



Mark Porter
Vice President, Brand Operations

Mark Porter was named Vice President of Operations for Ruth's Chris Steak House in March 2024. In this role, Mark is responsible for the operation of more than 85 company-owned restaurants, ensuring that the Ruth's Chris team provides extraordinary guest experiences while achieving business results. He has an intense passion for guest hospitality, and his people-first approach has helped the brand grow and create opportunities for its next leaders.

Mark started his career with Ruth's Chris in 2000 as Assistant General Manager in Tampa, FL before being promoted to General Manager in Palm Desert, CA. In 2015, he became Regional Vice President for 11 restaurants in Tennessee and across the southwestern United States.

Prior to Ruth's Chris, Mark worked as a General Manager for Logan's Roadhouse. He holds a bachelor's degree in landscape architecture from the University of Kentucky.

Founded by Ruth Fertel in New Orleans, Louisiana, Ruth's Chris Steak House is well-known for its signature steaks served on 500-degree sizzling plates. The restaurant's focus on offering the best service and providing an unmatched level of hospitality has persevered since the first Ruth's Chris opened in 1965.

Ruth's Chris is part of the Darden family of restaurants. Darden owns and operates more than 2,000 Olive Garden, LongHorn Steakhouse, Yard House, Ruth's Chris Steak House, Cheddar's Scratch Kitchen, The Capital Grille, Seasons 52, Eddie V's and Bahama Breeze restaurants in North America.