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Queensland's leading hospitality players launch landmark partnership

A new power partnership has formed in Queensland with two of the state's leading food and hospitality players teaming up to deliver a stunning steak restaurant in the heart of the CBD.

Today a landmark partnership was launched between The Gambaro Group, one of Queensland's most pioneering and award-winning family-owned hospitality businesses, and Treasury Brisbane, owned and operated by The Star Entertainment Group.

Together they are masterminding the creation of *Black Hide by Gambaro at Treasury Brisbane*, a supremely indulgent dining experience unprecedented at the city's only 24/7 entertainment destination.

Destined to be The Gambaro Group's only restaurant of its kind in the CBD, guests will experience succulent steaks as the hero cuisine and a selection of mouth-watering seafood dishes.

The new venue will emerge in the space previously occupied by The Kitty cocktail bar, which closed last month for a full refurbishment and will open as the new restaurant by mid-2018.

The Gambaro Group Director John Gambaro said he was delighted to work with Treasury Brisbane in expanding a highly acclaimed award-winning multi-generational empire.

"Our business was built on family and community and while good old-fashioned hospitality never goes out of style, we wanted the right partner to help us continue impressing our existing customers and attract new ones, while creating an unrivalled and unique dining experience in the CBD," Mr Gambaro said.

"The Treasury building is one of the city's grandest heritage buildings enabling us to blend intricate and cutting-edge design with worldly charm and sophistication.

"It's also in a prime location with views overlooking the Brisbane River and situated within an easy stroll to South Bank. It's a perfect choice for us."

Treasury Brisbane Chief Operating Officer Kelvin Dodt said the company was excited to raise the bar and partner with one of Queensland's most respected restaurateurs.

"While our world-class Queen's Wharf Brisbane integrated resort is being built, it is important that we continue to explore and maximise opportunities within our existing Brisbane establishment as it stands today," Mr Dodt said.

"We wanted to leverage the Gambaro family's strong reputation in steak cuisine by keeping the Black Hide name – it is one that is well known and has demonstrated multi award-winning success including numerous Chef Hats, two-time winner of Australia's Best Steak Restaurant, and four-time winner of Queensland's Best Steak Restaurant.

“Together, our new restaurant will feature delicious new twists to the menu including some higher-marbled steak cut offerings and new seafood dishes that are sure to mesmerise.

“The Gambaro Group comes with decades of experience, exceptional guest service standards, passion for the culinary arts, and they use local Queensland produce.

“We are thrilled to have them on board as these qualities have cemented their reputation as a beloved and celebrated Queensland icon recognised locally and nation-wide.

“We can’t wait to see how they’ll bring this space to life by creating delicious and masterful twists to local Queensland produce and serving it up within a luxuriously revamped heritage setting.”

The new restaurant will seat more than 120 diners, provide a range of intimate spaces for smaller functions, plus offer a flexible and superbly crafted space for larger events and celebrations of up to 40 people.

The existing bar will be repurposed into a state-of-the-art and contemporary industrial kitchen, which will feature a small bar in front to show guests tantalising vision inside the kitchen.

The new restaurant’s intriguing mix of intimate indoor spaces and outdoor balcony terraces will be offset with luxe drapery; beautiful marbled stone table tops; textured surfaces; a blend of timber, concrete, porcelain, and carpet flooring; obscured and antique mirrors; moody LED lighting; rich and earthy colours; lush greenery; and stunningly modern theatrical features.

The internal corridor leading from the main Queen Street entry will showcase captivating story-telling artwork, paying respect to the Gambaro family’s incredible journey into food and hospitality.

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