

Taste of the Beaches 2021

Seeking Expressions of Interest – Taste of Manly Beach Restaurant

In 2021 we're taking the ever-popular Taste of Manly event and transforming it into a month-long celebration of the best on the beaches. From Manly to Palm Beach to Terry Hills and everywhere in between, the Northern Beaches will be the place to eat, drink and play in May. The month-long Taste of the Beaches will offer local businesses a festival-like opportunity to provide the community and visitors with unique dining and entertainment experiences, and new ways to bring people together in our beautiful public spaces.

We'll kick off the month with the Taste of Manly Beach Restaurant on Manly Beach. The pop up restaurant will highlight what makes wining and dining in Manly so great. It's all about fresh, delicious food in a location second to none!

The Catering Partner

We're looking for a restaurant, chef or caterer (or a combination of all three) to partner with us to create the pop up restaurant at Manly Beach. We're looking for a partner who can deliver this concept and make it even better – with proven experience in serving large restaurant numbers of people delicious, healthy food. Ideally we're looking for a local Northern Beaches company to take this on and perhaps feature a local chef to attract media and audience attention.

The Location

The restaurant will occupy a designated area on Manly Beach, serving delicious food to the seated area in the sand on Manly beach just south of the main beachfront flags. The kitchen will be located on the beachfront promenade and will provide for:

1. Dine-In Service

This will service a special semi-private, reserved seating area on the beach itself. Attendees will have the opportunity to pre-book a timed table or area on the beach enjoying a meal in a managed site on the iconic, Manly beach.

2. Take-Away Service (optional)

This could service the general public on the promenade with fast service of fresh and local food.



**not to scale, subject to change.*

Timing

The restaurant will be the kick off for the month-long Taste of the Beaches program and will be open to diners Saturday 1st and Sunday 2nd of May 2021. We will also consider proposals for the restaurant to run on additional days in May.

Considerations

Some things to consider before you plan an expression of interest for the Taste of Manly Beach Restaurant:

- Unique experience: how will you provide attendees a unique dining experience to compliment the special opportunity to dine on the iconic Manly Beach
- Beach Restaurant dine-in area: how to make this idea come to life considering turnover of tables, timed seatings, service, etc.
- Systems: what operational and service systems you'd use to make the idea functional i.e. booking systems, table service systems, payment systems
- Menu ideas: menu ideas that are fresh and delicious and compliment the location
- Price: an idea of price points for food
- Liquor licensing: will you be able to secure the licensing for the area on your own or would you need a partner for licensing
- COVID-19 safety: The Manly Beach Restaurant must follow current NSW health guidelines. Consider the wellbeing of staff and customers, seating arrangements, physical distancing, electronic payment, cleansing, hand hygiene, record keeping, etc. Successful provider will need to complete a COVID-19 Safety Plan.
- Service numbers: the seated area will accommodate approximately 200 people at a time under current NSW health orders. Consider the number and length of timed seatings and if you would provide take away service as a supplement to the dine-in service.
- Set up: how to make the outdoor kitchen look part of the event with food service "on show" if possible
- Guest Chef: do you have a local chef who can curate the menu or work at the event to attract media attention
- Potential partners you may have that you can work with to deliver the concept or a willingness to work with other partners to make it happen

Next Steps

At this point we are open for expressions of interest from providers who have the necessary experience and awareness of the considerations above to deliver a great Taste of Manly Beach Restaurant. Council will provide support with permits, fee waivers, etc. We will work with the successful partner on the finer details.

Please contact us with your expression of interest and response on how you would envisage partnering with us to deliver this concept (taking above considerations into account).

Please send your expression of interest to events@northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au by **10am, Monday 15th March.**

Contact Us

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