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**Maison Blanche Tops The Nation Restaurant News' Cool Plates for 2011
Editors choice: Chef Jose Martinez's Magnolia Roasted Sea Bass**

January 11, 2012, Longboat Key Florida – Chef Jose Martinez, a Michelin Star winner, James Beard Nominee for Best Chef (South), and proprietor of Maison Blanche, rated by ZAGAT® 2012 as the best restaurant on Longboat Key, announced today that [Nation Restaurant News](#) and editor Bret Thorn selected his Magnolia Roasted Sea Bass as 1 of the [top 5 Cool Plates](#) featured in the industry trade [Cool Plates](#) feature for 2011.

In January 2011, NRN.com introduced [Cool Plates](#), as a weekly feature to showcase menu items from restaurants across the country that initiated trends, took fresh looks at standard menu items, or offered clever ideas to other chefs and restaurateurs.

The showcase feature is curated by [Bret Thorn](#), food editor for Nation's Restaurant News, who selects dishes from across the country he deems inspired and creative.

About Maison Blanche

Praised by foodies and visitors as Sarasota's best, the chef has a Michelin Star for his Paris restaurant, is a James Beard Foundation nominee for Best Chef (South), a Longboat Key leading Zagat food rating of 27 and a 96% of positive survey responders. The room is designed by award winning architect, Franck Hammoutene in subtle homage to American mid-century in striking contemporary white minimalism accented by gray leather seating. The wine list has an award of excellence and the dining room and staff is overseen by wife Victoria who, with impeccable grace and care, attends to every detail, matching her husband's passion for perfection. Maison Blanche offers progressive French cuisine, a savory balance of classical French cookery with modern American influences. Your Maison Blanche occasion is brought to life in a sophisticated menu featuring "Farm & Field to Table" local ingredients as available. Your Maison Blanche dinner is a truly memorable experience. Dining Style: Casual Elegant, Cuisine: French, Seafood, Website: www.themaisonblanche.com Phone: (941) 383-8088, offering Dinner: Tuesday - Sunday: 5:30pm - 9:30pm. Maison Blanche provides free and ample self parking, in a private lot for all our diners.

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