

## David R. Evans Biography

For over 25 years Chef David has been working in the Food and Hospitality industry. He was born in Melbourne, Australia after traveling the world he settled in Canada with his wife in 1994. Chef David and his wife, Nicole are the proud parents of two lovely children, Lily and Jack. His educational qualifications include an apprenticeship in Cookery and Diploma in Catering Management.

Through his extensive travels throughout Asia and work experiences in Europe, Chef David has been known to incorporate the unique flavours of those regions into his cooking.

While in Canada, Chef David was able to develop and strengthen his talents as a chef by working as the Sous Chef at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre; Chef de Partie at Centro Restaurant, Toronto; Owner/Chef of Pepperberries Bistro in Brooklin, Ontario; and Executive Chef of Royal Ashburn Golf Club, Ashburn, Ontario. Most recently, Chef David joined the Gordon Food Service family as the Corporate Chef. In this role, Chef will have the chance to hone and refine his skills even further by acting as a consultant to the independent restaurateur as well as major chains, providing market data information, as well as creative and unique culinary creations through product development and menu assistance.

One of Chef David's greatest accomplishments was in the founding of the company, Bush Dreams. Established in 1996, Chef pioneered the introduction of the unique flavours of Native Australian Herbs and Spices into the Canadian and US markets. Longing to return to the kitchen, Chef sold Bush Dreams in 2001. Six years later, Bush Dreams continues to supply Australian products to some of North America's leading Chefs and restaurants.

Chef David has been a guest on CBC Morning Radio in Toronto with Andy Barry and CBC National Food Critic Don Genovo. His television appearances include Breakfast Television in Toronto, Christine Cushing Live, Canada AM, Balance TV and Canadian Living TV. The products he has developed have also been featured in Canadian House and Home and the LCBO Food and Drink Magazine. Chef David has been featured as one of the guest Chefs at the Spirit of Hospitality events held in Toronto. David has also appeared as a guest lecturer at culinary institutions and private cooking schools throughout Canada and is committed to education and development in the industry.