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## **The Star Sydney shines with all the dazzling possibilities this festive season**

The Star Sydney will be abuzz with all the Christmas spirit this holiday season, hosting exclusive dining and entertainment festivities.

On the big day, gather, share and feast with family and friends at the iconic Harvest Buffet, or add that extra dash of sparkle by indulging in a lavish fine dining experience with a seasonal twist at award winning BLACK Bar & Grill, Sokyō or Flying Fish.

Embrace all the festive joy with a special end of year celebration at one of The Star Sydney's luxe restaurants and stylish bars or make a night of it and relax with a seasonal escape at one of three luxury hotel towers.

However, you may choose to celebrate, The Star Sydney is your playground, shining with an abundance of possibilities this festive season.

### **STAY & DINE**

Indulge your senses in a seasonal escape with your special someone and experience one of the exquisitely remodelled rooms and suites at Astral Tower & Residences or the unrivalled luxury of The Darling - the first and only Sydney hotel to be awarded a prestigious Forbes Five-Star rating.

Guests who book and stay between now and 31 January 2019 receive 20% off the room rate plus a \$150 dining voucher per day to experience the extensive In Room Dining menu or restaurants including Harvest Buffet, BLACK Bar & Grill, Sokyō or Flying Fish.

### **CHRISTMAS DAY**

#### **Harvest Buffet**

For an indulgent Christmas feast with all the trimmings look no further than the legendary Harvest Buffet. Boasting an extravagant selection of buffet classics, the menu will also feature festive favourites, fresh seafood and decadent desserts to make your big day extra delicious.

*Christmas Eve Dinner* – Special Christmas Buffet including a complimentary glass of Chandon Brut per adult: \$110 per adult, \$40 per child (12 years and under) and kids under 4 eat for free.

*Christmas Day Lunch & Dinner* - Special Christmas Buffet including one complimentary house beverage per adult: \$139 per adult, \$40 per child (12 years and under) and kids under 4 eat for free.

*Boxing Day Lunch & Dinner* – Premium Seafood buffet: \$86.95 per adult, \$29.90 per child (12 years and under) and kids under 4 eat for free.

## **BLACK Bar & Grill**

Add some sizzle to your celebration with Christmas Day at BLACK Bar & Grill for a specially curated four-course lunch prepared by Executive Chef Dany Karam and his talented team. Bask in the venue's renowned sweeping water views while savoring salmon roe, confit potato and chive flower followed by your choice of oysters, spencer gulf prawns or ox heart tomato salad for the entrée. Then choose either turkey with macadamia nut stuffing, a Wagyu MBS 7+ or Toothfish from the charcoal oven. Finish on a sweet note with a chocolate fondant with cherry and coconut sorbet. At \$185 per person, it's a dining experience unlike any other, on a day that demands the very best.

## **Sokyo**

For a unique Christmas Lunch relish in Sokyo's perfectly crafted menu that effortlessly fuses the flavours of Sydney with the tastes of Tokyo. The 9-course sharing menu, a celebration of the season, features only the finest ingredients and the freshest seafood. Indulge in Sokyo favourites with your nearest and dearest including Executive Chef Chase Kojima's famous Kingfish Miso Ceviche, Miso-glazed Toothfish and Goma Street dessert with caramelised white chocolate and sesame ice cream for \$160 per person.

## **Flying Fish**

Celebrating Flying Fish' new home at The Star Sydney, Christmas Day at Flying Fish will sparkle with stunning snacks and a lush 3-course set menu designed by Executive Chef, Peter Robertson. At \$220 per person, entrees will feature marinated scarlet prawn, charcoal grilled southern calamari and Moreton Bay bug orechiette before the stakes are raised with charcoal roast bass grouper, sugar snaps, roast onion, koji cream; John Dory, Kinkwooka mussel, mushroom condiment; and plum glazed pork belly, grilled scallop, fried cauliflower.

## **END OF YEAR CELEBRATIONS**

Toast the year that was while ringing in 2019 at The Star Sydney as it sparkles with all the party possibilities. Whether it's luxe award-winning dining, stylish cocktail bars or a private party in one of the property's immersive entertainment spaces, however you choose to celebrate The Star is the ultimate playground for maximum merrymaking.

## **CHERRY**

Farewell 2018 in dazzling style with the perfect New Year's soirée at Cherry Bar with a four-hour package of sparkling Chandon, speciality Tanqueray cocktails and gourmet canapés. Then countdown to 2019 with Cherry's favourite house DJ's, Brad Mullins, Friendless & Husky and live screenings of Sydney's spectacular NYE fireworks. \$116.55 per person.

## **SOKYO**

Pacific Oysters, Lobster Tempura, Seared Tuna and Sushi, coupled with the finest Wagyu and most sublime desserts, you will never want the year end. Sokyo's 10 course NYE feast features exquisitely prepared dishes designed to share that effortlessly fuse the flavours of Sydney with the tastes of Tokyo. \$225 per person.

## **BLACK Bar & Grill**

Indulge in BLACK's most inspired dishes from the grill and charcoal oven in an evening that promises to be simply unforgettable. Toast to the night ahead with a flute of NV Moët & Chandon 'Brut Imperial' on arrival before losing yourself to Steak Sashimi with shiso dressing, smoked croutons, horseradish ice-cream; Spanner Crab Remoulade with avocado puree and Wagyu MBS 5+ Spinach, grilled bone marrow, roasted banana shallot. End the evening on the sweetest of notes with passionfruit pavlova, coconut sago, mango sorbet and shiso.

### **5.30pm Seating**

\$170 per person (set menu only)

\$270 per person (with premium matching wine)

### **8.30pm Seating**

\$295 per person (set menu only)

\$395 per person (with premium matching wine)

## **FLYING FISH**

Soak up the stunning Pyrmont Harbour views and savour an impeccable menu inspired by the finest produce from Australian and New Zealand waters at Flying Fish. With a 5:30pm seating at \$190 per person (set menu only) and an 8:30pm seating \$320 per person (set menu only) indulge in snacks followed by an impeccably crafted four-course meal.

The menu designed by Executive Chef, Peter Robertson, features kingfish kissed with charcoal, kombu dressing, finger lime; Moreton Bay bug busiate, mandarin kosho; and charcoal roast bass grouper, sugar snaps, roast onion, koji cream. And for the finale, toast to 2019 in the sweetest fashion with Valrhona chocolate, malted barley and miso caramel.

## **HARVEST BUFFET**

For an indulgent New Year's Eve feast boasting a stunning selection of fresh seafood look no further than the legendary Harvest Buffet. Boasting an extravagant selection of buffet classics, festive favourites and decadent desserts, farewell 2018 in the most delicious fashion.

*New Year's Eve Dinner* – Special NYE Seafood Buffet including a complimentary house beverage per adult: \$110 per adult, \$40 per child (12 years and under) and kids under 4 eat for free.

## **BAL MASQUE**

Feature on Sydney's most exclusive guestlist this New Year's Eve and toast to 2019 in lavish style at Marquee's lush Bal Masqué. Dress to the nines adorned with a mask as DJ Sabio, K-Note and Zannon headline the city's ultimate New Year's VIP affair.

First release tickets are available now for \$295 including a three-hour premium food and beverage package, a Dom Pérignon midnight toast, expansive fireworks views and the hottest R&B and Urban sounds all night long.

## **MARQUEE WITH TIMMY TRUMPET**

Sydney's premier entertainment destination, Marquee nightclub, has the hottest live music ticket in town with award-winning, multi-platinum selling recording artist, Timmy Trumpet, set to take over the dance floor. First release tickets to Marquee's New Year's Eve party are available now from \$86.05 with the venue's iconic VIP table and bottle service on offer to take your night to an exclusive new level.

For full menus and learn more about what's on offer at The Star Sydney this New Year's Eve, please visit [www.thestarsydney.com.au](http://www.thestarsydney.com.au). For reservations, please call 1800 700 700.

## **ABOUT THE STAR SYDNEY**

The Star Sydney is Australia's premier place to play. A sip of sparkling. A dozen freshly shucked oysters. Crisp white sheets and red carpet. Diamonds and spades. Gucci and gastronomy. Your day begins with luxury – where it ends is up to you. At The Star, we have just one mission – to thrill. That's why we have all-star chefs and restaurants, luxurious accommodation and high-end fashion, a sumptuous day spa, an amazing nightclub, and, of course, the world-class casino. It's all yours for the taking, so will you? Come and play at The Star [www.thestarsydney.com.au](http://www.thestarsydney.com.au)

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