

## The Chef Series: Not Everything Is Always As It Appears at The Datai Langkawi 30 August to 1 September 2019







Langkawi, Malaysia, July 2019 - As part of the ongoing Chef Series, a quintessential signature experience at <a href="The Datai Langkawi">The Datai Langkawi</a>, the resort will proudly welcome London born Chef Nelly Robinson from 30 August to 1 September 2019, inviting guests to experience and indulge in his culinary excellence in the heart of the Malaysian rainforest. The Chef Series, which has welcomed culinary luminaries including the legendary Michel and Sébastien Bras, invites Michelin-starred chefs from around the globe to showcase their extraordinary skill and talent at the resort.

Nelly began his career at the tender age of 14 at Michelin-starred restaurant Northcote Manor in England, where he trained under Chef Patron, Nigel Haworth. He went on to open his first restaurant, <u>nel</u>. in Australia, pioneering a globally-inspired culinary scene in Sydney that is widely celebrated for its unique dining experience. The restaurant won the 'People's Choice' award by Time Out Magazine in 2016, the 'Certificate of Excellence 2016' by TripAdvisor, with Nelly notably nominated for the 'Gault & Millau' (Chef of the Year) award both in 2016 and 2017.

Over the course of three days, Nelly will be introducing his gastronomic flair known for stirring excitement with food to those staying at resort. Committed to providing each and every guest

with an unforgettable experience, Nelly and his team will create an unusual menu based on childhood memories and fairytales. The magical surroundings of The Datai Langkawi will provide abundant inspiration for an unexpected and exciting journey of the senses packed with storytelling, big on flavour, and delivered with integrity and passion. Just as in the lush, tropical landscape of Datai Bay, not everything is always as it first seems on these plates, with joyous surprises and twists at every turn.

The three-day event will feature a five-course dinner at the resort's beautiful indoor and outdoor The Dining Room venue overlooking the main pool, every evening from 30 August to 1 September. Spectacular views of the breathtaking rainforest canopy provide the perfect backdrop to a showcase of the exceptional natural produce and spices offered by the unique, stunning location of The Datai Langkawi. Chef Nelly will also be delivering a complimentary cooking demonstration in a laid-back setting at the much-loved The Beach Bar on 31 August, before ending his series by inviting guests to take part in a cooking class followed by lunch held at the resort's cooking school called The Dapur (Malay for 'kitchen') on 1 September. Here, guests can enjoy a unique hands-on gastronomic experience creating then enjoying their very own culinary delights.

As part of this series in partnership with <u>Sidewood Wines</u>, each dining experience will provide guests the option to wine-pair from the largest eco-sustainable winery in the Adelaide Hills. Founded in 2004, Sidewood Wines was born out of the vision and passion of owners Owen and Cassandra Inglis to create beautifully balanced, elegant, award-winning wines, accredited with the '5 Red Star' rating from prolific Australian wine critic James Halliday.

Following the resort's recent refurbishment, every aspect of the guest experience has been reimaged and reassessed with its focus on sustainability bolstered further. The brainchild of General Manager Arnaud Girodon, the Chef Series has brought celebrated chefs from around the globe to the heart of the Malaysian rainforest. By celebrating the very best in hospitality

and gastronomy, the series plays a key role in cementing the position of The Datai Langkawi as one of the leading luxury resorts in Asia.

Special room packages are being offered with daily signature breakfasts, one dinner by Chef Nelly Robinson (food only) and a 60-minute spa treatment.

(Advance booking required at <u>reservations@thedataihotels.com</u> or call +604 9500 500)

Dinner (30 August to 1 September)
The Dining Room
7.00 pm
RM480 per person
RM750 per person with wine pairing by Sidewood wines

\*All prices are subject to 10% service charge

For dinner reservations only, please call +604 9500 500 or email to fbsecdatailangkawi@dataihotels.com

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## **ABOUT THE DATAI LANGKAWI**

One of the world's most stunning resorts, The Datai Langkawi is situated on the northwest tip of the island Langkawi in Malaysia. Located in a 10-million-year-old rainforest rich in wildlife and overlooking the tranquil Datai Bay that has been awarded by National Geographic as one of the Top 10 Beaches Worldwide, the iconic property enchants with mesmerising nature, visionary architecture, luxury and bespoke service. All of the 121 rooms, villas and suites at The Datai Langkawi, including the five-bedroom The Datai Estate Villa, offer breathtaking views of the surrounding nature. Elevated among treetops, set in the very heart of the rainforest or located directly on the coastline, the dining outlets, which include the award-winning The Gulai House as well as The Pavilion, The Dining Room and The Beach Club, pay homage to the exotic flavours and culinary traditions of the region. Leisure facilities include two swimming pools; a state-of-the-art fitness centre; an array of wellness activities; the award-winning spa and The Els Club Teluk Datai - the most scenic golf course in Southeast Asia designed by golf legend Ernie Els. The Datai Langkawi is managed by Themed Attractions Resorts & Hotels Sdn Bhd, an investment holding company incorporated to develop, manage and operate hospitality and attraction destinations.

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