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## **A Fresh New Chef at Pacific Crest Grill**

*Tahoe Chef David Lambert Signs On as Executive Chef at Pacific Crest Grill*

David Lambert, executive chef at Pacific Crest Grill is an established, local chef whose culinary style and philosophy fit perfectly with Pacific Crest's commitment to fresh, seasonal and sustainable cuisine.

Lambert was formerly the executive chef at Sierra Vista, a lakeside restaurant that recently closed its doors. Lambert was on board for the full eight years Sierra Vista served as one of Tahoe City's favorite restaurants.

A native of Sacramento, Lambert has been cooking for more than 20 years. Lambert has a diverse background including management experience with chain restaurants such as Sbarro's and Pizzeria Uno, to a five-year stint with nearby Rainbow Lodge, and even some course work at the CIA (Culinary Institute of America) in New York to reinforce the skills he acquired from real-life experience. Upon returning from New York in 1993, Lambert inquired about a summer job at the well-regarded Mendocino restaurant, Café Beaujolais, which turned into a five-year commitment and experience with one of California's most renowned restaurants.

Lambert brings much enthusiasm to his role at Pacific Crest and relishes the opportunity to work with an establishment whose philosophy is built on providing sustainable, local and organic foods. Pacific Crest takes advantage of using local purveyors and local farms for produce, beef and cheeses and purchases regional or sustainable varieties of fish, as well.

"The quality of food you bring in the back door makes it easy to put out good food to the customer," said Lambert.

Lambert also enjoys working with seasonal dishes and playing around with specials on a regular basis. The menu will reflect items with ingredients that change with the seasons.

Destined for the food industry, Lambert's work is truly his passion. "Food is one of the pleasures of life," explains Lambert. "I enjoy it. I couldn't imagine denying myself the flavors."

On occasion, when Lambert isn't in the kitchen, he might be seen participating in open mic night, Wednesday's in the Bar of America, playing on the drums.

Pacific Crest Grill captivates palettes with upscale comfort food accented by a taste of the Mediterranean. Dinner at Pacific Crest Restaurant is served nightly from 5:30 p.m. to close, lunch is served Monday through Friday from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. and brunch is served from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Reservations are recommended. Pacific Crest Grill & Bar of America is located at 10042 Donner Pass Road, in historic downtown Truckee. For reservations, call Pacific Crest Restaurant at 530.587.2626.

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