machine Summernats 36 - Canberra, Australian Capital Territory (4 - 7 January) • Sydney Festival - Sydney/Warrane, New South Wales (5 - 29 January) • Magic Millions - Gold Coast, Queensland (6 January) • Santos Tour Down Under 2024 - Adelaide/Tarntanya, South Australia (12 - 24 January) • Australian Open - Melbourne/Narrm, Victoria (14 - 28 January) • FRINGE WORLD - Perth/Boorloo, Western Australia (19 January - 18 February) • Sydney Lunar Festival - Sydney/Warrane, New South Wales (21 January - 5 February) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Laneway Festival - Sydney/Warrane, New South Wales (4 February) • Mona Foma - Hobart/nipaluna, Tasmania (15 - 25 February) • Feastival - Falls Creek, Victoria (16 - 18 February) • Riverboats Music Festival - Echuca, Victoria (16 - 18 February) • Sydney Gay and Lesbian Mardi Gras - Sydney/Warrane, New South Wales (16 February - 3 March) • National Multicultural Festival - Canberra, Australian Capital Territory (16 - 18 February) • Adelaide Fringe Festival - Adelaide/Tarntanya, South Australia (16 February - 17 March)

An aerial photograph of a lush green mangrove forest. A narrow waterway winds through the center of the forest, with a small boat with a white canopy floating on it. The sky is a warm, golden-orange color, suggesting a sunset or sunrise. The text 'TOURISM PRODUCTS & EXPERIENCES' is overlaid in large, bold, white letters across the middle of the image.

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Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park, Northern Territory
Opened August 2023

WINTJIRI WIRU TWILIGHT

Building on the success of the Wintjiri Wiru light show launched earlier this year, Voyages Indigenous Tourism launches the new Wintjiri Wiru Twilight experience - an immersive light and sound voyage like no other on Earth.

Located at the iconic Ayers Rock Resort at Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park, watch the sky come to life as the Pitjantjatjara people share ancestral stories told through breathtaking choreographed drones, lasers and projections that illuminate the vast night sky.

Twilight guests can also taste local native flavours including Australian wines, delicious cheese and desserts while marvelling at Uluru's sublime twilight silhouette.

In addition, Voyages has introduced pricing for children aged 5-15 years and age-appropriate hampers to allow kids to join in this breathtaking cultural experience.

For more information visit the Ayers Rock Resort website.



1770 REEF

Lady Musgrave Island, Queensland

Opened August 2023

1770 REEF'S NEW GLASS BOTTOM BOAT

Embark on an unforgettable reef experience aboard 1770 Reef's new custom-built glass-bottom boat and immerse yourself in the breathtaking depths of the Southern Great Barrier Reef, spotting green sea turtles, manta rays and coral gardens.

Located 59 kilometres/32 miles from the North Queensland coastline, explore the magic of Lady Musgrave Island and its surrounding crystal clear waters. Immerse yourself in the wonders of the sea and learn about the fascinating underwater ecosystem; either from the comfort of the new vestle or with a guided snorkelling tour.

For accessible boarding, the boat is also equipped with a ramp and rail to facilitate easier boarding and disembarking, and an open-sided design allowing uninterrupted reef views across the Lady Musgrave Lagoon and Island.

For bookings, visit the 1770 Reef website.



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Sydney/Warrane, New South Wales

Opened September 2023

NGUWING NURA

Encounter some of Australia's most unique and rare nocturnal animal species at nguwing nura, an interactive experience at Sydney/Warrane's harbourside Taronga Zoo.

Step into the world of nguwing nura (meaning Nocturnal Country) and be transported to the deserts of Central and Western Australia or the bushland of the East Coast to discover Australia's fascinating night-loving wildlife including Spinifex Hopping Mice, Fat-tailed Dunnarts, Ghost Bats, Chuditch (Western Quoll), Rufous Bettongs, Greater Bilbies and Yellow-bellied Gliders.

Just under 30 minutes aboard a ferry from Sydney Circular Quay, Taronga Zoo's nguwing nura completes the Nura Diya Australia experience at Taronga which aims to educate and inspire guests to care and protect wildlife found in their Australian backyard.

Book your journey into wildlife's nightlife at Taronga Zoo Sydney's website.



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VIRGIN VOYAGES

Virgin Voyages is expanding into Australia with 19 new ports and 27 exciting itineraries that will take fun-seeking sailors to distinctly Australian locations while experiencing elevated luxury and Michelin-star food.

New itineraries cover some of Australia's unique gems such as the tropical paradise of Port Douglas, Kangaroo Island's rugged beauty, and the red sand of Broome/Rubibi.

Onboard, guests can enjoy Michelin-starred offerings across six signature restaurants, a stellar lineup of entertainment, and world-class amenities, including the [Virgin Voyages Shake For Champagne™](#) - the new shake up on champagne delivery service via their app.

One of Virgin Voyages most star studded ships, Resilient Lady, will also make a return to Australian ports, offering 2-14 night itineraries, covering Australian hotspots such as Hobart/nipaluna, Burnie and Sydney/Warrane.

Book a trip you'll never forget at Virgin Voyages' website.



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Melbourne/Narrm, Victoria

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POSITIVE IMPACT ADVENTURE

Explore the beautiful sights of the Wadawurrung Country in Victoria and join Wild Adventures Melbourne (WAM) on their new guided tour: The Positive Impact Adventure, an innovative day tour featuring outdoor adventure and purpose led experiences.

The tour kicks off at Bellarine Peninsula, just over an hour south of Melbourne/Narrm, where guests can learn from environmental leaders about the skills and knowledge needed to make positive change.

The tour takes guests on a range of outdoor adventures exploring the beautiful regions of Australia, from stunning bush walks and snorkelling with marine life, to sustainable farm visits and local conservation projects.

As one of Australia's only B-Corp certified operators, WAM operates all tours with sub zero waste and donates at least five percent of its revenue to good causes across Australia.

Book in your next trip at Wild Adventures Melbourne's website.



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Jervis Bay, New South Wales

Opened October 2023

JERVIS BAY STARGAZING

Experience an awe-inspiring stargazing experience in the beachside setting of Jervis Bay and experience celestial wonders only visible from the Southern hemisphere with a new guided tour.

Located a two and a half hour drive from Sydney/Warrane, the 90 minute tour offers laser-guided naked-eye astronomy and telescope viewing of the Moon, planets, star clusters and nebulae, led by a local Astrophysicist.

Listen to fascinating constellation storytelling next to the sound of crashing waves, with the opportunity to spot the famous bioluminescence phenomenon from the beach.

Running every Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, tour guests can also take home a complimentary digital night sky photograph.

Book your journey through the stars at Jervis Bay Stargazing's website.



IMAX SYDNEY

Sydney/Warrane, New South Wales

Opened October 2023

IMAX SYDNEY REOPENS

Offering the most advanced theatre experience via 4K laser projection, rediscover the magic of cinema at Sydney/Warrane's newly revamped IMAX theatre, located in Darling Harbour's newest luxury accommodation opening, W Sydney.

After a grand seven year makeover, the theatre reopens with a colossal 692-square-metre screen bringing visuals to life with crystal-clear imagery through the advanced 4K laser projection system, to truly rival the iconic cinemas of New York, Cannes and Tokyo. Sink into one of 430 luxury seats and let the 12-channel sound system engulf you in a cinematic adventure.

The 'Your Cinema, Your Way' seating experience offers a range of full recliners, private pods and couples seating. For an elevated option, opt for a premium package with private box for four, featuring an exclusive food and drink menu.

Tickets are available online for a seamless booking experience.



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Bullo River Station, Northern Territory

Opened October 2023

BULLO RIVER STATION NEW HELICOPTER TOUR

Soar over the beautiful setting of Bullo River Station and experience Australia's First Nations culture and the wondrous depths of the Northern Territory's outback with the new helicopter tour available to guests staying at the station.

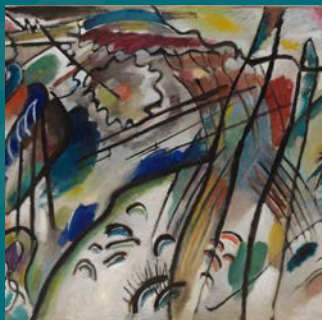
In partnership with certified sustainable tourism operators, Kingfisher Tours, and led by the the local land owners, Djarrany-Djarrany, guests are taken along winding gorges while hearing stories of the land.

Adventurers will also be taken to nearby private waterfalls to enjoy a gourmet picnic, explore swimming holes high up on the escarpment and visit hidden Aboriginal rock art sites. Other activities also include collecting mussels, mastering throw net fishing, and a visit to the wetlands and surrounding springs.

Bullo River Station is best accessed via private charter plane, so be sure to enquire with the Bullo River Station team about your best transport solution before booking.

Book your escape at Bullo River Station's website.





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Sydney/Warrane, New South Wales

Opened November 2023

KANDINSKY

Embrace the essence of one of Europe's great artistic innovators and modernist, Vasily Kandinsky (1866 - 1944), with the largest-ever display of his works on Australian shores at Art Gallery of New South Wales.

Curated in collaboration with New York's Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, the new exhibition presents over 50 artworks from the full breadth of Kandinsky's career including some of the 20th centuries' most ground-breaking and experimental work, and his early career masterpieces *Blue Mountain* (1908–09); *Painting with white border* (1913), *Dominant Curve* (1936) and *Composition 8* (1923).

Explore this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity from 4 November 2023 until 10 March 2024 with tickets now available on the Art Gallery of New South Wales' website.



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ANCIENT & MODERN
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Darwin/Gulurrdgen, Northern Territory

Opened November 2023

2023 TELSTRA NATSIAA AWARDS

Explore the breadth of Australian First Nation's artistry and cultural celebration with 60 new artworks featured at the 2023 Telstra National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Awards (NATSIAA).

Hosted in Darwin/Gulurrdgen's Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory (MAGNT), experience art from both emerging and established Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists, reflecting the diverse stories, histories, cultures, and connections to Country central to First Nations artmaking.

On 14 November 2023, from 11am to 12pm, delve deeper into the exhibition with insights provided by MAGNT Curator of Aboriginal Art and Material Culture, Rebekah Raymond, learning about the rich cultural tapestry the artworks represent.

Book your spot to experience this celebration of Indigenous artistry and cultural heritage.

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Bamurru Plains, Northern Territory

Opening March 2024

WILD TASTES OF THE TOP END: A CULINARY SAFARI

From March 2024, Bamurru Plains guests are invited to experience a hands-on four day culinary safari celebrating native ingredients and wild bush flavours that are distinct to Australia's Top End habitat.

Led by award winning Australian chef, James Viles, food connoisseurs will embark on an unforgettable adventure at Bamurru Plains luxury lodge, through a guided wilderness experience via airboat and over land aboard an open-air four-wheel drive.

Surrounded by 300 square kilometers/115 square miles of floodplain and savannah woodlands adjacent to Kakadu National Park, the experience will uncover the natural beauty and rich diversity of Northern Territory incredible food.

Be sure to secure a limited spot for the experience from 24 - 27 March 2024 via Bamurru Plains website.





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Adelaide/Tarntanya, South Australia

Opening May 2024

SANTOS WHEELCHAIR RUGBY NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

Due to kick off in May 2024, Adelaide/Tarntanya will become home to the Wheelchair Rugby National Championships for the next three years.

Wheelchair Rugby Australia invites sport fans to experience the action and witness the final games before Australia's elite players set their sights on the 2024 Paris Paralympic Games in August - September.

The major acquisition will see Australia's top wheelchair rugby talent, and at least two invitational international teams, converge at Netball South Australia Stadium from 2 - 5 May 2024.

Tickets to the 2024 Santos Wheelchair Rugby National Championship will become available in December 2023 through the website.



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Sydney/Warrane, New South Wales

Opened July 2023

KURUMBA

Located in Sydney/Warrane's lively suburb of Surry Hills, indulge in a tasty fusion of Sri Lankan cuisine and enjoy a vibrant ground level bar at Kurumba.

Bringing a modern spin to generational recipes, the culinary ensemble at Kurumba is a family affair, led by acclaimed Head Chef, Augustus (Augi) de Hoedt and his wife and two sons. Symbolising a baby coconut in Sinhala, the name Kurumba informs the venue's inviting design, with warm, green tones, batik features and artwork by a local Sri Lankan artist.

The innovative menu features signature dishes highlighting Australian and Sri Lankan produce, such as lobster kuttu, Kurumba roast chicken and more. Kurumba has also partnered with a local brewery to create its bespoke beer along with other local Sri Lankan beers and spirits.

For bookings, visit the Kurumba website.





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Melbourne/Narrm, Victoria

Opened August 2023

SQUARE ONE RIALTO CAFE

Situated on one of Melbourne/Narrm's most bustling streets on the ground floor of The Rialto Hotel, social impact coffee roaster and cafe, Square One Rialto, adopts a new and unique approach to its seasonal menu.

Every three months, 10 chefs are serving 10 innovative dishes spotlighting quality produce grown on nearby farmland. For the menu's first season, diners can expect star appearances from Lee Ho Fook's chef Victor Liong with his cumin-lamb pancake with Lanzhou chilli oil, and Kiln's Mitch Orr's ube waffle with whipped Pepe Saya butter, along with seasonal staples like chilli-whipped ricotta, seasonal omelette, and eggs on toast.

The cafe sets out to create a positive impact for the community with 10% of all profits going to its social enterprise [Common Ground Project](#).

For more information, visit the Square One Rialto website.



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Melbourne/Narrm, Victoria*Opened August 2023*

STUDLEY PARK BOATHOUSE

Enjoy a uniquely crafted Australian menu and local wine at the newly renovated Studley Park Boathouse on the banks of Melbourne/Narrm's stunning Yarra River.

First established in 1863, the Studley Park Boathouse is the river's oldest public boathouse. After undergoing extensive redevelopment, the \$5.8 million transformation now provides a range of three distinct modern spaces including a waterfront deck that flows on from the Pavilion dining space, offering a beautiful riverside dining experience.

With a unique range of dishes, Studley Park Boathouse curates Australian produce-led, seasonal menus, along with signature cocktails and an all Victorian wine list.

For more details, visit the Studley Park Boathouse.

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Melbourne/Narrm, Victoria

Opened August 2023

BESO

Located on Melbourne/Narrm's vibrant Flinders Lane, guests are invited to indulge in the flavours and colours of contemporary Spanish cuisine and tapas at Beso.

Led by head chef, Ana Cortes Garcia, former Head Chef of two-hatted Lee Ho Fook, Beso showcases Garcia's personal interpretation of Spanish food. With two decades of esteemed culinary experience, Garcia combines the best elements of Spanish cuisine with innovative culinary techniques using top-tier Australian produce.

Enjoy a range of reimagined tapas including crowd favourites chicharrones with togarashi, Córdoba oxtail dumplings with Parmentier and Lanzhou chilli oil.

Guest are welcomed by floor-to-ceiling windows, long leather banquettes, an illuminated marble bar and a kitchen surrounding an open flame for an intimate dining experience.

Visit the Beso website for more details.



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BESO

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PUTTANESCA

Renowned Australian chef Guy Grossi opens his newest venture Puttanesca, inside Melbourne/Narrm's Clifton Hotel, promising a modern laid back dining experience paired with delicious Italian classics.

Following the success of his previous restaurants including Grossi Fiorentino and Grossi Grill, Puttanesca is a vivacious and playful Italian Restaurant featuring classic family dishes with a refreshing Italian flair.

The space is designed with inviting interiors; sunset-hued terrazzo and posters of iconic film stars providing a fun and flirty experience.

Named after arguably the most delicious pasta sauce, Puttanesca serves up a quintessential Italian menu with a twist with its menu featuring woodfired clam pizzas, bolognese jaffles and an Italian-style take on the classic pub burger.

For more information on Puttanesca, visit their website.

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Sydney/Warrane, New South Wales

Opened September 2023

EASY TIGER

Steps from Bondi Beach sits Easy Tiger, a restaurant offering a vibrant and energetic dining experience featuring bold South-East Asian flavours and beer brewed on site.

Head chef Andrianto (Andy) Wirya takes inspiration from his Indonesian heritage, along with iconic flavours of Vietnam, Philippines, Singapore and Thailand to create a harmoniously curated menu of reimagined pan-Asian dishes like crispy corn larb, beef rendang party pie, babi guling buns and more.

Home to the local beer brand, Bondi Brewing Co., guests are invited to try freshly brewed Asian-inspired rice beers and light crisp styles that perfectly complement the Asian cuisine, alongside a range of Asian-inspired cocktails.

For bookings, visit the Easy Tiger website.



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BEYOND DISTILLING

Margaret River, Western Australia

Opened September 2023

BEYOND DISTILLING

Set in the bustling foodie town Margaret River, Beyond Distilling invites guests to indulge in the unique taste of Western Australian gin, served with welcoming Aussie charm.

Bringing 20 years of experience to the table, winemaker and Distiller Greg Garnish has paired up with retired Australian Football League player Josh Kennedy and former teammate Chris Masten to develop a range of award-winning gins utilising sustainably sourced grains and grown botanicals from across all regional areas.

Open daily for tastings, Beyond Distilling is a must-see for lovers of craft spirits. Guests can witness the distillery in action and the talented distillers working the still where they bottle and blend every single bottle. Greg, Josh, and Chris will take guests through a tasting of the Beyond Distilling range, and their signature Distillery Collection range.

For more information, visit the Beyond Distilling website.



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Canberra, Australian Capital Territory

Opened September 2023

KOTO

Right in the heart of 'The Lobby' in Canberra's historical Parliamentary Triangle, lies newly opened KOTO, serving top quality sushi presented by esteemed sushi master Shinya Nakano.

Offering an all-encompassing cultural dining experience, KOTO's menu has been meticulously created by Executive Chef and Sushi Master Shinya Nakano.

Nakano trained in Kyoto with a fifth-generation sushi master, and boasts an acclaimed background from Nobu and Kisume in Melbourne/Narrm, where he was awarded two-hats in the Good Food Guide for his 18-course omakase-style menu.

The KOTO menu features dishes inspired by traditional Japanese cuisine informed by Japanese kaiseki philosophy (the is the belief in seasonality and locality) and includes an extensive selection of nigiri, sashimi, maki rolls, robata and more.

Experience the very best in sushi and book a spot at the KOTO website.



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Melbourne/Narrm, Victoria

Opened September 2023

WITH GUSTO

Found on Melbourne/Narrm's bustling Little Collins Street, With Gusto offers an intimate wine cellar experience showcasing Victoria's best wineries and artisanal producers.

With Gusto provides an exciting wine shopping experience combining global hospitality experience and local wine knowledge. Before you buy, visitors are offered the chance to sample a wide variety of regional Victorian produce all under one roof.

More than just a wine store, With Gusto also offers an array of Victoria's finest regional produce, including artisanal cheeses, locally-crafted spirits, exquisite charcuterie, gourmet chocolates, and a selection of irresistible snacks.

Learn more about With Gusto Regional Store via their website.

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Margaret River, Western Australia

Opened October 2023

SWINGS & ROUNDABOUTS CELLAR DOOR

Located three hours from Perth/Boorloo, in one of Australia's most prestigious wine regions, guests are invited to explore Swings & Roundabouts' new cellar door in Margaret River.

Surrounded by the beautiful scenery of Yallingup, wine lovers are invited to experience the cosy cellar door hidden behind grand timber doors, indulge in an elevated wine tasting experience with Swings & Roundabouts' signature warmth and character.

With its recent acquisition of Brash Road Vineyard, a 24-year-old sustainability-certified vineyard, the vineyard now produces Cabernet Sauvignon, Shiraz, Chardonnay and Sauvignon Blanc in low volume and high quality and has been the recipient of various accolades.

Head to the Swings & Roundabouts' website for more information.



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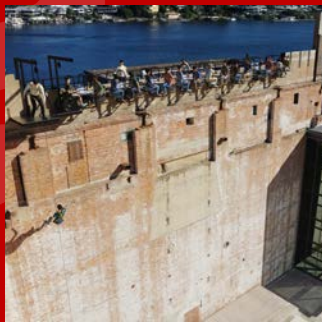
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BRISBANE POWERHOUSE

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Brisbane/Meeanjin, Queensland

Opened October 2023

VERTIGO BRISBANE

Cultural precinct, the Brisbane Powerhouse has taken fine dining to all new heights, with Australia's first vertical restaurant, Vertigo. With your seat suspended at the table, 17 metres/55 feet above ground, enjoy an exclusive and thrilling gastronomic experience like never before.

Experience city vistas with this unique combination of adventure and fine dining, with dishes featuring locally sourced produce from fine dining restaurant Bar Alto.

The meal finishes with the option to either descend through Brisbane Powerhouse or via an adrenaline-pumping dropline exit down the building's facade.

Bookings available online at the Vertigo Brisbane website.



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Melbourne/Narrm, Victoria

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GHOST DONKEY

Following huge success in America and New Zealand, Ghost Donkey brings its Mexican flair to Australia for the very first time, announcing its new venue in Crown Melbourne. The renowned New York bar celebrates the warmth of Mexican hospitality, featuring eccentric and quirky design.

With Mexican heritage at its core, Ghost Donkey provides over 35 mezcals and tequilas served traditionally in either handmade copitas or shot glasses, and served alongside fresh seasonal fruit and salts. The drinks menu also highlights the El Burro Fantasma signature cocktail, served in a proprietary ceramic donkey cup and topped with fresh flowers.

Those looking for some classic Mexican cuisine to soak up the cocktails can enjoy a menu with crowd favourites including Baja kingfish tacos, mole chicken soft shell tacos, Sonoran hot dogs, elotes and churros.

For more information, visit Crown Melbourne's website





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Melbourne/Narrm, Victoria

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ROOFTOP AT QT

Conveniently located on one of Melbourne/Narrm's busiest streets, admire sweeping views of the vibrant city and a range of cheeky cocktails at QT's new rooftop bar.

Heading for higher ground, Melbourne's esteemed locale is home to bold new cocktails and savours sun-kissed Mediterranean food flavours. Pair innovative cocktails with a range of creative bar snacks such as snapper cannoli, suckling croquette, lobster cocktail and more.

Stepping out to unparalleled cityscape surrounds, guests will see eye-to-eye with Melbourne's iconic skyline at Rooftop at QT. The reimagined rooftop includes intimate alcoves featuring private booths, a private lounge and outdoor bar, blended with modern design and bespoke art.

For more information on Rooftop at QT, visit their website.





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Cairns/Gimuy, Queensland

Opened October 2023

CALYPSO CLUB

Calypso Club is the vibrant new rum bar and seafood kitchen in Northern Queensland's tropical city of Cairns/Gimuy, decorated with warm sunset hues to bring to life the epitome of Aussie beachside living.

Tucked inside the Crystalbrook Riley, Calypso Club is inspired by endless summers spent lounging by the pool and invites guests to unwind while savouring fresh seafood and curated cocktails. Led by cocktail expert, Tom Bulmer, from The Social Spirits, the unique cocktail offering pays homage to the region's sugar cane history, highlighting local and international rums and fresh tropical fruit.

Calypso Club's dining menu draws inspiration from beloved Australian fish and chip shops and American crab shacks, with modern takes on fish burgers, grilled scallops, and bug rolls all using fresh seasonal seafood.

For more information, visit the Crystalbrook Collection's website.





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Perth/Boorloo, Western Australia

Opened October 2023

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In the heart of Perth/Boorloo, Enoteca Centro is the intimate haven for wine lovers offering expert wine tastings in a friendly and inviting atmosphere.

Offering a cellar door type experience, guests are invited to explore and sample a range of varietals produced both locally and around the world. In addition to casual wine nights, Enoteca Centro also runs wine courses and masterclasses, where guests can taste, experience and learn.

Pair the world-class wines with an Italian-inspired food menu including charcuterie and a selection of cheeses, perfect for pre-dinner reservations.

For more information, visit Enoteca Centro's website.



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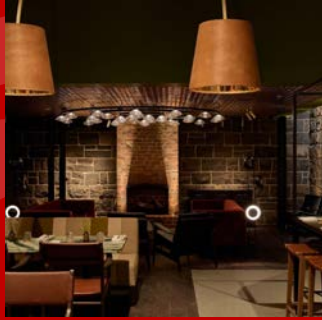
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Ballarat, Victoria

Opened October 2023

THE GOODS SHED

Inspired by the regional town of Ballarat's local spirit, The Goods Shed has recently opened its beautifully refurbished heritage space, serving up an enticing line up of dishes and drinks.

Located just over an hours drive west of Melbourne/Narrm, in the vibrant city of Ballarat, the new hangout highlights local fresh ingredients, offering a sensational tasting experience through innovative meals and delicious drinks, all served with a warm, friendly service.

The vast yet cosy nooks and crannies create an inviting atmosphere for guests to dine, sip and stay, all encompassed by the charming bluestone walls and high ceilings of the retained Ballarat Goods Shed shell.

To learn more about the reimagined Goods Shed in Ballarat, visit their website.

THE GOODS SHED

Sydney/Warrane, New South Wales

Opened October 2023

EDDY'S BY BATHERS' PAVILION

Located overlooking one of Sydney/Warrane's most stunning harbour spots, Balmoral Beach, the team behind the successful Bathers' Pavilion has popped up a new summer hangout spot, Eddy's.

Eddy's is a cross between an enoteca (regional wine shop) and an Aussie-style milk bar. Created to attract beach goers, Eddy's offers a casual beachside dining experience and delicious takeaway, with a menu featuring their hero Roman-style pizza.

Open for breakfast, lunch and dinner, Eddy's offers a range of pastries and baked goods headed by pastry chef at Bathers' Pavilion, Shruti Punji. Guests can also indulge in a range of irresistible dishes featuring ciabatta crostini with scrambled eggs and parmesan, spaghetti aglio e olio, and pineapple carpaccio with yoghurt and mint.

For more details, visit the Bathers' Pavilion website.

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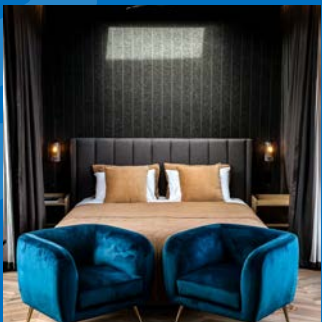
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An aerial photograph of a coastal landscape. In the foreground, a small, dark-colored building with a flat roof sits on a grassy hill. A paved road curves around the building. The middle ground shows a rocky coastline with waves crashing against the shore. The background is a vast expanse of blue ocean under a sky with scattered clouds.

Kittawa Lodge, King Island
Tasmania
Credit: Oscar Sloane

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**CABN**IMAGERY HERE**Barossa Valley, South Australia***Opened September 2023*

CABN SEPPELTSFIELD

Located just an hours drive from Adelaide/Tarntanya, CABN has expanded its offering of eco-friendly stays, announcing four custom built luxury cabins in one of the world's most distinguished wineries - Seppeltsfield, Barossa Valley.

Nestled amongst trees, experience the ultimate nature retreat and enjoy luxury interiors and premium comforts, with rooms equipped with a spacious king bed, glass skylight, fireplace and a private cedar sauna.

Located in the heart of Australia's renowned Barossa Valley, guests can also indulge in some of the country's impressive culinary experiences at the neighbouring Seppeltsfield winery or enjoy surreal views of the iconic Avenue of Palms on Seppeltsfield road - a five kilometre/three mile trail of Canary Island Date Palms, planted by Seppeltsfield workers themselves.

Head to CABN's website and book your next stay.

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Byron Bay, New South Wales

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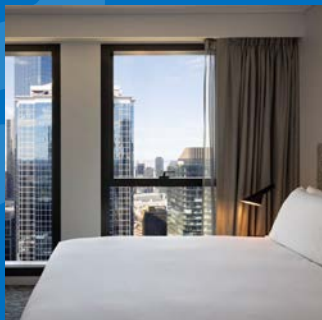
Escape into a bubble of comfort and experience a haven of tranquility at Blackbird Byron Bay. Nestled in the serene hills of the Byron Bay Hinterland 10 kilometres/6 miles from Mullumbimby town, enjoy on-site luxury amenities including a massage on arrival, a range of mineral pools and indulge in organic meals for an unforgettable experience.

Offering unmatched privacy, this adults-only retreat offers an intimate experience with interiors sourced by local creatives designed to seamlessly blend with nature.

Embraced by views of the magical surrounding hills and Australia's native species, Blackbird was born with sustainability at its core with its structure utilising recycled materials founded on site to help rejuvenate the fertile soil over time.

For more information, head to Blackbird's website for more information.





MERITON SUITES

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Melbourne/Narrm, Victoria

Opened September 2023

MERITON SUITES MELBOURNE

Meriton Suites adds a new addition to its collection of gorgeously appointed apartments, offering ultimate comfort located in the heart of Melbourne/Narrm.

Perfect for business and leisure travellers, its central location puts you within walking distance of Melbourne's iconic attractions, shopping and entertainment, with the bustling business district also at your doorstep.

Offering a variety of rooms, guests can enjoy brand-new apartment-style suites equipped with plush king-sized beds and a residential-sized kitchen with European-style appliances.

For those seeking a truly high-flying Melbourne experience, Meriton Suites Melbourne also offers two exclusive top-floor Penthouse Collection Suites showcasing unparalleled city views.

To book your next city stay at Meriton Suites Melbourne, visit their website.



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Geelong, Victoria
Opened September 2023

QUEST GEELONG CENTRAL

Just over an hour south of Melbourne/Narrm in Victoria's gateway city, Quest Geelong Central has opened its doors minutes from the city's renowned waterfront, Geelong Botanic Gardens, and a stone's throw from the centre of the regional city.

Offering a selection of apartments from studios to three-bedroom options, guests can enjoy a comfortable stay while making the most of conference facilities, business lounge and rooftop gym with stunning views over Geelong's Corio Bay.

A true gem for Geelong and the Bellarine Peninsula, Quest Geelong Central invites you to experience Victoria like a local, with team members ready to give you the rundown on Geelong's fast-growing dining scene and nearby adventures.

Book in at Quest Geelong Central via their website.

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Sydney/Warrane, New South Wales

Opened October 2023

W HOTEL

Embodying innovative design and unique architecture, W Hotel launches its new waterfront hotel located Sydney/Warrane's stunning Darling Harbour.

Experience beautifully designed interiors paying homage to the urban aspects of the city and enjoy a suite of hospitality and spa offerings along with luxury amenities including an open-air infinity pool showcasing knockout views of the city.

Electrifying the city's culinary scene, the W Hotel offers four dynamic dining venues, including all-day eatery spotlighting local produce and a late night dessert bar helmed by Singaporean pastry chef Janice Wong

Enjoy the bustling city of Sydney and enjoy unforgettable experiences and harbour views.

Book your stay at the W Sydney website.



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THE LANE RETREAT

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Hunter Valley, New South Wales

Opened October 2023

THE LANE RETREAT

Located on one of Bimbadgen's award winning vineyards in Pokolbin in the Hunter Valley Wine Region, The Lane Retreat is the newest premium accommodation destination featuring 60 studio retreats, each designed to experience its natural surroundings.

Located on 15 hectares of secluded vineyard and natural bushland, around three hours north of Sydney/Warrane, enjoy breathtaking panoramic views of the Broken Back Range.

Guests can lounge by the swimming pool or enjoy a glass of wine at one of the two outdoor gathering areas or take a visit to the bespoke Lane Pantry for fresh coffee, gourmet provisions and gifts. The Lane Retreat also offers wine tasting experiences and fine food at Bimbadgen's Esca Restaurant, just a three-minute drive away.

Book the ultimate winery stay now via the Lane Retreat website.



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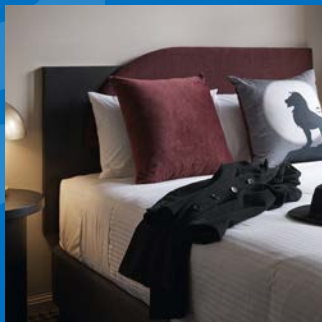
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THE CAPITOL HOTEL

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Sydney/Warrane, New South Wales

Opened October 2023

THE CAPITOL HOTEL

Encompassing style and sophistication, The Capitol Hotel celebrates Sydney/Warrane's performing arts history and boasts 95 showstopping new rooms decorated with custom art prints and lively interiors.

Found in the central Sydney suburb of Haymarket, previously home to the odd circus or vaudeville show, The Capitol Hotel sits next to one of Australia's only surviving atmospheric theatres, the heritage-listed Capitol Theatre.

Whether you're bringing the family, booking a work function, or staying for the pre-show atmosphere, this stylish new addition to Sydney's exciting arts and culture hub is the perfect location to explore the city's iconic sights.

Book your stay on centre stage at The Capitol Hotel's website.



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WOOLEEN STATION

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Murchison, Western Australia

Opened October 2023

MILIMANMANHA, WOOLEEN STATION

Set upon a quarter of a million acres, Wooleen Station cattle stay has injected new life into its century-old shearer's shed. Named Milimanmanha, the refurbished venue provides a new reception, café and art studio.

This historic station is nestled in the heart of Western Australia's rugged outback, a seven hour drive north of Perth/Boorloo, and now boasts a new shop for local creators and producers to showcase and sell their wares under the modern domed tin roof.

Working together with the local Wajarri community to define its meaning, the name Milimanmanha translates to bringing light to new possibilities and new knowledge, with the renovated space planned to offer artist residency in 2024.

Head to Wooleen Station's website to book your stay at this quintessentially Australian outback getaway.



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CHESHIRE CAT MOTEL

Gold Coast, Queensland
Opened November 2023

CHESHIRE CAT MOTEL

Indulge in a splash of '70s Australiana mixed with Palm Springs charm at the newly rejuvenated Cheshire Cat Motel in the Gold Coast.

With a chic revamp, the motel now showcases an eclectic design across its seven uniquely styled rooms, including a cosy two-bedroom bungalow, making it a perfect retreat for couples, friends or families.

Amidst the backdrop of soaring palm trees and pastel-coloured cacti, you're just a hop away from the sun-kissed sands of Gold Coast's captivating shores. The terracotta brick plunge pool is your cool-off spot, with the design hues of burnt orange, cream and sage adding to the nostalgic summer ambiance.

A breezy hour's drive from Brisbane/Meeanjin will land you in this quaint retreat, ready and waiting to serve a slice of paradise with a retro twist.

Book your next escape at Cheshire Cat Motel's website.



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PELORUS PRIVATE ISLAND

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Palm Island, Queensland*Opened November 2023*

PELORUS PRIVATE ISLAND

From November, guests can experience the untouched haven of Pelorus Private Island - the only private island embodying luxury on the World Heritage-listed Great Barrier Reef.

Nestled within the heart of the reef, the island is accessible by a short 30-minute helicopter or a private superyacht ride from Townsville. The secluded oasis boasts a singular, sprawling residence with four luxurious suites, offering an exquisite blend of privacy, personalised service, and natural opulence.

Offering a realm of bespoke experiences, guests can dive and snorkel through the Coral Sea's crystal-clear waters, ride the waves on guided jet ski or enjoy a more intimate exploration of the surrounding marine paradise.

Book your private escape as Pelorus Private Island's website.

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Townsville, Queensland

Opened November 2023

ARDO

Arriving this November, guests can enjoy a new era of luxury with the Ardo Hotel, located in tropical North Queensland.

Sitting on Townsville's waterfront, this \$88 million destination holds an ensemble of 132 rooms and suites, most with vistas of the serene Coral Sea, and premium rooms offering a visual feast with balconies offering 270-degree panoramic views.

The grand hotel features two world-class restaurants; the rooftop Marmor which celebrates regional produce in a contemporary Australian style and Terasu its groundfloor Japanese bistro offering a vivacious spin on the traditional cuisine.

Guests can sink into maximum relaxation at the luxurious day spa or rooftop pool deck, overlooking the beautiful backdrop of the Coral Sea and Magnetic Island or enjoy the adjacent Ville Resorts' world-class amenities including an oceanside pool, gym and casino.

Head to Ardo's website for more information and to make a booking.



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PAVILIONS AT LENSWOOD

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Adelaide Hills, South Australia

Opened November 2023

PAVILIONS AT LENSWOOD

Located only a 30 minute drive from South Australia's thriving capital Adelaide/Tarntanya, Pavilions at Lenswood offers a unique self-contained accommodation experience set in the beautiful Adelaide Hills.

Opening in November, Pavilions at Lenswood is a perfect setting surrounded by award-winning wineries and distilleries. Guests can also maximise their experience and indulge in tailored packages including helicopter winery tours, dinner under the stars, alfresco breakfasts with resident alpacas, and enjoy its Japanese Cedar hot tub.

This prestigious property offers six architecturally designed and exquisitely appointed pavilions. Each has its own design aesthetic, inspired in part by the classic hallmarks of a Swiss Alpine chalet, the minimalist beauty of a Japanese Onsen, or the majestic symmetry of the Art Deco era.

Book your relaxing getaway at the Pavilions at Lenswoods website.



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HOTEL SORRENTO

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Mornington Peninsula, Victoria

Opening December 2023

HOTEL SORRENTO

Hotel Sorrento is set to redefine seaside luxury this December, in the relaxing coastal destination of Sorrento in the Mornington Peninsula, under two hours south of Melbourne/Narrm.

Guests will soon be invited to enjoy luxury amenities including a 30-metre pool and terrace, five separate bars, two signature restaurants, and unparalleled vistas over the sparkling Port Phillip Bay - creating a comfortable and inviting space for guests to relax and unwind.

The 13 new suites will incorporate raw materials such as limestone, travertine, and timber, and will be designed with expansive windows in each suite to offer breathtaking views of the stunning surrounds. The hotel will also feature custom-designed furniture such as marble baths and offer a suite of spa experiences from soothing massages to rejuvenating fire and ice therapies.

Bookings are now open, head to the Hotel Sorrento for more information.



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Coral Bay, Western Australia
Opening 2025

NINGALOO REEF RESORT MAJOR REDEVELOPMENT

Set to open in 2025 the major redevelopment of the Ningaloo Reef Resort promises to be a state of the art sustainable complex located on one of Australia's most incredible coastlines, the World Heritage-listed Ningaloo Reef.

The \$70 million redevelopment will see the addition of 90 new holiday units, along with a new pool and sun lounge area, restaurant, bar, alfresco dining and function spaces.

The capacity of the resort is estimated to increase with a mix of new accommodation options, from hotel rooms to one, two and three-bedroom units offering stunning panoramic views out to the Indian ocean.

There will also be considerable investment in solar energy, adopting induction appliances and heat pump hot water systems to eliminate the need for gas, plus the inclusion of electric vehicle chargers.

Head to the Parks and Resorts website for more information.



A wide-angle photograph of a modern outdoor dining area. The space is covered by a large, curved white pergola with a slatted roof. To the left, there is a long bar with a stone and wood finish, illuminated from below. The floor is paved with light-colored tiles. In the center, a long, narrow planter box with a yellow base and purple flowers runs down the length of the area. To the right, there are long, low tables with white chairs, and a glass railing overlooking a city street. In the background, tall glass skyscrapers are visible under a clear sky.

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