

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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## Stage 1 of Adelaide Airport terminal expansion now open

The first stage of the expanded Adelaide Airport terminal has opened to customers this morning, Wednesday February 26, with six retailers opening their new stores.

Penfolds Wine Bar and Kitchen, Boost Juice, Lego Kaboom, Airport Pharmacy, Soul Origin, and Precinct Adelaide Kitchen have all started trading opposite gates 15-16.

Adelaide Airport recently announced Penfolds and Maggie Beer will be among the iconic home-grown Australian brands and identities who will be part of the terminal's new retail and dining offering, with the Penfolds in-airport concept the first of its kind globally. The airport will also welcome popular local food identities Poh Ling Yeow and Callum Hann, who will each bring their own special flavours to the new look dining precinct.

The newly constructed retail concourse is part of Adelaide Airport's first major expansion works since the current terminal was opened in 2005. The terminal expansion will see a complete refurbishment of retail areas, resulting in a more than 80 per cent increase in the overall size of the terminal's retail and dining precinct across domestic and international areas.

International upgrades will include a second, longer baggage belt for arrivals, more space for emigration and immigration processing, expanded security screening, a larger duty-free precinct for arrivals and departures, and expanded dining and retail options.

Virgin Australia will open an expanded lounge offering an exciting new experience for its customers in April. The airline will vacate the current lounge from tomorrow to allow for construction works and has set up a temporary 'Summer Pop Up' lounge in the new retail precinct.

Adelaide Airport Managing Director, Mark Young, said it was exciting to see the hard work and years of planning starting to come to fruition.

"We think brands like Penfolds and later Maggie Beer will make Adelaide Airport a destination both for travellers and for South Australians looking for a unique dining and food experience," Mr Young said.

"The presence of iconic South Australian brands as well as the ultimate location of the Vickers Vimy aircraft on the ground floor of the expanded terminal will deliver a real sense of place."

In addition to the new retail areas, the offices of airlines and other Aviation House tenants have also relocated to new office space on Level 1 of the terminal over the past week. Adelaide Airport will commence demolition of Aviation House adjacent the current arrivals and departures halls in March ahead of the next phase of construction.

Customers will notice the installation this week of new hoardings in the central concourse area ready for the next stage of retail redevelopment as part of the terminal expansion project.

Passengers departing from gates 18 to 20 should allow an extra couple of minutes to reach their gate due to the construction works.

"We'd like to thank our customers for their patience and understanding as these construction works continue. We recognise there is some unavoidable disruption for travellers in the short term, but we think the end result will be exciting for all of our customers," Mr Young said.

A time lapse of construction is available at: <u>https://www.adelaideairport.com.au/corporate/about-us/projects/terminal-expansion-project/time-lapse/</u>