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## A NEW STAR ON THE HORIZON: THE STAR BRISBANE PREPARES FOR A STELLAR DEBUT

Brisbane's brightest new star will launch in just seven days when the curtain rises on The Star Brisbane Thursday 29 August – the first major unveiling as part of the multi-phased \$3.6B Queen's Wharf Brisbane precinct.

Thousands of Brisbane locals are expected to visit the resort on its opening day to be the first to sample its worldclass attractions, including the dazzling **Sky Deck** observation deck soaring 100 metres above the city, the resort's open-air **Leisure Deck** equivalent to two football fields, and the first of The Star Brisbane's new food and beverage experiences including signature Japanese restaurant **Sokyo**, a reimagined **Fat Noodle** by celebrity chef **Luke Nguyen**, the city's new home of entertainment **LiveWire** and a sprawling **Sports Bar**.

Thursday will also see the first guests checking into The Star's 5-star hotel **The Star Grand**, featuring 340 luxury rooms and a spectacular William Street porte-cochere arrival experience which stretches the equivalent size to 13 full-sized tennis courts.

The Star Brisbane Chief Executive Officer **Daniel Finch** said all Queenslanders were invited to be part of the historymaking opening.

"Thursday's commencement of our multi-staged opening is a monumental moment for Queensland, and we look forward to sharing the celebration with locals who have had a front seat to the city's transformation," Mr Finch said.

"Our phenomenal team are preparing to welcome thousands of locals and visitors eager to be amongst the first to enjoy our world-class culinary experiences, including The Star's stand-out Japanese restaurant Sokyo and the new iteration of Luke Nguyen's iconic Brisbane favourite Fat Noodle.

"We are also expecting thousands of sunset-chasers up on Sky Deck, The Star Brisbane's 24/7 rooftop playground offering breathtaking views of Brisbane and surrounds."

With an array of additional restaurants, bars, public spaces and event destinations scheduled to progressively launch throughout late 2024 and beyond, Mr Finch said visitors could look forward to new surprises with every visit.

"Brisbane is in for a treat with a variety of day and night venues to open between now and November, catering to all tastes and appetites," Mr Finch said.

"From dining and dancing under the stars at the much-anticipated Sky Deck venues to fresh new offerings from the who's who of Brisbane's culinary scene, we've got a jam-packed calendar of celebrations to look forward to over the coming months."

Confirmed openings from September to November include The Star's dynamic dining destination **The Terrace**, comprising 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**, a new iteration of Gambaro Group's **Black Hide Steak & Seafood**, plus Mediterranean-inspired **Dark Shepherd** and French champagne bar and restaurant **Pompette** from local restaurant titan Tassis Group.

The Star Brisbane's Sky Deck will also welcome a trio of venues from September, including open-air bar Cicada Blu, all-day dining venue **Babblers** and elevated dining destination **Aloria**.

Once fully operational, The Star Brisbane and Queen's Wharf Brisbane are expected to attract approximately 1.4 million additional visitors to Queensland each year.

Queen's Wharf Brisbane is being delivered by Destination Brisbane Consortium – a joint venture led by The Star Entertainment Group alongside its Hong Kong-based partners, Chow Tai Fook Enterprises and Far East Consortium.

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#### The Star Brisbane

Positioned at the heart of the Queen's Wharf Brisbane precinct, The Star Brisbane will deliver four future worldclass hotels, a myriad of new restaurants, bars and entertainment experiences, luxury retail, and a thrilling new era in events to Brisbane's CBD. Not to mention The Star Brisbane's striking showpiece Sky Deck, a 250m rooftop runway of restaurants and bars floating 100m above the Brisbane River and the resort's Leisure Deck, a 12,000sqm open-air oasis which delivers two football fields of public space. From a selection of Brisbane's grandest hotels to delectable dining, spectacular sky-high views and unique experiences for locals and tourists alike, The Star Brisbane promises to celebrate the best of our river city.

### Queen's Wharf Brisbane

Set to commence a staged opening from August 2024, the \$3.6 billion Queen's Wharf Brisbane development blends stunning contemporary architecture with thoughtfully restored heritage buildings and beautifully curated landscaped riverside parklands across more than 12 hectares on Brisbane's river edge. It is expected to attract an estimated 1.4 million additional visitors each year once open and will provide a pedestrian link between two of Brisbane's largest cultural and lifestyle precincts, linking South Bank to The Star Brisbane and Queen's Wharf via the Neville Bonner Bridge.

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