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August Benihana Chef's Special

Hibachi Steak & Chicken for Two and Hibachi Mango Salmon for One

MIAMI, August 1, 2011 – Benihana Inc. (NASDAQ: BNHNA; BNHN), the nation's leading operator of Japanese theme and sushi restaurants, has announced the August Chef's Special, *Hibachi Steak & Chicken for Two*, a five-course feast for only \$45 and *Hibachi Mango Salmon for One*, five courses for just \$21.

Whether planning a summer getaway or a simple "staycation," Benihana is the perfect location for a family-friendly dinner out. Two guests can enjoy this Benihana teppanyaki treat of hibachi steak and chicken, Benihana onion soup, Benihana salad, hibachi shrimp appetizer, mushrooms, hibachi vegetables, homemade dipping sauces, steamed rice and Japanese hot green tea, a five-course meal for just \$45 (tax and gratuity excluded). For solo diners, the hibachi mango salmon special is paired with sweet potatoes and vegetables served with a delicious Asian inspired mango salsa, Benihana onion soup, Benihana salad, hibachi shrimp appetizer, homemade dipping sauces, steamed rice and Japanese hot green tea, a five-course meal for only \$21 (tax and gratuity excluded).

Enjoy either of the August Chef's Specials with one of Benihana's specialty drinks such as the refreshing Coconut Mojito or Tokyo Peach. Or, try the *Hibachi Steak & Chicken for Two* paired with a glass of Estancia Pinot Noir.

Both Chef's Specials are available throughout the entire month of August. The *Hibachi Steak & Chicken for Two* will be offered at all Benihana restaurants in the United States with the exception of Little Rock and Hawaii. The *Hibachi Mango Salmon for One* is available in select locations only. Please contact your local Benihana for details.

For more information about the August Chef's Special or to find a Benihana location, visit www.benihana.com.

About Benihana

Headquartered in Miami, Benihana Inc. (NASDAQ GS: BNHN, BNHNA) is the nation's leading operator of Japanese theme and sushi restaurants with 96 restaurants nationwide, including 63 Benihana restaurants, eight Haru sushi restaurants, and 25 RA Sushi restaurants. In addition, 20 franchised Benihana restaurants are operating in the United States, Latin America and the Caribbean. To learn more about Benihana Inc. and its three restaurant concepts, please view the corporate video at www.benihana.com/about/video.

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