

# FOOD NEWS

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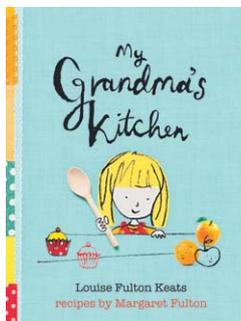
## HOT PRODUCT

PROVIDORE **Simon Johnson** may have sold his business but he is still retaining a say in the product range, this month launching a lovely line of new Asian sauces and packaged ingredients.

The range includes laksa paste, chilli jam, butter chicken paste, Thai marinade paste, coconut cream, freeze-dried kaffir lime leaves (ingenious!), fish sauce, sweet chilli sauce, wasabi peanuts and fried shallots, priced between \$2.70 and \$8.75, and available from Simon Johnson stores.



## GREAT READ



A MINI family industry has sprung up around culinary doyenne **Margaret Fulton**, with another granddaughter touting a cookbook, this one about cooking with her gran.

**Louise Fulton Keats'** *My Grandma's Kitchen* (Hardie Grant, \$29.95, released April 1) relates stories from growing up in the legendary Fulton household and offers 30 of her grandmother's favourite recipes, most of which are designed to satisfy the taste buds of young children.

## WHAT'S ON



ONE of the nation's best gourmet events, the Noosa Food and Wine Festival, has released its program — and there are stellar events on offer.

On the weekend of May 13-15, it will showcase chefs such as South

África's **Luke Dale-Roberts** and Italy's **Carlo Cracco**. The local talent includes **Matt Moran**, **Mark Best**, **Tetsuya Wakuda** (pictured) and **Justin North**.

As well as gourmet dinners, there will be cooking classes and food trails.

Go to [www.celebrationofaustralianfoodandwine.com.au](http://www.celebrationofaustralianfoodandwine.com.au).

## TOP AWARDS



YOUNG chefs, waiters and restaurateurs who think they are good at what they're doing should consider entering the Electrolux Appetite for

Excellence young chef awards. The national awards have some amazing prizes, including a trip to Venice to represent Australia at the S. Pellegrino Cooking Cup and a trip to London for the S. Pellegrino Top 50 Restaurants award.

Applicants need to be 30 or younger. See [www.appetiteforexcellence.com](http://www.appetiteforexcellence.com).