



BRYAN SMITH
Executive Chef, Casanova Restaurant



Executive Chef Bryan Smith found his calling to cuisine as a young boy, cooking with his grandmother who taught him to “Always play with your food” and also spent his early years working on his father’s farm. Bryan embraced the culinary world with passion, working in restaurants while completing his formal education at the renowned California Culinary Academy. His work at the Cliff-House in San Francisco immersed him in a vast network of culinary friends, and provided him with opportunities to work amongst some of San Francisco’s most talented chefs. Bryan continued to grow in creativity and skill as a private chef and has since worked at the San Francisco Zoo, The Mountain Terrace in Woodside and most recently the Bourbon and Beef in Oakland before joining Casanova Carmel in 2016. Chef Bryan is known for redefining farm to table cuisine, fueled by his heritage.