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**Unique Holiday Gift Idea: “Be The Chef” Package at Benihana  
Coral Gables, Fort Lauderdale and Miami Beach  
Puts That Special Someone Front and Center**

**MIAMI, Fla. (November 6, 2008)** – This season’s most unique gift transforms recipients into steak-flipping, knife-wielding entertaining chefs, preparing dinner for family and friends under the watchful eye of a Benihana master chef. The “Be The Chef” package at Benihana’s Coral Gables, Fort Lauderdale and Miami Beach restaurants clearly puts that special someone front and center and includes the training they’ll need to impress an audience of adoring fans.

“If you’re looking for a unique gift, our ‘Be The Chef’ package is lots of fun and offers great food for the whole family,” said Shuntaro Morishita, Regional Manager of Benihana.

The “Be The Chef” package includes personal training on the intricate combination of knife and tabletop hibachi cooking skills made famous over the past 44 years by Benihana restaurants, a signature Benihana chef hat and apron, a Polaroid photo, dinner for four and gratuity. Dinner includes Benihana’s famous tender steak, succulent shrimp, salad, soup, shrimp appetizer, hibachi vegetables, fried rice and green tea, all for just \$140 plus tax. Additional guests can be added for only \$35 per person.

Training classes and “Be The Chef” dinner performance dates will be scheduled with the restaurant following purchase.

The “Be The Chef” gift package can be purchased at:

- Benihana Coral Gables  
242 Miracle Mile  
305-567-2000

- Benihana Fort Lauderdale  
276 Commercial Blvd.  
Lauderdale-by-the-Sea  
954-776-0111

- more -

- Benihana Miami Beach  
1665 NE 79 Street Causeway  
North Bay Village  
305-866-2768

**About Benihana**

Benihana Inc. (NASDAQ GS: BNHN and BNHNA) operates 60 Benihana teppanyaki restaurants, nine Haru restaurants, and twenty-one RA Sushi restaurants. Under development at present are fourteen restaurants: eight Benihana teppanyaki restaurants and six RA Sushi restaurants. In addition, nineteen franchised Benihana teppanyaki restaurants are operating in the U.S., Latin America and the Caribbean.

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