



## Coraline's Beau Rivage Resort & Casino

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A new addition to Beau Rivage Resort & Casino has introduced a fine dining seafood concept to the Mississippi waterfront; named Coraline's, the venue draws on its location for a gulf-to-table offer.

"Coraline's pays homage to the Gulf of Mexico," says Executive Chef Kristian Wade, who devised the menu along with fellow Executive Chef Austin Dedeaux. "Unmistakably Southern, welcoming and refined, it personifies traditional Cajun and Creole-inspired recipes presented with a modern hometown twist."

Locally-sourced ingredients are used to create an array of seafood-centric dishes, ranging from gumbo and crawfish vol-au-vent, to gulf shrimp served with Creole ranch and a West Indies crab salad. Signatures include Snapper Coraline and seasonal catch-of-the-day specials, and there's also an oyster bar offering front-row views of shucking and New Orleans-style char-grilling.

The venue has been brought to life by Los Angeles-based Avenue Interior Design, who

opted for a scheme rooted in the aesthetic of New Orleans' French Quarter. An entrance clad in green marble leads to a trellis-covered alley lined with greenery and New Orleans-inspired artwork, setting the scene for the main dining room. "It was imperative to create a unique identity that didn't overshadow the complexity of the cuisine," explains Andrea DeRosa, the studio's co-founder. "Colour was used to create an immediate connection with the landscape. We decided to explore colours not traditionally associated with the coast, but rather the surrounding terrain," she continues, alluding to a palette of dark greens and earthy browns.

Accompanying checkered mosaic flooring and a mirrored back bar, further design details include interior archways, custom sconces and a bold handpainted floral mural on the ceiling. Seating options range from tall stools at the marble bar to cosy curved booths; set against vast arched windows, the nooks provide views of the waterfront, allowing guests to gaze at the gulf as they tuck in to all that it offers.