

## THE SECRET DAUGHTER IS BROUGHT TO LIFE

**The entire cast is unveiled as filming gets underway.**

(18 April 2016) Channel Seven today announced the full cast for its major new drama **THE SECRET DAUGHTER** starring **Jessica Mauboy**, which begins filming this week in Sydney and country NSW.

The ARIA and AACTA award-winning singer and actress leads the cast as Billie Carter, a part-time country pub singer whose life changes forever after a chance meeting with wealthy city hotelier Jack Norton, played by acting great **Colin Friels**.

Recently announced cast member **Bonnie Sveen** (*Home and Away*) will play Billie's best friend Layla.

The feel-good drama will also star **Matthew Levett** (*A Place To Call Home*, *Devil's Playground*), **David Field** (*Catching Milat*, *No Activity*), **Rachel Gordon** (*Winter*, *The Moodys*, *Blue Heelers*), **Salvatore Coco** (*The Principal*, *Catching Milat*), **Jared Turner** (*The Almighty Johnsons*, *The Shannara Chronicles*) and outstanding newcomer **Jordan Hare**.

Supporting cast members include former Miss World Australia **Erin Holland**, **JR Reyne** (*Neighbours*), **Libby Asciak** (*Here Come The Habibs*), **Johnny Boxer** (*Fat Pizza vs Housos*), **Terry Serio** (*Janet King*), WAAPA graduate **Harriet Gordon-Anderson**, **Jeremy Ambrum** (*Cleverman*, *Mabo*) and **Amanda Muggleton** (*City Homicide*, *Prisoner*).

Seven's Director of Network Production, **Brad Lyons**, said: "Seven is the home of Australian drama and we're immensely proud to be bringing another great Australian story to the screen. Jessica Mauboy is an amazing talent and this is a terrific yarn full of warmth, humour and music and we can't wait to share it with everyone."

ScreenTime CEO, **Rory Callaghan**, added: "We are delighted that this heart-warming production has attracted a cast of such depth and calibre."

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