

Nerida Conway - Bio

Nerida Conway is the founder and director of popular food and lifestyle website 'That Food & Wine Show'. She hosts the associated radio podcast which features on iTunes and Virgin Australia's inflight entertainment, and she co-hosts *Talking Lifestyle's* live national 1 hour radio programmes 'Wine & Dine' and 'Living Fresh' – up to 4 times per week.

A pretty good home cook (and a very good eater), Nerida is the unique mixture of Australian businesswoman, popular media personality, journalist, presenter and mother of three. Her deep-seated love of communicating food and drink grew from a childhood spent chatting and cooking at the kitchen bench with The World's Best Home Cook - her Mum.

Born in Australia but growing up in Hong Kong meant dining out on snake soup as a local back street restaurant one night and roasting an Aussie leg of lamb brought over by visiting expats in their suitcase, the next. Nerida speaks choppy street Cantonese – (which is a winner at Yum Cha), and her first cookbook was 'Cookery – The Australian Way', which she still references, today. Her Mother wrote this about her as a 9 year old: "Nerida's flare at the moment is cooking. And believe me, if she continues the way she has begun, she will be a gourmet chef before long. She delights (AKA insists) on having full possession of the kitchen, and gets annoyed if we suggest that maybe she use a recipe book".

A qualified journalist, her career path led to TV presenting, modelling and acting, although she increasingly combined her foodie interests with her expertise in PR and communications. Her unique skills include MC'ing various events & gala dinners including Fonterra Proud to Be a Chef Gala Dinner, The Bocuse D'Or Gala Dinner, Hosting lunches and dinners for Taste Port Douglas Festival, Melb Food and Wine Festival and Noosa Food and Wine Festival, along with hosting panels / facilitating discussion with key stakeholders/ chefs/ restaurateurs at events like 'The Fine Food Show', 'Taste Port Douglas', Fonterra Proud to be a Chef media launches. Nerida also regularly conducts interviews with visiting celebrity chefs or featured personalities at events such as 'The Good food and Wine Show'.

Nerida has extensive presentation and communication expertise across multi-media channels - which puts the lie to most school reports which said she'd never be able to make a living talking so should learn to button her lip! Her proudest moment was not appearing as a love interest on TV's cultural icon, 'Neighbours', but instead her 13-year-old daughter cooking a chocolate pudding for Chef Scott Pickett which he described as the best he'd ever had.

Having worked with a long list of Australian and International high-profile chefs, food producers, winemakers, journalists and celebrities means Nerida is firmly placed to bring to you the things you want to know about the food we eat, the wine we drink, and so much more. And, she's down-to-earth too – which is bloody refreshing!

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