

Marco Pierre White on Seven's menu in 2017

The revered chef will host HELL'S KITCHEN AUSTRALIA.

(1 December 2016) Seven is the hottest place to be in 2017 with news **Marco Pierre White** will host **HELL'S KITCHEN AUSTRALIA**.

The high octane reality juggernaut is one of the world's most successful and enduring food formats. The global phenomenon is produced in 18 territories including 16 hit seasons in America and four in the UK. Now it's coming to Australia!

The three Michelin star chef will be opening HELL'S KITCHEN AUSTRALIA with a team of celebrities yet to be announced.

The apprentice chefs will face skill based challenges under the immense pressure of delivering a complete dinner service at the exclusive HELL'S KITCHEN restaurant. It promises to be a thrilling and fiery ride as these celebrities face the toughest challenge within the hottest and toughest kitchen in the world.

Marco Pierre White said: "All chefs over time will stray slowly from the stove, very few stay close to the flame. HELL'S KITCHEN, without question, is the most natural environment for me to be myself."

Filming will commence in the New Year. Further details will be revealed in coming months.

HELL'S KITCHEN AUSTRALIA will be produced by ITV Studios Australia for Channel Seven.

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MARCO PIERRE WHITE BIOGRAPHY

Dubbed the 'Godfather of Modern-Day Cooking,' Marco Pierre White is as famous for his fiery temper as he is for his kitchen prowess.

He arrived in London as a 19-year-old with "£7.36, a box of books and a bag of clothes," to continue his apprenticeship under the guidance of Albert Roux at Le Gavroche.

On the 17th January 1987, Marco became Head Chef and joint owner of Harveys. In three years he achieved two Michelin stars.

At 33-years-old, he became the youngest chef in the world to win three Michelin stars and was the first British chef to achieve this accolade in January 1995.

Along his culinary journey, he trained Gordon Ramsay, Heston Blumenthal, Eric Chavot, Philip Howard, Richard Neat, who have all achieved two and three Michelin stars in their own right.

He has also trained many acclaimed Australian chefs, including Curtis Stone, Shannon Bennett, Donovan Cooke, Jock Zonfrillo and Spencer Patrick.

The rockstar celebrity chef has written many inspirational books throughout his career, including *White Heat*, regarded by many chefs as the most important and influential cook book of its generation.

Marco is no stranger to HELL'S KITCHEN having hosted series 3 and 4 in the UK.

