



## **CROWN WELCOMES CULINARY ICON NOBU MATSUHISA FOR EXCLUSIVE NATIONAL VISIT**

*World-renowned chef to host rare dining experiences and masterclasses across Sydney, Melbourne and Perth*

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**26 February 2026:** Crown Resorts is bringing one of the world's most celebrated chefs back to the country this March, with Nobu Matsuhisa visiting his three Australian restaurants - giving guests rare access to the man behind the globally acclaimed Nobu empire.

Across Sydney, Melbourne and Perth, Chef Nobu will host exclusive ticketed dining experiences and masterclasses, while working closely with his teams to review menus and collaborate on techniques that showcase his signature fusion style alongside Australia's exceptional produce.

At Crown Sydney, he will join guests for exclusive Gochiso feasts on 3-4 March, featuring iconic dishes such as Yellowtail Jalapeño, Black Cod Butter Lettuce and his beloved Nobu Tacos, as well as indulgent Australian favourites Lobster Tempura Amazu Ponzu and MBS7+ Wagyu Beef.

Chef Nobu's visit to Melbourne coincides with the Formula 1 Grand Prix. Crown Melbourne will become the epicentre of luxury dining, whisky innovation and high-performance motorsport through a five-day Glenfiddich & Aston Martin F1® Team Skyline Bar - with menus curated by Chef Nobu himself.

Chef Nobu will work with newly appointed Melbourne Executive Chef, Célestin Gaty, whose international pedigree from France to Nobu restaurants in Santorini and Istanbul, is guiding the restaurant's evolution back to Nobu's traditional dishes at dinner, with a reimagined lunch offering more flexibility and choice.

On Tuesday 10 March he will visit Perth and host 'A Night with Nobu' at Crystal Club, Crown Towers. The event features signature cocktails and premium Champagne, complemented by an Oyster Bar, Sashimi Station, Caviar Bar, and Nobu's unparalleled and iconic tacos. A second event at Nobu Perth sold out within hours, a testament to his enduring popularity.

Crown Resorts CEO David Tsai said: "We are delighted to welcome Chef Nobu Matsuhisa back to Australia. Since opening the first Nobu restaurants across our resorts, Crown has worked hand in hand with Chef Nobu to deliver over five million dining experiences to our guests. His expertise, creativity and dedication embody the spirit of innovation and excellence that defines our world-class dining offering."

Chef Nobu Matsuhisa said: "Australia is very special to me and I always enjoy returning to visit my teams and local suppliers. The Australian dining scene is vibrant and inspiring, with incredible produce and passionate people, and I look forward to creating special experiences for our guests during this visit."

The visit marks another chapter in the continued global success of the Nobu brand, which began in 1987 with the opening of the namesake restaurant, Matsuhisa, in Beverly Hills. Since then, Nobu has expanded worldwide, earning international recognition as one of the most influential and prestigious dining brands.

Nobu opened at Crown Melbourne in 2007, Crown Perth in 2011 and at Crown Sydney in December 2020.