

## A BIG FISH STORY REALIZED BY LOCAL SOUS CHEF

*First Run of Copper River Salmon Comes to Tulalip Resort Casino*



*Left: BlackFish's Sous Chef David Buchanan holds Copper River Salmon aboard Pacific Seafood's fishing vessel  
Right: Buchanan showing off a Copper River King Salmon*

**TULALIP, Wash. – (May 27, 2009)** – Local Sous Chef David Buchanan recently enjoyed a rare opportunity to spend three days on a fishing vessel five miles from the mouth of the Copper River. His objective to catch and offer his patrons the first run of Alaska's elusive Copper River Salmon was realized as he returned to Tulalip Resort Casino with a full case of the coveted delicacy. The first run of Copper River Salmon is now available at Tulalip Bay, the property's exceptional dining restaurant, and BlackFish Wild Salmon Grill & Bar, which is known for its traditional tribal technique of cooking the salmon skewered onto Ironwood sticks over an open Alderwood fire.

"I jumped at this fishing opportunity," said David Buchanan. "Any restaurant would be lucky to have the ice packed salmon shipped from Alaska, bringing it freshly caught off the boat to serve directly to my guests is truly an honor."

Copper River Salmon is considered the best salmon of the year for its superior taste and nutritional value. The Copper River's strong current, low temperatures and the great lengths the fish swim to spawn allow the fish to develop a higher fat content. This fat content creates an oilier and tastier fish packed with high amounts of Omega-3 fatty acids, which contribute to a healthy heart.

For more information about the Copper River Salmon featured at Blackfish Wild Salmon Grill & Bar and Tulalip Bay, visit <http://www.tulalipresort.com>.

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### **About Tulalip Resort Casino**

With the opening of its new luxury hotel, Tulalip Resort Casino has become the largest and most distinctive meeting, gaming, dining, entertainment and shopping destination in Washington State. What began with a bingo hall established by the Tulalip Tribes in 1983, has evolved into a world-class resort destination which includes: the region's "#1 Place for Fun" Tulalip Casino with 192,000 square feet of gaming; six dining venues headlined by the exceptional Tulalip Bay restaurant; the intimate Canoes Cabaret; the 3,000-seat Tulalip Amphitheatre, a leading entertainment venue; and Seattle Premium Outlets, featuring more than 110 name brand retail discount outlets. The crown jewel of Tulalip Resort Casino is its new luxury hotel featuring 370 guestrooms and suites, as well as premier meeting, convention and wedding space, and an elegant, 14,000 square foot, full-service spa. Surrounded by the Cascade Mountains and Puget Sound, Tulalip Resort Casino is situated on 83 acres within the municipality of Quil Ceda Village on the Tulalip Indian Reservation. Tulalip Resort Casino is conveniently located between Seattle and Vancouver, B.C. just off Interstate-5 at exit 200 and is an enterprise of the Tulalip Tribes. For reservations please call (866) 716-7162 or visit [www.tulalipresort.com](http://www.tulalipresort.com).

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