



AWARD-WINNING CHEF MISCHA TROPP ANNOUNCES THE LAUNCH OF HIS BIGGEST VENUE TO DATE, KOLKATA CRICKET CLUB

Monday, 18 November 2024: Award-winning Melbourne chef [Mischa Tropp](#) known for his venue residencies, collaborative pop-ups and the much talked about *Toddy Shop by Marthanden Hotel*, has today announced that he will be undertaking his biggest project to date. Set to open on 7 December Tropp will launch a brand new Restaurant and Sports bar '[Kolkata Cricket Club](#)' in partnership with [Crown Melbourne](#).

Located within the Crown precinct, **Kolkata Cricket Club's menu** will have strong pan-Indian and Bengali influences. The venue's inspiration comes from the old school Bengali cricket clubs and members bars in India which have been reclaimed since Independence by, and for, the Indian community.

Designed by interior designer Min-Chun Tseng (known for *Toddy Shop by Marthanden Hotel*, *Silkspoon*, *Cinque Terra*), the venue will see a combination of nostalgic charm and modern hospitality providing two distinct dining areas to choose from; **The Sports Bar** and the **KCC Dining Room** and will seat up to 150 guests.

The **Sports Bar** is inspired by the aesthetic of a bygone-era, when India was on the brink of independence and members-only sports clubs were a sophisticated social hub. Guests will be able to enjoy a beer and a casual bite such as chips and curry or a thali plate while watching Cricket on the big screens. The entertainment also extends into the theatrics from the kitchen's Woodfire hearth designed by [Samuel Fraraccio](#) and Tandoor ovens, roasting a selection of tandoori meats, seafood and hot naans.

The **KCC Dining Room**, will provide a more elegant dining experience with a range of Mischa's take on Indian classics, including his famous butter chicken. There will also be a 'Feed Me' set menu which includes dishes from the Tandoor, the fire pit, and sides.

Winner of Australian Gourmet Traveller's Best New Talent of 2024, Tropp said, "This year has been a fantastic year for Indian cuisine and cooking, and I'm thrilled to be sharing my take on these flavours to a larger audience into 2025."

He continues "Some might think you need to be an expert at Indian cuisine to really enjoy it but with Kolkata Cricket Club, I've created a variety of dishes and flavours that will cater to every tastebud"

Crown Melbourne CEO, Mike Volkert, said, "We are thrilled to be further expanding our broad culinary offering with the addition of Mischa Tropp and Kolkata Cricket Club. We can't wait to bring this unique Indian restaurant and sports bar experience to Melbourne."

Kolkata Cricket Club opens on 7 December and will be open from 5 pm until late, Wednesday to Sunday. Bookings can be made via the link here, walk-ins also welcome.

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