



SOFITEL BRISBANE

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NEW YORK STAR CHEF JOINS SOFITEL BRISBANE

Leading New York Chef Marshall Orton has joined Sofitel Brisbane as Star Chef.

Australian born Chef Orton was previously Executive Chef of the Sofitel New York, on Fifth Avenue in mid Manhattan, where he transformed the hotel's food and beverage operations and redesigned the menus for its signature restaurant 'Gaby'.

Before joining Sofitel New York where he worked for four years, he was Executive Chef at the four star Deluxe Novotel Atlantis Shanghai in China, then the Accor group's flagship property in Asia, where he oversaw a staff of 320 and ten food and beverage outlets.

Widely known throughout the Asian culinary scene, Chef Orton has won a number of top awards in the prestigious international Salon Culinaire contest.

His extensive international experience includes terms as Executive Chef at the five star Grand Mirage Hotel and Thalasso Spa Resort in Bali, Indonesia and the Marco Polo Hotel in Singapore. He has also worked at the London Hilton Park Lane and the Vienna Hilton in Austria.

Chef Orton will bring a new gastronomic vision to Sofitel Brisbane. The role of Star Chef is to ensure that the cuisine, presentation and service of the recently rebranded hotel upholds the worldwide standards of the five star Sofitel brand.

As part of the new vision, he will be designing menus infused with his unique blend of Asian and continental flavours that will highlight the finest elements of fresh Australian produce.

Chef Orton said he was delighted to be joining Brisbane's restaurant community which he described as dynamic and innovative.

"Brisbane is now setting the pace for the rest of the country and I'm excited at this opportunity to make a contribution".

“Sofitel Brisbane is changing the city’s perception of five star hotels with its emphasis on European style and service. I aim to contribute to this momentum by creating dishes which both surprise and excite our diners”, he said.

As part of his commitment to the local culinary scene, Chef Orton will hold cooking classes for both novices and accomplished home chefs which will include excursions to local markets.

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