

# Miguel Maestre

## *Celebrity Chef, TV Presenter & Host*

Having worked for many years in various kitchens around the world, Miguel Maestre is one talented Spaniard who has made Sydney his home. Born in Murcia in the south of Spain, his love for food was pre-determined from a young age. Miguel's passion for food and life is infectious, and he has developed a talent for incorporating Spanish ingredients and cooking styles into his Australian menus.



Miguel worked alongside some of the best chefs in Australia including Serge Dansereau of Bather's Pavilion, and the Godfather of Australian Cuisine Tony Bilson being head chef of his restaurant "Number One".

After being inspired with Ferran Adria in the kitchen of the number one restaurant in the world "El Bulli", he opened his first Spanish Restaurant in Australia "El Toro Loco". The biggest Spanish restaurant in the country in an outstanding waterfront location at Manly Beach.

Some of his cooking credits include being the head chef at the most prestigious events in Australia 'Emirates Melbourne Cup' and 'Australian Grandprix', building a strong reputation in the cooking scene.

Miguel has been awarded by His Majesty 'The King of Spain' the highest award a citizen can receive "The Order of Civil Merits" for his extraordinary service to the nation for the benefit of Spain in the Australian media.

It is Miguel's co-hosting role on TEN's 4 time Logie Winning Show and 1 AACTA Award "The Living Room" that has catapulted him into the world of TV. Other TV credits include "Boys Weekend" (airing in more than 100 countries worldwide, "Miguel's Tropical Kitchen" where he charms his way through the tropics of North Queensland, cooking with exotic ingredients in breathtaking locations, "Miguel's Feasts" airing on Network 10 and internationally, "Weekend Feasts" and competing in "Dancing With The Stars".

2020 saw Miguel win over the hearts of all the Australians being crowned the "King of the Jungle" on "I'm a Celebrity Get Me Out Of Here!".

Miguel's love of fresh, local and seasonal produce also sees him as a regular in the country's top food festivals including Good Food & Wine Show and Regional Flavours, just to name a few.

He is the owner and founder of Maestre Enterprises, the most gourmet Spanish brand in the country showcasing over 100 products in the range including smallgoods, bakery, cheeses, paella kits, patatas fritas and cookware.

Miguel is the author of three best selling Spanish books "*Miguel's Tapas*" and "*Spanish Cooking*" and "*Feasts*". And co-author of the best selling "*Life Force*" with Barry Du Bois.

In the Australian Talent Index Miguel Maestre is the 2nd most trustworthy talent on Australian Broadcast and the Fifth most Popular making him a household name in Australian Media.

Miguel is also a proud Brand Ambassador for Stockland and Harris Scarfe.

Miguel also works very closely with the following charities OzHarvest, R U Ok? and CARE Australia.

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