

## Virgin Blue plays it fair

Virgin Blue has become the first international carrier in Australia to offer organic and fairtrade certified tea at the airline's Melbourne, Sydney and Brisbane lounges. Passengers will now have access to several varieties of Hampstead Tea, which is both organic and fair-trade certified. Distributor Sandy Abram of First Ray congratulated Virgin Blue for its decision adding "By selecting the Hampstead Tea range Virgin Blue guests will not only get to experience a quality tea and herbal infusion that tastes sensational but they can enjoy their tea knowing it has come from socially and ethically responsible sources which means a brighter

future for many farmers, families and communities in developing countries"

## Saving our seafood

Australians are in danger of loving seafood to death, with high consumer demand and destructive fishing methods combining to push some common species to the brink of extinction according to the authors of the recently released *Sustainable Seafood Guide*.

Compiled by the Australian Marine Conservation Society (AMCS), the second edition of the guide notes that species such as deep sea perch, silver trevally and broadbill swordfish are all under threat and 30 new species have been added to the endangered list since the first edition.