



**THE STAR**  
GOLD COAST

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## **WHAT'S ON AT THE STAR GOLD COAST IN JULY**

Always entertaining, The Star Gold Coast will host a packed calendar of thrilling dining and entertainment experiences this July including live sport with State of Origin and Football World Cup, plus an exciting new dessert menu in Cucina Vivo, and Guy Sebastian in the Theatre.

### **NEWS**

#### **Food Fantasy set to transform to Harvest Buffet**

The Gold Coast's best-known buffet is set for a major transformation with Food Fantasy at The Star Gold Coast to close its doors following breakfast from July 3 to undergo a complete redesign and expansion.

Harvest Buffet will see capacity increase by more than 100 to approximately 500 seats, as well as the construction of a new state-of-the-art kitchen and a new entrance allowing for a more seamless entry into the popular restaurant.

A feast for the senses, Harvest Buffet will celebrate Australia's finest seasonal produce including a carvery station, a sumptuous seafood buffet, and a decadent dessert display featuring a custom designed chocolate fountain.

Having cemented its reputation over the decades as a Gold Coast dining icon, it will reopen in summer as Harvest Buffet – boasting an enhanced offering to further underpin The Star as the region's ultimate dining and entertainment destination.

### **SPECIAL EVENTS**

#### **State of Origin at The Star**

**Game 3 – Wednesday July 11, 2018**

Every big hit, incredible sidestep and unstoppable run.

Don't miss the final game of State of Origin 2018, as it's brought to you live, large and loud from our brand new Sports Bar, with a perfect symphony of atmosphere, giant 10.5m screen and cinema grade surround sound.



Featuring a large LED super screen, private booths, multi-screen viewing throughout, high acoustic ceilings with 5m floor to ceiling windows, the venue provides the ultimate sports viewing destination. Also unique to Sports Bar is a stunning outdoor terrace which has an additional five screens, fans and heaters allowing guests to relax all year round with the stunning Gold Coast skyline as the backdrop.

## **60<sup>th</sup> TV WEEK Logie Awards**

On Sunday 1 July, Australian television industry's biggest night of celebration, the 60<sup>th</sup> TV WEEK Logie Awards, will be broadcast to viewers across the nation, live from The Star Gold Coast.

Awaiting Logies guests will be a newly renovated five-star hotel, refurbished event facilities, multiaward winning restaurants and bars, and the centrepiece of the property's latest redevelopment – a luxurious suite hotel with stunning rooftop restaurant, bar and infinity pool.

The Star Gold Coast is looking forward to showcasing the property's luxurious facilities, and helping bring the prestigious and glamorous event to life.

The public are invited to watch the Logies broadcast, which will be screened live from Atrium Bar from 4pm.

Access to Broadbeach Island via T E Peters drive will be closed from 2.00pm until 7.00pm, Sunday 1 July. Bus services will not be accessing the island between 2.00pm and 7.00pm.

Visitors and guests wishing to access the carpark can enter via the southern entry off Hooker Boulevard during this time.

More information, click here: <https://www.star.com.au/goldcoast/60th-tv-week-logie-awards>.

## **2018 Football World Cup**

See every match from Russia live at The Star Gold Coast's amazing new Sports Bar, live, large and loud on the 10.5m LED super screen. More than 3 billion people will tune in to witness the world's greatest sporting tournament, be part of football glory and live the euphoria in a stadium like atmosphere. Seats are sure to be in high demand for Australia's next game, taking place on Wednesday June 27, against Peru.

Featuring a large LED super screen, private booths, multi-screen viewing throughout, high acoustic ceilings with 5m floor to ceiling windows, the venue provides the ultimate sports viewing destination. Fans can also enjoy the action on the outdoor terrace which has an additional five screens, fans and heaters allowing guests to soak up the Queensland climate all year round.



## DINING

### **New dessert menu at Cucina Vivo**

Italian favourite Cucina Vivo has overhauled its dessert menu, adding a contemporary twist to some traditional dishes.

The Chocolate Panna Cotta has been labelled as a 'chocolate lovers dessert'. Dark chocolate mousse is dehydrated overnight with the final crispy result light and airy (and also gluten free!) Prior to being served it is drizzled in more dark chocolate, and once at the table it is finished with the pouring of dark chocolate sauce swirled with frothy milk.

The Pistachio and Olive Oil cake proves itself to be a nutty yet surprisingly refreshing dessert. Made with a pistachio cream on the base, extra virgin olive oil cake, pistachio tuile, crème fraiche sorbet, and pistachio glass, fresh pistachios are then microplaned over the dish to finish.

Touted as the masterpiece of the new menu is The Amalfi Pearl. The dessert is a homage to Pastry Chef Salvatore De Riso who was the first pastry chef from the south of Italy to be admitted into the prestigious Academy of Italian Master Pastry Chefs. He has a pastry shop in the town of Minori on the Amalfi Coast, with one of his most famous creations a pear and ricotta cake featuring layers of hazelnut sponge, ricotta cream and pear. Cucina Vivo's Amalfi Pearl, created by assistant sous chef Tammy Cole, was inspired by this and on the plate, the dessert represents a pearl on the Amalfi Coast, surrounded by a bowl of rocks and moss (green sponge) to represent the rocky coast. The pearl consists of chocolate ricotta cake, Frangelico foam, pear sorbet, pear compote and roasted hazelnuts all encased in a white chocolate sphere, sprayed with a shimmer finish. Dry ice poured at the table completes the dish, reminiscent of mist coming off the water in the early hours of the morning.

### **Aperol pop-up bar at Cucina Vivo**

*Fridays and Saturdays from 4.30pm*

Join us for a cheeky sunset cocktail at our Aperol pop-up bar, located on the Cucina Vivo balcony in June. Try our range of Insta-worthy Aperol-inspired cocktails, or sample a few dishes from our delicious antipasti menu such as oysters, calamari or pan-seared octopus. Grab a blanket, settle back under the heater with friends and enjoy sunset views of the sweeping city skyline and pool. The perfect location for a pre- or post- dinner drink.

### **Truffle Month (coming in July)**

Truffle season will begin at The Star Gold Coast this July with signature restaurants including Cucina Vivo, Kiyomi, Garden Kitchen & Bar and Nineteen at The Star serving up the rare treats. Traditional Italian favourite Cucina Vivo will offer a rotating menu which will feature decadent truffle dishes across its entrée, pasta, main and dessert menus. Cutting-edge Japanese restaurant Kiyomi will also offer a rotating menu which will highlight the luxurious ingredient by including fresh sliced truffles on all of the special menu items. Garden Kitchen & Bar's special dishes will be on a



one-week rotation across the month, with the Oakey Angus Reserve Beef Tartare served with shavings of Tasmanian truffle, Roma tomato relish and peppered grissini sure to be highlight. Nineteen at The Star is sure to excite foodies with their dish of truffle risotto made with aged risotto rice (carnaroli) and served with shaved black truffle and chive oil. Guests will be able to indulge in the heavenly taste of these rare delights for as long as they remain in season.

## **ENTERTAINMENT**

### **Guy Sebastian**

*Friday July 6, doors open at 7pm*

This winter, for the first time in two and a half years, Guy Sebastian will be taking his band on the road with a hit-laden Then & Now 2018 Tour. One of Australia's most popular and successful male artists, Guy will bring a blockbuster set to some of his favourite regional cities throughout June and July. Recent releases from Guy's current album, Conscious, Bloodstone, and Set in Stone, will be performed alongside songs which have shaped his illustrious career for the past 15 years and made him one of Australia's most enduring artists, with over 40 platinum-certified releases and more than three million sales to date. Fans will also be treated to a sneak peek of his highly anticipated new material, set to be released later in the year. Supporting Guy on his Then & Now tour is Aussie-born, Chicago based singer Fatai.

### **Johnny Cash The Concert**

*Saturday July 7, doors open 7pm*

Johnny Cash The Concert returns in 2018 revisiting The Man in Black's most iconic album, *Johnny Cash at Folsom Prison* celebrating 50 years since its 1968 release.

### **Beyond the Barricade**

*Sunday July 8, doors open 2pm*

For the first time in Australia, enjoy the best-loved songs from the world's greatest West End and Broadway musicals in a glittering concert, starring past principal performers from Les Miserables and featuring hit songs from The Phantom of the Opera, Evita, Wicked, Miss Saigon, Mamma Mia with a spectacular finale from Les Miserables.

### **Anthony Callea**

*Saturday August 4, doors open 7pm*



*ARIA Number 1 Hits - In Concert* will be Anthony Callea's biggest and most exciting concert experience to date. Touring nationally, Anthony's flawless vocals will deliver these iconic Number 1 pop hits such as *Save the Best for Last*, *Everything I Do (I Do It For You)*, *All of Me*, and *It Must Have Been Love* as well as songs from his past six albums, accompanied by his full band and a beautiful string section.

Not only having one of the finest voices, Anthony's charisma, stage presence and engagement with his audience is what makes him one of Australia's most dynamic and unparalleled LIVE performers.

### **The Australian Bee Gees**

*Saturday August 18, doors open 7pm*

Fresh from celebrating seven years and well over 2,000 shows headlining on the Las Vegas strip, the Australian Bee Gees Show will be heading Down Under for the Australian leg of their 2018 'Direct from Vegas' world tour! This new show will be presented in two parts and feature all of the hits in a nostalgic trip down memory lane in a multimedia concert event.

After 21 years on the world stage and more than 6,500 performances in over 60 countries, The Australian Bee Gees Show has evolved to become the definitive live celebration of the wonderful music written by the Brothers Gibb.

For one night only be a part of the magic that is, The Australian Bee Gees Show.

### **Roy Orbison Orchestrated**

*Saturday August 25, doors open 7pm*

This is a once in a lifetime opportunity to experience what it might have been like if Roy Orbison had performed all his classics live on stage with a full orchestra.

After last years hugely successful sold out national tour, and by huge popular demand we will be showcasing and celebrating all the classic hits of music legend Roy Orbison starring The World's No 1 Roy Orbison Tribute Star Dean Bourne performing with the Australian Symphony Orchestra under the baton of internationally acclaimed conductor George Ellis.

2018 sees internationally renowned artist Dean Bourne celebrating his 21<sup>st</sup> Year Anniversary performing and paying the ultimate authentic tribute to The Big O showcasing all of Roy Orbison's massive iconic hits such as "Pretty Woman", "Crying", "Dream Baby", "Leah", "Penny Arcade", "Danny Boy", "Only The Lonely", "In Dreams", "Candy Man", "You Got It", "Running Scared" and many more together with a special celebration to the hugely popular "The Travelling Wilburys".

### **The Ultimate Queen Celebration**

*Thursday August 30*



From sold out concerts across North America, get ready to rock with Marc Matel, the greatest Freddie Mercury voice on the planet. No stranger to fronting Queen projects, Marc Matel was handpicked by Roger Taylor and Brian May to front their official Queen tribute in 2012. Martel launched his own project "The Ultimate Queen Celebration" in March 2017.

An absolute must for Queen fans!

### **The Simon & Garfunkel Story**

*Friday August 31, doors open 7pm*

Direct from sell out tours of the USA, UK and Europe, **The Simon & Garfunkel Story** returns to Australia this August.

Performing to great acclaim around the world, The Simon & Garfunkel Story tells the fascinating tale of how two young boys from Queens, New York went on to become the world's most successful music duo of all time. Starting from their humble beginnings as 50's rock n roll duo Tom & Jerry, The Simon & Garfunkel Story takes you through all the songs and stories that shaped them, the dramatic split, their individual solo careers and ending with a stunning recreation of the legendary 1981 Central Park reunion concert.

Featuring 1960s photographs and film footage accompanied by a full band performing all their hits including "Mrs Robinson", "Bridge Over Troubled Water", "Homeward Bound", Scarborough Fair, "The Boxer", "The Sound of Silence", and many more, this is a show not to be missed by any fan of the music and era.

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