



## 5280 CHEF'S PROFILE



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From classic Colorado fare to contemporary regional cuisine, this roster of talented and innovative chefs make their mark on Denver's dining scene creating scrumptious dishes and distinctive menus. Meet the masters who continue to heat things up in the kitchen at Denver's buzz-worthy restaurants.

## The Cherry Tomato

### Chef Tom Felese

Tom Felese's earliest memories involve his grandmother cooking Sunday dinner for the family. Born in southern Italy, she arrived in New York with a husband and four children, bringing with her the unmistakable tradition of cooking that features the freshest ingredients and slowly simmering sauces that are made with love and care. This tradition continues today at Cherry Tomato, where Tom combines all the knowledge from his years studying at the Culinary Institute of America with the recipes his grandmother brought from Italy.

Tom and Wendy Felese make dinner at the Cherry Tomato feel like eating dinner with a large and loving family. The intimate setting serves as an inviting backdrop to a meal featuring great food and unique wines from every region of Italy. Warm, friendly, and professional service is one of the landmarks of the Cherry Tomato.

For the last nine years, the Cherry Tomato has been a place of true warmth and enjoyment. It's real — real Italian food, cooked with love and care by a real Italian chef.



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