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HMSHost Culinary Leader Chef Jeff Steelman Judges TNT's Hit Cooking Show *On The Menu* with Sammy Hagar, Emeril Lagasse, and Ty Pennington
Winning dish to be featured in Sammy's Beach Bar & Grill Airport Restaurants



On The Menu judging and host panel, Episode 7, Sammy's Beach Bar & Grill. From left to right: Sammy Hagar, Emeril Lagasse, Jeff Steelman, Ty Pennington.

BETHESDA, MD — The culinary mastermind behind so much of the dining innovation found in airports today, **Chef Jeff Steelman** of global restaurateur [HMSHost](http://HMSHost.com), appeared as a judge on **TNT's** revolutionary new cooking show [On The Menu](http://OnTheMenu.com) on Friday, November 14, 2014. Fellow judges included celebrity **Chef Emeril Lagasse** and rock & roll legend, restaurateur, and HMSHost partner **Sammy Hagar**. Hosted by **Ty Pennington**, *On The Menu* is a cooking competition reality show where passionate, everyday cooks go head-to-head for the chance to have their creation featured on the menu of a different select restaurant represented on each episode. The winning dish appears on the menu of the participating restaurant beginning the day after the related episode airs, and continues for 60 days.

Sammy's Beach Bar & Grill, by Sammy Hagar and HMShost, was featured on the November 14th episode of *On The Menu*. The winning dish, a Shrimp Enchilada Stack, was prepared by Tamara Coleman. Beginning on November 15th, the dish will be served at the four airport locations in which Sammy's Beach Bar & Grill operates, including:

- Cleveland Hopkins International Airport
- Las Vegas International Airport
- John F. Kennedy International Airport
- Kahului International Airport

"Being a judge on TNT's *On The Menu* was an absolute blast and is unlike anything HMShost has done before. It was an honor to judge with Chef Emeril and our partner Sammy Hagar, and I can't wait to see the dish being served to travelers visiting Sammy's in the airports," said HMShost Vice President of Culinary Jeff Steelman. "Overall, I was very impressed by the culinary talent displayed by the cooks, and the winning dish is perfect for airport travelers because it has amazing flavor and the portion size is just right."

The addition of this sensational new culinary creation aligns with the elevated standards of airport dining pioneered by HMShost, reestablishing airports as dining destinations with serious eats.

"The dish was absolutely delicious and fits perfectly into our existing menu, can't wait for the fans to taste it," said Sammy Hagar.

Sammy's Beach Bar & Grill is a celebration of great food and music and has the ambiance of a beach vacation mixed with a dash of rock 'n' roll energy. The eclectic décor of the airport restaurants features guitars, surfboards, and music memorabilia. The restaurants don't just look bright— so does the menu, with recipes by some of Sammy's favorite friends and celebrity chefs. Sammy Hagar also donates a portion of his profits from these restaurants to food banks and children's charities through his Hagar Family Foundation.

In addition to Sammy's Beach Bar & Grill at the airports, guests can also find the winning dish at Sammy's streetside locations:

- Sammy's Island Bar & Grill in Roseville, CA
- Cabo Wabo Cantina in Cabo San Lucas, MX
- Cabo Wabo Cantina in Las Vegas, NV
- Cabo Wabo Cantina in Lake Tahoe, CA
- Cabo Wabo Cantina in Hollywood, CA

On the Menu is produced by United Artists Media Group (an MGM company). Dean Houser serves as executive producer along with United Artist Media Group Chief Executive Officer Mark Burnett.

About HMShost

Global restaurateur [HMShost](http://www.HMShost.com) is a world leader in creating dining for travel venues. HMShost operates in more than 100 airports around the globe, including the 20 busiest airports in North America. The Company has annual sales in excess of \$2.7 billion and employs more than 30,000 sales associates worldwide. HMShost is a part of Autogrill Group, the world's leading provider of food & beverage services for people on the move. With sales of around €4 billion in 2013, the Group operates in 30 countries and employs some 56,000 people. It manages approximately 4,700 stores in over 1,000 locations worldwide. Visit www.HMShost.com for more information. We can also be found on Facebook at [fb.com/HMShost](https://www.facebook.com/HMShost) and on Twitter at [@HMShost](https://twitter.com/HMShost).

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