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## JACQUES REYMOND TAKES VICTORIA'S TOP ACCOLADE

Iconic Melbourne restaurant **Jacques Reymond** in **Prahran** has been named Metropolitan Victoria's top place to dine in the 2011 Savour Australia™ Restaurant & Catering **HOSTPLUS** Awards for Excellence for Victoria. The restaurant also won the Fine Dining - Metropolitan category.

More than 170 restaurants and caterers whose businesses are located across the state of Victoria were recognised at the ceremony tonight (August 8) at Palladium at Crown, Melbourne to acknowledge excellence in food and service.

Joining Jacques Reymond in the winners' circle was **Eleonore's** at **Yering** who were awarded the Restaurant of the Year – Regional trophy, and **Atlantic [V]** at **Docklands** who were named Victoria's Caterer of the Year.

Jacques Reymond, Eleonore's and Atlantic [V] will now compete with venues from across Australia in the National finals in Sydney on October 24 this year, to be held at Luna Park.

Restaurant & Catering CEO John Hart commented that "the Awards for Excellence represent an important moment as the industry pauses to honour these outstanding venues who were reviewed on the whole dining experience rather than a single dimension.

Victoria is home to some of the country's tourism and dining treasures, with Melbourne fondly referred to as Australia's foodie capital. The restaurants and caterers in this state always reflect the rich use of regional produce making it quite unique in comparison to other states."

Other major Award winners included **Crown Melbourne** who were awarded the George Mure Memorial Professional Development Award; **Dandelion**, Elwood who won the Savour Australia Consumer Vote Award, and **Ros Harvey** of The Grand Hotel Richmond who was awarded the prestigious Lifetime Achiever Award.

The Awards for Excellence were judged by a team of trained judges who anonymously visited the venues to determine the winners.

Restaurant & Catering represents almost 1000 restaurants and caterers in Victoria. Each year over 900 members are reviewed in the Awards for Excellence across Australia.

Please see the Winners List attached for a complete list of category winners in the 2011 Savour Australia™ Restaurant & Catering **HOSTPLUS** Metropolitan and Regional Victoria Awards for Excellence.



**Savour Australia™ Restaurant & Catering HOSTPLUS Awards for Excellence**

**Nominee / Winners List – VIC**

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**Indian / Sub-Continent Restaurant - Metro**

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**WINNER** - Bhoj Docklands Indian Restaurant, DOCKLANDS  
Café Saffron Indian Restaurant, IVANHOE  
Indian Star Restaurant, MOONEE PONDS  
Tandoori Junction, GLEN WAVERLEY

**Indian / Sub Continent Restaurant - Regional**

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Bukhara, WARRAGUL  
**WINNER** - Tulsi Indian Restaurant, SOMERSVILLE

**Asian Restaurant - Metro**

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Gingerboy, MELBOURNE  
Kobe Jones Melbourne, DOCKLANDS  
Kotaraya Asian Multicuisine Restaurant, ELSTERNWICK  
**WINNER** - Nobu, SOUTHBANK  
Silks, SOUTHBANK  
Takumi Japanese Restaurant, MELBOURNE

**Modern Asian Restaurant - Regional**

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**HONOURABLE MENTION** - Malayan Orchid Restaurant, BENDIGO

**Japanese Restaurant - Metro**

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Izakay Den, MELBOURNE  
Izakaya Chuji Japanese Restaurant and Nihonshu Sake Bar, MELBOURNE  
**WINNER** - Ocha Restaurant, HAWTHORN

**Specialty Restaurant - Metro**

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Maha, MELBOURNE  
**WINNER** - Rumi Restaurant, EAST BRUNSWICK

**Specialty Restaurant - Regional**

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**WINNER** - Office 3564 Café and Wine Bar, ECHUCA  
The Mex, OCEAN GROVE

**Thai Restaurant - Metro**

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Isthmus of Kra, SOUTH MELBOURNE  
**WINNER** - Paladarr Thai Issan, ALPHINGTON  
River Kwai Thai & Burmese Restaurant, CLAYTON  
Siam 1, CARNEGIE  
Siam Bayside Thai Restaurant, FRANKSTON  
Suwan Thai Restaurant, LOWER PLENTY  
Vanilla Orchid Thai Restaurant, WARRANDYTE

**Greek Restaurant - Metro**

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**WINNER** - Hellenic Republic, EAST BRUNSWICK  
Salona Greek Restaurant, RICHMOND  
Stalactites Restaurant, MELBOURNE

**Italian Restaurant – Informal - Metro**

*Sponsored by San Benedetto Acqua Minerale*

Donnini's, CARLTON  
Ecco Restaurant, SOUTH YARRA  
Emporio Della Pasta, SOUTHBANK  
**WINNER** - Mezzo Bar & Grill, MELBOURNE  
Sapore Restaurant, ST KILDA  
Va Bene Pizzeria, DOCKLANDS

**Italian Restaurant – Informal - Regional**

*Sponsored by Divella*

Antonio's On the Port, ECHUCA  
Bicardo's Ristorante Bar and Forno, SHEPPARTON  
D'amicos Licensed Restaurant, WANGARATTA  
**WINNER** - Rinaldo's Casa Cucina, WANGARATTA

**Italian Restaurant – Formal - Metro**

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**WINNER** - Cecconi's Cantina, MELBOURNE  
Sarti, MELBOURNE

**Fine Dining Restaurant - Metro**

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**WINNER** - Jacques Reymond, PRAHRAN  
The Press Club, MELBOURNE  
Vue De Monde, MELBOURNE

**Fine Dining Restaurant - Regional**

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Royal Mail Hotel, Dunkeld, DUNKELD  
**WINNER** - Eleonore's, YERING

**French Restaurant - Metro**

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Embrasse Restaurant, CARLTON  
**WINNER** - PM24, MELBOURNE  
The French Brasserie, MELBOURNE

**Restaurant in a Winery - Regional**

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Montalto, RED HILL SOUTH  
Morning Star Estate, MOUNT ELIZA  
Oakdene Vineyards Restaurant, WALLINGTON  
Oakridge Wines, COLDSTREAM  
Rochford Wines, COLDSTREAM  
**WINNER** - Salix Restaurant, MERRICKS NORTH  
Tokar Estate, COLDSTREAM  
Wild Dog Winery Restaurant, WARRAGUL

**Tourism Restaurant**

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**WINNER** - Chris's Beacon Point Restaurant, APOLLO BAY  
Seasons Mildura, MILDURA  
Skyhigh Mount Dandenong, MOUNT DANDENONG

**Contemporary Australian Restaurant – Informal - Metro**

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1884 Courthouse Restaurant, BERWICK  
Chimmy's Richmond, RICHMOND  
Clancy's Restaurant, MOUNT WAVERLEY  
Meko Dining, WANTIRNA  
**WINNER** - The Boulevard Restaurant and Functions, KEW  
Trotters, CARLTON

**Contemporary Australian Restaurant – Informal - Regional**

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Chris's Beacon Point Restaurant, APOLLO BAY  
Feathertop Restaurant, FALLS CREEK  
Flinders Hotel, FLINDERS  
Oscar W's Wharfside Redgum and Grill Deck Bar, ECHUCA  
RACV Cape Schanck Resort Restaurant, CAPE SCHANCK  
**WINNER** - Salix Bistro, MERRICKS NORTH  
Seasons Mildura, MILDURA  
The Rocks Mornington, MORNINGTON

**Contemporary Australian Restaurant – Formal - Metro**

*Sponsored by ALSCO*

Bluestone Restaurant, MELBOURNE  
**WINNER** - Ezard, MELBOURNE  
Mercer's Restaurant, ELTHAM  
Number 8 Restaurant and Wine Bar, SOUTHBANK  
Verge Restaurant, MELBOURNE  
Wildflower, CANTERBURY

**Contemporary Australian Restaurant – Formal - Regional**

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Counting House, MORNINGTON PENINSULA  
Jack Rabbit Vineyard, BELLARINE  
Linden Tree, RED HILL  
Max's Restaurant, RED HILL SOUTH  
Mercato At Daylesford, DAYLESFORD  
**WINNER** - The Long Table Bar and Dining, RED HILL SOUTH

### **Restaurant in a Training Institute**

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Prospects, UNIVERSITY OF BALLARAT  
Fountains Restaurant, BOX HILL TAFE  
St Georges Restaurant, NORTHERN MELBOURNE INSTITUTE OF TAFE  
The Culinarium, CROWN CASINO  
**WINNER** - VenU, VICTORIA UNIVERSITY – NICHOLSON CAMPUS

### **Breakfast Restaurant - Metro**

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Chimmy's Richmond, RICHMOND  
**WINNER** - seven:am, PORT MELBOURNE  
The Boulevard Restaurant and Functions, KEW  
Trotters, CARLTON

### **Breakfast Restaurant - Regional**

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Lilo Café, MORNINGTON  
Rebecca's Café and Ice Creamery, PORT FAIRY  
The Village Larder, WOODEND  
**WINNER** - Two Buoys, DROMANA

### **Beer Café - Regional**

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**HONOURABLE MENTION** - Red Hill Brewery, RED HILL SOUTH

### **Café Restaurant - Metro**

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Ambrosia Café Bar Foodstore, BERWICK  
Cafe Vue, MELBOURNE  
**WINNER** - Cafe Vue at 401 St Kilda Rd, MELBOURNE  
Cafe Vue at Heide, BULLEEN  
Truly Scrumptious, MENTONE  
Klik Food and Drink, MELBOURNE  
Overflow Café & Wine Bar, MOUNT WAVERLEY

### **Café Restaurant - Regional**

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Buckley's Chance, SORRENTO  
Funkey Monkey, LAKES ENTRANCE  
Fork to Fork @ Heronswood, DROMANA  
**WINNER** - Lilo Café, MORNINGTON  
Onde Fine Food Café, MORNINGTON  
Pelican Pantry, HASTINGS  
Rebecca's Café and Ice Creamery, PORT FAIRY  
Rye Pier Restaurant and Bar, RYE  
Spoons Riverside, SWAN HILL  
The Dunes, OCEAN GROVE  
The Epicurean Delicatessen, BENDIGO  
The Pickled Sisters Café, WAHGUNYAH  
The Turret Café and Catering, BALLARAT  
The Village Larder, WOODEND  
Trims Restaurant, MCCRAE  
Two Buoys, DROMANA  
Wickens Provedore and Delicatessen, APOLLO BAY  
Wyton Cellars, WARRNAMBOOL

**Pizza Restaurant - Regional**

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**WINNER** - Ciao Bella Pizzeria and Wine Bar, BALNARRING  
D.O.C. Mornington, MORNINGTON

**Restaurant in a Pub / Club / Tavern - Metro**

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Collins Quarter, MELBOURNE  
Pig & Whistle Tavern, OLINDA  
**WINNER** - Royal Saxon, RICHMOND  
The Hobson Stores, SANDRINGHAM

**Restaurant in a Motel - Regional**

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**HONOURABLE MENTION** - Tuileries Restaurant, RUTHERGLEN

**Tapas Restaurant - Metro**

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Anada Bar & Restaurant, FITZROY  
**WINNER** - MoVida, MELBOURNE  
Simply Spanish, SOUTH MELBOURNE

**Events Caterer**

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**WINNER** - Crown Melbourne, SOUTHBANK  
Delaware North Companies Australia, Australian Open, RICHMOND  
Marriner Group, MELBOURNE  
Melbourne Racing Club, CAULFIELD  
Peter Rowland Catering, SOUTH YARRA

**Steak Restaurant - Metro**

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Mediterraneo Restaurant, ALBERT PARK  
**WINNER** - The Point Albert Park, ALBERT PARK

**Steak Restaurant - Regional**

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**HONOURABLE MENTION** - The New Spanish Bar and Grill, MILDURA

**Industrial / Institutional Caterer**

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Alliance Catering – Trinity College, PARKVILLE  
Contemporary Catering, MAIDSTONE  
**WINNER** - ISS Catering Services, FOOTSCRAY  
Medirest (Australia) Pty Ltd - Mercy Hospital for Women, HEIDELBERG

**Corporate Caterer**

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**HONOURABLE MENTION** - EPICURE NAB Docklands, DOCKLANDS

**New Restaurant - Metro**

*Sponsored by HOSTPLUS*

Flare Contemporary Grill, ST KILDA  
**WINNER** - Hare and Grace, MELBOURNE  
The Kitchen Cat, MELBOURNE

**New Restaurant - Regional**

*Sponsored by HOSTPLUS*

**HONOURABLE MENTION** - Steam Asian Restaurant, RYE

**European Restaurant - Metro**

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**WINNER** - Bistro Vue, MELBOURNE

Bolero's, WARRANDYTE

**European Restaurant - Regional**

*Sponsored by HOSTPLUS*

**WINNER** - Bistro Maison, MOUNT ELIZA

La Petanque Restaurant, MAIN RIDGE

Les Chesselles French Café/Restaurant, WANDIN NORTH

**Venue Caterer**

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Delaware North Companies Australia, Etihad Stadium, DOCKLANDS

Delaware North Companies Australia at Sovereign Hill, BALLARAT

**WINNER** - Peter Rowland Catering, SOUTH YARRA

**Small Caterer**

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**HONOURABLE MENTION** - Ed Dixon Food Design, ABBOTSFORD

**Wedding Caterer**

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**WINNER** - Atlantic Group [V], DOCKLANDS

Crown Melbourne, SOUTHBANK

Delaware North Companies Australia at Narmbool, BALLARAT

Ed Dixon Food Design, ABBOTSFORD

Marriner Group, MELBOURNE

Red Scooter Unique Events Venue, BALACLAVA

The Point, ALBERT PARK

The Terrace - Delaware North, SOUTH YARRA

Zinc at Federation Square (EPICURE), MELBOURNE

**Restaurant Caterer**

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Delaware North Companies Australia - The Grille Steakhouse, DOCKLANDS

**WINNER** - The Boulevard Restaurant & Functions, KEW

**Function / Convention Centre Caterer**

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**WINNER** - Atlantic Group [V], DOCKLANDS

Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre, MELBOURNE

Zinc at Federation Square (EPICURE), MELBOURNE

**Site Contract Caterer**

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**HONOURABLE MENTION** - Eurest (Australia) - Air Services, TULLAMARINE

## **MAJOR AWARDS**

### **Caterer of the Year**

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**WINNER** - Atlantic Group [V], DOCKLANDS

### **Restaurant of the Year – Regional**

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**WINNER** - Eleonore's, YERING

### **Restaurant of the Year – Metropolitan**

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**WINNER** - Jacques Reymond, PRAHRAN

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### **George Mure Memorial Professional Development Award**

Crown Melbourne, SOUTHBANK

### **Peoples Choice Award**

Dandelion, ELWOOD

### **2011 Lifetime Achiever Award**

Ros Harvey, The Grand Hotel

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