

## Media Release

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### **Flynn's Italian launches its new sustainable summer menu under recently appointed Chef de Cuisine, Troy Fuller**

Flynn's Italian continues its sustainable, locally sourced and ever-evolving culinary journey with the launch of its new summer menu.

The exciting new menu has been developed by Chef de Cuisine, Troy Fuller (pictured) and pays homage to the best of the region's seasonal produce with a thoughtful nod to the Italian migrants who brought a taste of Italy to the Far North.

Fuller's menu highlights a sophisticated but playful take on classic Italian dishes.

"Our upmarket Italian menu is designed to surprise and delight. While the restaurant concept is playful, the menu is very much about that premium, sophisticated experience," Fuller explains.

"Our seasonally changing menu features hero ingredients from the local area, with house-made pasta and fresh produce speaking to the sophisticated take on classic Italian-fare such as our prawn linguine, which is made fresh daily and highlights local seafood," he says.

Other standout dishes include the Primi Paatti chicken cannelloni with seasonal greens, pickled chestnut mushrooms and seared enoki mushrooms; followed by the Pan Roasted Queensland Barramundi with aerated pumpkin sauce, charred broccolini, macadamia and pepita and puffed fregola granola.

For the sweet tooth, it's hard to pass on the Lemon, Polenta and Olive Oil cake, served with lemon curd, raspberry textures and vanilla bean ice cream.

For the uninitiated or indecisive diner, Fuller recommends the new two-, three- or four-course set menu, which can be paired with the perfect drop.

"The tasting menu is designed to give guests the perfect Flynn's Italian experience from antipasti to dolce, with the dishes perfectly complementing each other and the paired wines," Fuller says.

Fuller's accomplished career spans England, France, Greece and most recently Australia over the better part of 16 years. Fuller has worked in Michelin-starred restaurants across England and acclaimed hatted restaurants here in Australia, including *Dinner by Heston Blumenthal* in Melbourne and *Gerrards Bistro* in Brisbane.

Flynn's Italian is open Tuesday – Saturday from 5:30pm. The new menu can be viewed [here](#), with an extensive wine cellar also available.

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- Crystalbrook Byron
- Crystalbrook Flynn
- Crystalbrook Kingsley
- Crystalbrook Riley
- Crystalbrook Vincent

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- Crystalbrook Byron, Byron Bay, New South Wales
- Crystalbrook Bailey, Cairns, Queensland
- Crystalbrook Flynn, Cairns, Queensland
- Crystalbrook Kingsley, Newcastle, New South Wales
- Crystalbrook Vincent, Brisbane, Queensland

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