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THE STAR BRISBANE PROVIDES A TASTE OF WHAT'S TO COME AS FIRST FOOD & BEVERAGE BOOKINGS OPEN

The Star Brisbane has opened bookings for the first of its highly anticipated food and beverage experiences, offering locals and visitors the opportunity to be among the first to secure a front-row seat to the resort's opening from 29 August.

From The Star's stand-out Japanese restaurant **Sokyo** and the new iteration of Luke Nguyen's iconic **Fat Noodle** to dining under the stars at the awe-inspiring Sky Deck venues and fresh new offerings from the who's who of Brisbane culinary, there will be something for everyone as The Star Brisbane's much-anticipated staged opening begins next week.

The Star Brisbane Chief Executive Officer Daniel Finch said the calibre of venues set to call The Star Brisbane home was testament the city's continuous evolution and willingness to look beyond the expected to create culinary destinations that feel unique to Queensland.

"We have been overwhelmed by the level of interest in the experiences we've announced to date and are thrilled to open the first bookings in anticipation for our staged opening from Thursday 29 August," said Mr Finch.

"With a full calendar of events over the next three months, including Brisbane Festival, football finals, Melbourne Cup and end of year festivities, The Star Brisbane will support our booming city by providing exceptional hospitality and entertainment throughout the resort.

"We have no doubt that Brisbane is in for a treat with a variety of day and night venues to open between August and November, catering to all tastes and appetites.

"We can't wait to welcome locals and visitors to enjoy their new precinct and look forwards seeing the growth and success of Brisbane as the resort and wider Queen's Wharf Brisbane precinct continues to evolve throughout the rest of the year and into 2025."

Opening from Thursday 29 August

With Executive Chef Alex Yu at the helm of **Sokyo Brisbane**, the chef who sold out six consecutive weeks of his Melbourne Omakase experience in just nine minutes, there's sure to be demand for the sought-after Japanese venue opening for dinner reservations from 5.00pm, Thursday 29 August.

Renowned for its traditional Japanese cooking techniques, Sokyo delivers unexpected twists to the dining experience, taking the ordinary to extraordinary. The creative collision of *Ritual Meets Art* brings theatre to the entire sensory experience, whilst incorporating the finest Queensland produce to infuse a modern, localised touch.

A selection of Sokyo's most sought-after dishes will make their debut in Brisbane, including Spicy Tuna on a bed of Crispy Rice and Hiramasa Kingfish garnished with Miso Ceviche and Crispy Potato. Accompanying the beloved dishes are a variety of enticing new flavours crafted from the finest Japanese ingredients, such as superfoods Maitake Mushroom and Ume Plum sourced locally within 20km of the resort.

Alongside Sokyo, The Star Brisbane will open a range of dining and entertainment destinations from 29 August, including Celebrity Chef Luke Nguyen's dynamic South-East Asian street food favourite **Fat Noodle**, a sprawling **Sports Bar**, live entertainment venue **LiveWire**, lively cocktail bar **Cherry** and one-stop café **Food Quarter** – all welcoming walk-ins.

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From sparkling soirées, intimate dinner parties and celebratory occasions, The Star Brisbane has also launched group bookings for Sokyo, Fat Noodle and Sports Bar, allowing guests to reserve private dining and booth experiences.

Sokyo's custom-designed circular semi-private dining room has the ability to host up to 16 people, offering guests an intimate yet unparalleled dining experience. While **Fat Noodle's semi-private dining room** can cater to 24 - 30 people, treating guests to an exclusively authentic South-East Asian culinary journey in the heart of the action.

For those who live and breathe their sport, The Star's showstopping **Sports Bar** will offer exclusive packages for 10 - 15 people across its three VIP booths, guaranteeing a superior viewing position (large enough to accommodate an entire NRL football team) and a next-level menu to ensure the most avid fans never miss a second of the action.

Guests can reserve their Sokyo Brisbane dining experience by visiting The Star Brisbane website, **with first bookings from 5.00pm Thursday 29 August 2024.**

Those seeking to secure celebration packages, group bookings and booth experiences can enquire via The Star Brisbane website, with waitlists now open for Melbourne Cup, Christmas and New Year's Eve ticketed events.

Progressive Openings, September – November 2024

The Terrace, Level 4

The Star Brisbane's dynamic dining hotspot, The Terrace, will become home to a myriad of global-inspired restaurants, welcoming a steady stream of venues from September to November 2024.

With The Star's authentic Italian family dining **Cucina Regina**, Ghanem Group's newest South-East Asian venture **Lúc Lắc**, Potentia Solution Leisure's take on Latin American **Azteca**, and Tassis Group unveiling two new restaurants, Mediterranean-inspired **Dark Shepherd** and French champagne bar and restaurant **Pompette**, The Terrace will showcase the best of the world in the heart of Brisbane.

The Gambaro Group will also serve up a new-look venue on The Terrace, continuing the group's successful six-year relationship with The Star and welcoming **Black Hide Steak & Seafood by Gambaro**.

Bookings for The Terrace venues at The Star Brisbane will launch soon.

Sky Deck, Level 23

The Star Brisbane's seemingly-suspended **Sky Deck** – a 250-metre-long rooftop playground which soars 100-metres above the Brisbane River – will welcome locals and visitors to dine under the stars with a trio of venues opening from September. Open-air bar **Cicada Blu**, all-day dining venue **Babblers** and elevated dining destination **Aloria** will offer unparalleled views of the Brisbane CBD, and complete the Sky Deck offering in time for end of year festivities.

Bookings for Sky Deck venues at The Star Brisbane will launch soon.

For more information, visit star.com.au/brisbane

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