Benjamin Berg

General Manager
Houston

Benjamin Berg began his career in the hospitality industry by working at bars and restaurants in New Orleans while attending Tulane University. Upon graduation, he accepted a position with Garrett Hotel Group in Lake Placid, New York, working his way up from bellman to assistant food and beverage manager. Berg's passion for hospitality led to an offer at the acclaimed Lake Placid Lodge, as well as the Point in Saranac Lake—voted No. 1 small hotel in the U.S. by *Conde Nast*—and the Wilcox Inn in Aiken, South Carolina.

While earning his master of hospitality management at Cornell University, Berg made his first connection with Smith & Wollensky. It was during an internship at Maloney & Porcelli, the previous owner of the original Smith & Wollensky, that Berg's passion for true hospitality and fine dining developed.

When Berg graduated, Smith & Wollensky recognized his motivation and talent, inviting him to be floor manager at the Las Vegas location. Because of his attention to every detail and drive for perfection, Berg was the perfect candidate to lead Smith & Wollensky's Houston team as general manager since 2011. Berg and his team certainly practice quality Texas-style hospitality and enjoy every moment with their guests.

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