

## Matariki Dinner

Matariki is a special occasion in the New Zealand calendar which marks the start of the Māori New Year. Signified by the Matariki cluster of stars reappearing in our night sky, this is a time to reflect on the past year, celebrate the present, and plan for the year ahead. (Friday 28<sup>th</sup> of June)

*\$125pp Dinner      \$180pp dinner w full wine match*

## BRAC & BOW

### Tupu-ā-rangi

#### *Lighting of the candles*

**Puri balls filled w quince jam & goat cheese**

Tupu-ā-rangi loves to sing. Papatūānuku (mother earth) takes her to sing for Te wao nui, (the great forests of Tāne) and all of his children within it. Her beautiful voice revives the forest and all the other creatures.

*Music & spark of conversation and reflection.*

### Pōhutukawa

**Rēwena bread w Pōhutukawa honey mascarpone**

Pōhutukawa holds tight to our memories of treasured people who have passed on. She encourages us to take the time to remember them.

*Urlar rose brut*

### Tupu-ā-nuku

**Truffled Portobello Mushrooms, onion gel, w purple kumara, parsnip bark, olive soil & Kawakawa infused oil**

Tupu-ā-nuku is the eldest of Matariki's daughters. She spends her time with Papatūānuku tending to plants. She pays special attention to making sure the soils are rich and have everything they need to grow so they can produce kai.

*Te whare ra - Toru*

### Waitī & Waitā

**Grilled Blue Warehouse, scallop & prawn bisque, balsamic pearls & seaweed drizzle**

Waitī watches over our freshwater environments. (rivers), (lakes), (wetlands), and (springs) Waitā surveys our vast oceans, (the Pacific Ocean) and (the Tasman Sea) together they encourage us to respect how these waters; support, provide, connect, and sustain us.

*Mediator Rose*

### Waipuna-ā-rangi

#### THE CLEANSER

**Elderflower and Sencha rain Lemon snow**

Waipuna-ā-rangi welcomes the winter sky waters in all their forms – rain, hail & snow, she sees how these waters contribute to the healthy cycle of our earth. This helps us reset and make change for the future.

### Ururangi

**Manuka Smoke infused Duck Breast on rice paper pillow, w plum reflection pond & Korean cabbage**

Ururangi is close friends with te whānau pūhi (the wind family) – Hauraro (the north wind), Tonga (the south wind), Hauāuru (the west wind), and Marangai (the east wind). She encourages us to get to know this family well, embrace its strength and prepare for any challenges it creates.

*The King's Bastard Chardonnay*

### Matariki

**Sous vide Lamb on pea purée w orange glazed baby carrots & duchess kumara**

*Gladstone vineyard Pinot noir*

The mother star - Her role is what all good mothers (& caregivers) do – watching over and helping her Tamariki (children).

### Hiwa-i-te-rangi

#### *Make a Wish!*

**Whitakers Chocolate, milk & honey millefeuille**

Granting your wishes and realising our aspirations for the coming year.

It is also known as the wishing star.

**Time to set your dreams and desires...**

*de la terre réserve Noble viognier*