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Four Flamingos, A Richard Blais Florida Kitchen

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our Flamingos, A Richard Blais Florida Kitchen, is a tropical oasis inside Orlando's Hyatt Regency Grand Cypress Resort. There, the Top Chef: All-Stars winner, alongside his Chef de Cuisine, Shelby Farrell, have created a Michelin Plate-winning restaurant that blends Chef Blais' distinctive culinary style and expertise in molecular gastronomy with various cultures from the Americas in a vintage-inspired setting.

The seafood-forward menu at Four Flamingos (a reference to the four species of the bird that inhabit Florida) is a combination of Gulf Coast, Caribbean, Central American, and South American cuisines. Another influence on the menu is Chef Farrell's Mississippi background. Her Gulf Coast heritage and culinary experience provide a well of practical knowledge, and distinct flavors that the restaurant draws from.

The restaurant sources the majority of its seafood from Samuels Seafood

Company. A standout item on the menu is a Tiradito-style grouper with lemongrass leche, bubu arare rice crackers, and sweet potatoes. As is standard for Tiradito (a Peruvian take on sashimi), this dish is served raw with a spicy citrus sauce. Another noteworthy dish on the menu is the 'Neptune cut' swordfish prime rib. This 16oz swordfish steak is basted in butter, seasoned with sea salt, and flavored with black lime for a hint of citrus flavor, resulting in a swordfish dish that is crispy on the outside and juicy on the inside. Another highly popular item: the blackened ahi tuna with asparagus and a yuzu remoulade.

The interior of Four Flamingos is based on a classic Floridian bungalow home. Inside, the restaurant has an immersive open kitchen that allows patrons to see the food being prepared. Overall, the restaurant has a breezy, tropical atmosphere that complements its dreamy, tropical cuisine.





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