



Hobart



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Clockwise from top: Kuuma Nature Sauna, Hobart; The Tasman hotel; a video still from the immersive Bluey's World; Point Peron on Perth's Rockingham Foreshore; see Kings Park with an Indigenous guide.



Perth

> HOBART

The capital of Tasmania is as wild as it is wonderful, as reflected through its forward-thinking restaurants, hotels and experiences.

SWEET DREAMS: The Tasman may be relatively new to Hobart, having opened in late 2021, but it tells a story that is centuries old through its building, interior design and thoughtful plaques throughout remembering European and Indigenous heritage. marriott.com

A LITTLE PAMPERING: Drift away in steamy bliss on Kuuma, Australia's first mobile floating sauna boat, a 20-minute drive from Hobart. Work up a sweat, then dive into the invigorating ocean. kuuma.com.au

HOTTEST SEAT: Tasmania's lush produce has inspired many restaurants to lean local. Newcomer Maria, on Hobart's waterfront under Aloft and by the same acclaimed team, uses regional ingredients to work Med-inflected magic for its set menu. restaurantmaria.com.au

HEAVEN SENT: With little light pollution, the skies around Hobart are a bedazzlement of stars. Gaze north and delve into the constellations on a night tour with Walk on Kunanyi during the colder months. Spotting the Southern Lights is a bonus. walkonkunanyi.com.au

> BRISBANE

The capital of Queensland has never shied away from bold developments and this year is no exception, with a plethora of new opportunities to wine, dine and be merry.

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH: Brisbane's highly anticipated Queen's Wharf precinct has been worth the wait. The former industrial site opposite Southbank is now home to multiple hotels, trendsetting restaurants, boutiques galore and a dramatic arch-shaped Skydeck offering views over the Brisbane River 100m below. queenswharfbrisbane.com.au

SWEET DREAMS: Part of Queen's Wharf, the Star Grand doesn't disappoint when it comes to dazzling views and equally luxe facilities – think multiple pools, a spa, sauna and easy access to all those restaurants. thestar.com.au

HOTTEST SEAT IN TOWN: Built in 1888, the gorgeous Naldham House building is now home to a European brasserie by the same name, as well as a slick terrace bar. Come here for beef tartare and chicken-liver parfait in sultry surrounds. naldhamhouse.com.au

FOR THE FAMILY: Immersive Bluey's World is set to welcome families from November 7 – this is your chance to visit the Heeler family's Queensland home, backyard and beyond “for real life”. bluey.tv/blueys-world

NIGHTCAP: Cocktails in a speakeasy that's part pawn shop, part bar and part perfumery? No wonder newcomer Pawn&Co has already been rated one of the world's most exciting new places for a drink. pawncandco.com.au



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> PERTH

The West Australian capital is strong when it comes to protecting Noongar Indigenous culture. And it shines from its dining rooms to its bustling public precincts.

SWEET DREAMS: The Murdoch precinct is one of the fastest-growing urban areas in WA's capital. And it's here you'll find the new Courtyard Perth, its art-filled rooms the gateway to Fremantle and beyond. marriott.com

TABLE TO BOOK: Luxe Gibney comes with ocean views all the way from South Cottesloe to Rottneet. The menu is inspired by old-world European brasseries. gibneycottesloe.com

BEACHY VIBE: A bit of Bali, a bit of Perth – welcome to new Hillarys Beach Club. This coastal haven is open from breakfast to dinner, and there are a number of spaces to drink and dine. hillarysbeachclub.com.au

NEWEST PRECINCT: Joining Northbridge to the city, the Yagan Square redevelopment brings with it Indigenous art, an amphitheatre and a host of new restaurants and bars.

WALK THIS WAY: Explore Kings Park – the largest inner-city park in the world and once a sacred birthing ground – or the Rockingham Foreshore, with an Indigenous guide via In Culture Tours. inculturetours.com.au