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Chronicle Books to distribute Hardie Grant Books in North America

San Francisco, CA (January 15, 2016) San Francisco-based publisher **Chronicle Books LLC** announced today that it has entered into an agreement to distribute Hardie Grant Books in North America.

Founded in 1997 in Melbourne, and now publishing from both London and Australia, Hardie Grant Books is a leading publisher of illustrated books in a number of categories including food and drink, design and interiors, humor and advice. They count amongst their internationally bestselling authors Greg and Lucy Malouf, Megan Hess, Domonique Bertolucci, Kit Kemp and the Green Kitchen blog authors David Frenkiel and Luise Vindahl.

Hardie Grant Books now joins Quadrille Publishing, also part of Hardie Grant Publishing Group, which has just enjoyed its first season with Chronicle Books.

Chronicle Books and its Canadian distributor Raincoast Books, will be responsible for selling approximately 40 titles a season, starting with the Fall 2016 season.

Hardie Grant Publishing will hire a marketing and publicity executive to work on both Quadrille and Hardie Grant Books situated at the Chronicle Books' office in San Francisco.

"Hardie Grant is a market leader in English language illustrated book publishing," says Jack Jensen, President of Chronicle Books. "After a longstanding partnership working with Hardie Grant to distribute our products in Australia, we are thrilled that we can now bring their future lists to the North American market."

"We are delighted that Chronicle Books will now extend its sales expertise to both our imprints Hardie Grant and Quadrille, and we look forward to working closely with them," says Julie Pinkham, HGP's Group Managing Director.

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About Chronicle Books Chronicle Books, one of the most admired and respected publishing companies in the U.S., was founded in 1967 and over the years has developed a reputation for award-winning, innovative books. Recognized as one as the fifty best small companies to work for in the U.S. (and the only independent publisher to receive this award), the company continues to challenge conventional publishing wisdom, setting trends in both subject and format, maintaining a list that includes much admired illustrated books and gift products in design, art, architecture, photography, food, lifestyle, pop culture, and acclaimed children's titles. Chronicle Books' objective is to create and distribute exceptional publishing that's instantly recognizable for its spirit, creativity, and value. For more information about Chronicle Books visit www.chroniclebooks.com

About Hardie Grant: Hardie Grant Publishing is an independent publisher based in Melbourne, Australia and London. We create award-winning beautiful, tactile and useful books that reflect our passion for quality and design. Our publishing depends on originality and creativity without losing sight of simplicity, and we aim to set and reflect global trends in food, drink, fashion, lifestyle, interiors, humor and gift. Hardie Grant authors are experts in their fields. From best-selling celebrity chefs like Michel Roux, Gordon Ramsay and the incomparable Middle Eastern experts Greg and Lucy Malouf, we publish books that inspire. Megan Hess's iconic illustrations headline our fashion list, whilst Kit Kemp and Tricia Guild represent the quality and originality of our interiors and design programme. Life coach Domonique Bertolucci's collection of wellbeing books have delighted readers and made us one of Australia's most successful gift publishers.

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