

## PINCTADA CABLE BEACH POLO 2014 ANNOUNCES A STAR-STUDDED LINE-UP

Aussie Supermodel Samantha Harris,
X-Factor Star Barry Southgate,
International Celebrity Chef Barclay Dodge
& International Polo Stars to Join
Australia's Only Beach Tournament,
Cable Beach, 24 – 25 May 2014

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This year, *Pinctada Cable Beach Polo*, Australia's only beach polo tournament, features a star-studded cast both on and off the field, with a slew of celebrities planning to attend including:

Indigenous Supermodel – **Samantha Harris**X-Factor Star – **Barry Southgate**International Celebrity Chef – **Barclay Dodge**International Polo Players including Columbian Star - **Esteban Uribe** 

*Pinctada Cable Beach Polo* will be held on the sands of Cable Beach on the **24**<sup>th</sup> **and the 25**<sup>th</sup> **May 2014**. This year, for the first time, guests have the opportunity to join the crowd in the new **Kimberley Beach Polo Lounge** to watch the exciting final matches between some of the top polo professionals from Australia, the UK and NZ. For only \$88, guests can enjoy a stylish 'beach club' atmosphere where they can mingle with the stars and the players, enjoy premium beverages from icy cold Coopers to Veuve Clicquot champagne and cocktails (cash bar) as well as some great picnic-style food.

Samantha Harris is an Australian Indigenous supermodel and the Face of Australian Indigenous Fashion Week™. Samantha Harris has been modeling since the age of 13 and has featured on the cover of Australian Vogue, been appointed a fashion ambassador for David Jones, and has walked the runway for some of Australia's most loved labels. Samantha is a role model for many Indigenous Australians and is looking forward to meeting the winners and contestants from the West's own **Kimberley Girl** programme, as well as being a spectator at the *Pinctada Cable Beach Polo*.

**Barry Southgate** will perform on the sands of Cable Beach on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> May during the *Pinctada Cable Beach Polo* tournament, treating guests to a 20 minute set of his magical vocal talent, and sing a spine-tingling version of the national anthem ahead of the tournament finals on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> May. Having debuted on the big screen in the critically acclaimed box office hit, *The Sapphires*, the talented vocal artist secured his fame with a place in The X-Factor's coveted 'Top 12' in 2013. Barry was handpicked

for The X-Factor LIVE Tour, winning over a legion of new fans and establishing himself as one of Australia's most exciting talents.

**Barclay Dodge** is an international celebrity chef, who is being flown in especially for this year's *Pinctada Cable Beach Polo*. He hails from Aspen, Colorado, however his career has taken him all over the world, from the kitchens of El Bulli in Spain where he trained under Ferran Adria, to Relais & Châteaux resorts in Santa Fe and San Diego where he was Executive Chef. He is a culinary icon in United States, and normally those who wish to savour his unique cuisine must travel to Pacifica Restaurant & Oyster Bar in Aspen, however this year, they can enjoy it on the sands of Cable Beach. He will join the polo as a spectator as well as creating the legendary "Dinner Under the Stars" on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> May.

**Polo Stars** are flying in from around the globe and lining up to compete in this year's *Pinctada Cable Beach Polo* tournament. There is top Kiwi polo player **Sam Hopkinson**, rated by Vanity Fair as one of the world's Hottest Horsemen, Columbian champion player **Esteban Uribe**, as well as Aussie stars **Jack Archibald** of the Archibald polo dynasty and top-rated female player Julie Nazir.

Pinctada Cable Beach Polo is a three day festival running from May 23 to 25 2014, featuring leading polo players and their ponies vying for glory on the sands of Cable Beach. Says Marilynne Paspaley, "It is an event with something for everyone; from the breathtaking spectacle of international and local polo players battling it out on the sand to the barefoot fun and club atmosphere of our Kimberley Beach Polo Lounge; from the relaxed schedule of social events to some exciting community initiatives such as the Kimberley Challenge, in which indigenous stockmen compete in the sport. The event is now so popular and its fame has spread so far that stars fly in from all over the country and the world to be part of it."

For information on purchasing tickets for *Pinctada Cable Beach Polo 2014*, please visit the website, <u>www.cablebeachpolo.com.au</u> or contact <u>info@cablebeachpolo.com.au</u>

Tickets to the Kimberley Beach Polo Lounge are available for the Sunday tournament (cash bar, single day ticket) at \$88.

A limited number of VIP Beach Polo Passports are also available at \$450 (save \$65), providing guests with two days of beach polo action from the VIP Marquee Enclosure. The VIP Beach Polo Passport provides entry to each day session of the polo tournament for one adult, inclusive of premium beverages and cuisine.

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