



TINGE OF MAROON: (From left) Marion Grasby, Devon Headland and Sharnee Rawson are in the Top 24.

Skye's the limit for Queensland cooks

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A CARPENTER, a former journalist, a DJ and a law student make up the serve of Queenslanders who have made it through to the Top 24 of *MasterChef Australia* this year.

And according to judge Matt Preston, it is the DJ, Skye Craig, who is the pick of the crop.

"Skye should make it into the top eight of the competition," he predicted.

"She has the skills, a rare plating ability when it fires and some ideas that can be both quirky and delicious."

Brisbane-based Skye, who works mostly as a graphic artist, was one of three locals to make it through last night's final challenges to reduce this year's 50 competitors into the Top 24.

Joining the 35-year-old were Gold Coast builder Devon Headland and 21-year-old Brisbane law student Sharnee Rawson.

Former ABC Radio Brisbane journalist Marion Grasby, 27, earned her *MasterChef* Top 24 apron in Thursday night's episode.

Preston warned that Skye had better watch out for Marion.

"Her food knowledge combined with her ability in the kitchen makes her a potent threat to the dreams of all the other contestants," he said.

"On her day Marion can come up with some quite extraordinary dishes of great deliciousness. She reckons she can't cook desserts but we reckon she's foxing!"

He also praised Sharnee as "one of the natural cooks in the competition with a flair for desserts".

Fellow judge Gary Mehigan said Devon would have to step up.

"(He's) big, handsome and a bit of a softy – that's what the girls tell me," Mehigan joked.

