

THE ESCAPE TEAM'S HOTLIST



Mucho gusto

Kriti Gupta / Social Media Editor



Ever since I visited Spain before Covid hit, I've been chasing the colourful, quirky vibes of the Spanish lifestyle whenever I can. For bites, Spanish Tapas in Glebe is

a hole-in-the-wall joint that greets you with a large array of tapas (my personal favourite is the jamón), pans of paella and jugs of sangria, and ends your night with a delightful flamenco show.



The flip side

David Smiedt / Lists Editor



Split over three levels in what was once a recording studio, Grandmaster Recorders in LA is a restaurant and bar complex that oozes Hollywood cool, albeit with an Aussie flavour: the

chefs are Aussies, the wagyu is from Queensland and there's an Aria award at the front desk. If you're in LA, go for the tiramisù, which resembles a wax record in delicious detail. It tastes good, too.



A lesser-known knees-up

Emma Markezic / Contributor



You know Lollapalooza and Coachella, but have you heard of Shaky Knees? It's an indie music festival held in Atlanta every May. I just got back from seeing Aussie artists Gang of

Youths, and Amyl and the Sniffers alongside big names such as Nine Inch Nails. I spied lots of strollers and picnic blankets among the glitter and ripped denim – it's a something-for-everyone vibe.



Here's cheers

Kerrie McCallum / Editor-in-Chief



With its exceptional mini-bar and prime position in Hobart, MACq 01 is easily one of my favourite hotels. Its fifth birthday is next month, and it's treating its birthday twins to a special stay.

If you happen to be born on June 1 you can nab a Superior Waterfront Room on the big day, free of charge. Those lucky enough to score one will also be treated to a bottle of Tasmanian sparkling wine.