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SKY'S THE LIMIT: THE STAR BRISBANE UNVEILS SKY DECK VENUES, BABBLERS & CICADA BLU

The Star Brisbane has expanded its Sky Deck offering with the opening of two rooftop venues, **Babblers** and **Cicada Blu**.

Soaring 100 metres above the Brisbane River atop the iconic Sky Deck, the first two of three captivating day-to-night destinations are set to showcase Queensland's inimitable outdoor lifestyle while having the added allure of experiencing Brisbane from a brand-new perspective.

Located on the Eastern side of Sky Deck and open from 7am to late daily, bustling **all-day dining experience Babblers** provides locals and visitors with an array of breakfast, lunch and dinner options – perfect for those in search of a more relaxed, social experience.

Affectionately named after the gregarious Babbler bird family, Babblers brings a sense of familiarity through its warmth and charm and has been designed for flowing conversation between friends and family.

With thoughtful, handcrafted dishes such as the signature house-baked flatbreads, K'gari spanner crab omelette with fermented chilli mornay, green apple and tarragon for breakfast or the heirloom tomato salad with pickled cucumber, sourdough croutons, salsa verde & basil from 11am, guests can expect Babblers to celebrate flavoursome local produce whilst paying homage to an array of familiar classics.

Taking centre stage on Sky Deck, **open-air bar Cicada Blu** boasts some of Brisbane's best views and entertainment that's a beat above, with a bespoke bar menu suited to pre-dinner aperitifs or post-dinner rendezvous.

Open from 3pm till late Wednesday to Thursday and noon till late Friday to Sunday, Cicada Blu is the perfect setting to transition from day to night and features exotic elixirs, botanical infusions and bar-snacks. Inspired by the ever-changing cloud formations and electrifying summer storms, Cicada Blu's enigmatic lighting installation transforms the bar as the sun sets – pulsing to the rhythm of the city.

The Star Brisbane General Manager Food & Beverage, Dustin Osuch said the newly opened Sky Deck venues offer locals and visitors the opportunity to relax and enjoy the sights from Brisbane's newest rooftop playground.

"Sky Deck brings a new era of dining and entertainment to our city, and we are excited to now welcome guests to experience these incredible rooftop venues," said Mr Osuch.

"Our vision for Sky Deck was to create a space that locals and travellers can visit at any point of the day and be captivated, from the views to the unique food and beverage offerings.

"With Babblers and Cicada Blu now open, and our signature restaurant Aloria set to follow next month, Sky Deck is quickly becoming an unforgettable Brisbane landmark that showcases the spirit of our city."

Open to the public 24/7 throughout the year, Sky Deck's 250-metre seemingly-suspended rooftop runway has been designed to allow visitors of The Star Brisbane to choose their own adventure.

From a breezy brunch or long relaxed lunch swapping stories with friends, to sunset soirees, intimate dinner dates or celebrations that continue late into the evening. The Star Brisbane's signature restaurant, Aloria, will complete the Sky Deck offering in October, with the trio of venues set to become the perfect destination for all dining and entertainment needs.

For more information on Sky Deck and The Star Brisbane, visit the star.com.au/brisbane

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Sky Deck, The Star Brisbane

Open to the public, Sky Deck's 250-metre seemingly suspended rooftop runway showcases the best of Brisbane and Queensland's inimitable outdoor lifestyle and is home to three highly distinct venues, **Aloria**, **Babblers** and **Cicada Blu**. Taking centre stage on Sky Deck, **Cicada Blu (now open)** is the captivating day-to-night destination that moves to the rhythm of the city, whilst on the eastern end, **Babblers (now open)** brings together thoughtful handcrafted food with brave flavours to deliver a bustling all-day dining experience.

The Star Brisbane's much-anticipated signature restaurant **Aloria (coming soon)** is the hero of the Sky Deck trio; an elegant dining venue where dry-aged beef and Queensland's world-class seafood are the stars of the show. Aloria's beverage offering will set a new standard for Brisbane as the official 'cellar in the sky' when it opens in October, showcasing the city's best and brightest cellar of wine. The rooftop restaurant will also have a dedicated Martini menu that celebrates the cocktail in its simplest and truest form to the Marguerite, Martine, Martigny, Martina, Martineau and the Bradford à la Martini.

The Star Brisbane

The Star Brisbane is Queensland's newest entertainment hub, positioned at the heart of the 12-hectare Queen's Wharf Brisbane precinct. Commencing its multi-phased opening from 29 August 2024, The Star Brisbane features an array of world-class restaurants and bars, a new five-star luxury hotel The Star Grand, a breathtaking Sky Deck observation deck soaring 100 metres above the city, an expansive open-air Leisure Deck and a state-of-the-art Event Centre. With a steady stream of new restaurant and bar openings confirmed between now and November 2024, The Star Brisbane celebrates the best of the river city to elevate Brisbane to the global stage.

Queen's Wharf Brisbane

The \$3.6 billion Queen's Wharf Brisbane is one of the most significant tourism projects in Australia's recent history. It blends extraordinary contemporary architecture with thoughtfully restored heritage buildings and beautifully landscaped riverside parklands across more than 12 hectares on Brisbane's river edge. Commencing its multi-phased opening from 29 August 2024, Queen's Wharf connects two of Brisbane's largest cultural and lifestyle precincts via the Neville Bonner Bridge. When complete, Queen's Wharf Brisbane will deliver an estimated 1,000 premium hotel rooms across four luxury hotels, more than 50 new food and beverage experiences, world-class entertainment, luxury retail, stunning public artworks, the restoration of nine heritage buildings, 1,500 residential apartments and 12 football fields of public space in the heart of Brisbane's CBD.