**THE RETURN OF COOKING CHANNEL’S *BEACH BITES WITH KATIE LEE***

**MAKES WAVES WITH NEW DESTINATIONS**

***New Season Premieres Thursday, June 7th at 10pm ET/7pm PT***

**NEW YORK – April 26, 2018 –** Beginning on Thursday, June 7th at 10pm ET/7pm PT, **Katie Lee** is diving in to the ultimate gourmet getaway with new surfside destinations serving up scenic views and mouthwatering meals on the return of Cooking Channel’s *Beach Bites with Katie Lee.* Throughout this culinary adventure, Lee follows her taste buds to delicious locations in the Bahamas, California, the Gulf Coast of Mississippi and South Carolina, getting a first-hand look at how local chefs dish out regional flavors, alongside beautiful waterside backdrops.

"Katie Lee’s appetite for adventure, love for beaches, and passion for uncovering unique eateries wherever she travels is palpable. It makes viewers feel like they are right there with her seeing and tasting everything each destination has to offer,” said Courtney White, Executive Vice President, Programming, Food Network and HGTV.

Each of the six half-hour long episodes are full of sun, sand and surf, as Katie beach hops in search of the finest fare served up on shores near and far. From the freshest conch salad in the Bahamas, to Mexican-inspired carnitas nachos on California’s Catalina Island, to low country fried chicken and shrimp off the coast of South Carolina, Katie will taste it all, with time to spare for cocktails and sweet treats.

On the premiere episode, Katie visits the Gulf Coast of Mississippi, an emerging culinary hot spot for eclectic, diverse restaurants, where there is great food around every corner. In the historic beach town Biloxi, Katie chows down on gumbo with crab straight out of the local waters. There, she also fishes for the freshest seafood and samples amazing soul food. She also visits Ocean Springs for some of the best barbeque ribs below the Mason Dixon Line. To round out a perfect culinary tour of the Mississippi Coast, Katie stops for a cup of chicory coffee, homemade buttery biscuits and refreshing ice pops.

For more of Katie Lee’s favorite beach snacks and tips for finding local beachside gems, visit [CookingChannelTV.com/BeachBites](https://www.cookingchanneltv.com/beachbites) for exclusive videos. Fans can also learn how to host the perfect summer party, and share their favorite tasty travels on social media using #BeachBites.

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