



Michael Caines MBE

Chef and Restaurateur

"One of Britain's most acclaimed chefs"

Michael Caines, MBE, is a truly original British chef, who has created innovative and original dishes which have earned him two Michelin stars and numerous awards and accolades. Michael's career almost ended abruptly when he was involved in a serious car accident which required his right arm to be amputated.

TOPICS:

- Cooking Demonstrations
- Diversity and Inclusion
- Overcoming Adversity
- Inspiration
- Building a Business

LANGUAGES:

He presents in English.

PUBLICATIONS:

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IN DETAIL:

Michael worked at the Grosvenor House Hotel, Park Lane in London, followed by 3 years working under his mentor Raymond Blanc at Manoir aux Quat'Saisons. He then moved to France to study under Bernard Loiseau in Saulieu and Joël Robuchon in Paris. On his return to Britain he assumed the role of head chef at Gidleigh Park. At just twenty-five years old this was a huge opportunity for Michael, although just two months into the job he lost his right arm following a car accident. However, rather than letting this hold him back, Michael was at Gidleigh Park working full-time in the kitchen after just four weeks. As an adopted child, he supports a number of local agencies and amputee initiatives and charities. He is a Patron of 'Families for Children Trust', a voluntary adoption agency.

WHAT HE OFFERS YOU:

Michael knows first-hand the importance of creating working environments that are accessible to disabled workers. It is more than 20 years ago that he lost his right arm in a car accident. Michael initially feared he wouldn't be able to cook again, but the support and encouragement from his team helped him back into the kitchen, where he went on to earn his second Michelin star.

HOW HE PRESENTS:

Michael Caines has overcome disability to become Britain's top chef. His presentations are moving and incredibly inspirational as he shows audiences what it is possible to achieve if you have the drive and determination.