

Eat

By Alissa Jenkins

EXCLUSIVE EATS THIS WINTER



Australian Festival of Chamber Music, Magnetic Island



Chefs in the North Dinner 25 July

Maggie Beer joins the Australian Festival of Chamber Music for this prestigious dinner on Magnetic Island. Featuring an outdoor feast prepared by leading chefs and performances by world-renowned classical musicians, it's the prelude to a week-long foodie festival in Townsville.

\$295 per person, afcm.com.au



Al fresco dining at Sal Sails

Food & Fishing Safari 15-19 July

Pete Evans of *My Kitchen Rules* fame is hosting a five-day food and fishing safari at WA's remote luxury camp, Sal Sails. Guests can expect hands-on cooking classes, snorkelling, kayaking, fishing expeditions to iconic Ningaloo Reef and a three-course dinner party.

From \$4,699 per person twin share, salsails.com.au



Fine dining at Qualia

Great Barrier Feast 12-14 July

Five-star Whitsundays retreat, Qualia, is set to host a weekend of classes and dishes by some of Australia's top chefs: Peter Gilmore of Sydney's Quay restaurant, Dan Hunter of Royal Mail Hotel in Dunseld, and Qualia's executive chef Alastair Waddell. The pinnacle is the 'Showpiece Dinner', including a six-course degustation with wines selected and introduced by expert, James Halliday. From \$2140 (for guests staying at Beach Club - other options available), qualia.com.au

OBJECT OF DESIRE



FLAVOURS OF URBAN MELBOURNE

by Jonette George

The best of Melbourne's cafés, restaurants and bars have been thoughtfully compiled into this coffee-table

guide book, along with

recipes and pictures that are bound to be covered in crumbs. (\$70, Smudge Publishing)

Paris in Palm Beach

Authentic French food by the sea?

Don't mind if we do! Sydney haven

Palm Beach is now home to Bistro

Rivage headed by Tom Rutherford, who

spent six years at three-Michelin-star

Le Gavroche restaurant in London. It

also promises 'Parisian-style' drinks

and live music. See you there.

bistrorivage.com.au



BRAIN FOOD

Spanish tapas meet old-school study at Melbourne's newest eatery, The Wise. Sit in wingback chairs, surrounded by vintage typewriters and posters of academic greats while you discuss the world's problems, or just enjoy the paella. thewise.com.au