

HB's On The Gulf Captures Wine Spectator's "Award of Excellence"

NAPLES, Fla. (June 2006) - HB's on the Gulf, the beachfront restaurant at The Naples Beach Hotel & Golf Club, has captured the prestigious "Award of Excellence" from Wine Spectator magazine. This marks the second consecutive year that the popular restaurant has won the award, according to Jim Anderson, the resort's food & beverage director.

The "Award of Excellence" is given to restaurants in recognition of their commitment to a fine wine list, with a sufficient selection of better producers along with a thematic match to the menu in both price and style. Wine lists need to be extensive, and typically offer at least 80 selections. HB's on the Gulf's wine list features more than 120 selections, including a collection of 1997 vintage California Cabernets and a 4-year vertical of Penfolds Grange. This year's award winners will be listed in the August issue of Wine Spectator.

"We're very pleased that HB's is recognized in this way," said Anderson. "It shows that the restaurant offers an impressive selection of wines to enjoy with the delicious cuisine."

Specializing in fresh regional seafood, great steaks and American cuisine, HB's on the Gulf is open daily for lunch and dinner, with indoor dining and an outdoor patio. It is consistently recognized as one of Southwest Florida's best places to view a sunset.

The Naples Beach Hotel & Golf Club, owned and operated by the Watkins family for 60 years, is Southwest Florida's only beachfront resort to feature an on-site championship golf course, world-class spa, and award-winning tennis center. The resort is located at 851 Gulf Shore Blvd. North in Naples.

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