



THE STAR

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THE STAR'S PORTFOLIO OF RESTAURANTS CONTINUE TO SHINE

The Star Entertainment Group's portfolio of signature restaurants continued to shine at the 2019 Restaurant & Catering Association (R&CA) National Awards for Excellence.

Held earlier this week, The Star's signature establishments in Sydney, Gold Coast and Brisbane were nominated for six categories in total, receiving two golds, two silvers and one bronze. The two gold award recipients were:

- **BLACK Bar and Grill (The Star Sydney)** - Best Steak Restaurant
- **Garden Kitchen & Bar (The Star Gold Coast)** - Best restaurant in a hotel/motel/resort/casino

Michael Hodgson, General Manager Tourism, Food Strategy & Partnerships said that the awards reflected The Star's commitment to deliver the best dining and entertainment experiences to the 21 million domestic and international visitors the properties welcome each year.

"We are proud to contribute to Australia's appeal as a global tourist destination through our portfolio of world-class restaurants, bars and entertainment venues," Mr Hodgson said

"With a focus on the best local produce and six-star service, our teams work tirelessly to ensure guests are treated to unique, thrilling experiences.

"We have plans to more than double the number of award-winning restaurants and bars to 130 as key projects including the transformational \$3.6 billion Queen's Wharf Brisbane development and The Star Gold Coast's Dorsett hotel tower.

"The approval of an application for The Ritz-Carlton hotel and apartments tower would ensure further expansion of The Star's restaurant offerings to a level that would create a dining precinct unparalleled in Sydney.

"Together, these new offerings will create thousands of additional jobs and deliver millions of tourists to Sydney, Brisbane and the Gold Coast."

Included among The Star's portfolio of signature restaurants to be recognised across four other categories were:

- **Sokyo, The Star Sydney (SILVER)** - Breakfast Restaurant
- **Kiyomi, The Star Gold Coast (SILVER)** - Japanese restaurant
- **Black Hide by Gambaro at Treasury Brisbane, Treasury Brisbane (BRONZE)** – Steak restaurant
- **Imperial at The Star, The Star Gold Coast** – Chinese restaurant

In August, R&CA NSW recognised the Group's apprentice training program, The Star Culinary Institute with an 'Honourable Mention' for the George Mure Professional Development, while second-year apprentice at The Star Sydney, Cristopher Matkowski was recognised as the state's Apprentice Chef of the Year.

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About the awards

The Savour Australia Hostplus Awards for Excellence is a nationally recognised, independently judged awards program that recognises exceptional service and culinary talent across Australia.

About The Star Entertainment Group

The Star Entertainment Group is an ASX 100 listed company that owns and operates The Star Sydney, The Star Gold Coast and Treasury Brisbane. The Star's portfolio, which also includes the Sheraton Grand Mirage on the Gold Coast, boasts seven hotels, around 60 restaurants and bars, and employs around 9,000 team members. The Star's vision, to become Australia's leading integrated resort company, is supported by a multi-billion-dollar commitment (in conjunction with our Hong Kong-based partners) to delivering world-class tourism and entertainment destinations to the cities in which we operate. These projects will expand The Star's assets to 12 hotels (including new brands such as The Ritz-Carlton, Rosewood and Dorsett), approximately 130 restaurants and bars, and thousands of additional employees.

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