



Beers Designs Two Bahamian F&B Venues

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Dune gets revamp, Sip Sip to debut this fall

Jeffrey Beers Intl. (JBI) has been busy in the Bahamas, with two F&B projects. The New York-based design firm recently took the wraps off its renovations of Dune, chef Jean Georges Vongerichten's French-Asian restaurant at the 105-key One & Only Ocean Club resort in Nassau. In addition, the firm is teaming with Bahamian architect Mark Henderson on Sip Sip's first outpost, which is slated to debut in November at The Cove, a 600-key resort that was also designed by JBI. Both properties are located on Paradise Island, which experienced a major hurricane last October.



Dune at the One & Only Ocean Club. Photo: Courtesy of Jeffrey Beers Intl. (JBI)

Following wind and water damage to Dune, the resort tapped long-time collaborator JBI to repair and reimagine the dining venue. The designers incorporated a new materials palette of dove gray Anigre wood millwork, porcelain floor tiles in a cerused wood finish, and warm gray upholstery accented with coral fabrics in abstract and geometric patterns, into the restaurant's new look. They also increased dining and lounge seating to 266 seats total. (The firm also recently renovated the resort's Hartford Wing, decking out its guest rooms and suites in hues of cerulean blue and cool turquoise set against a warm, neutral palette of ivories and creams to mimic the sea and sky.)



The terrace at Dune. Photo: Courtesy of Jeffrey Beers Intl. (JBI)

Meanwhile, Sip Sip Paradise Island will feature elements of local chef Julie Lightbourn's original restaurant on Harbour Island, integrating its signature green and blue scheme, traditional white louvers and casual director chairs. The design team has been tasked with replicating the original location's sea-facing deck, as well as its open-air, laid-back vibe.

For the patio restaurant and bar's outdoor dining area, Henderson plans to use white wood shutters, mahogany bar tops and art made from buoys salvaged from Bahamian beaches. Local artwork will also be central to the design; new pieces from many of the same artists showcased at the original restaurant will be on tap at the new venue.