



# Andrea Griffith



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Executive Chef  
Pursell Farms  
Sylacauga, Ala.

*Creating Everyday Condiments,  
Sauces and Beverages from  
Your Harvest*

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Since 2012, Chef Andrea Griffith has been the Executive Chef of Pursell Farms, which includes FarmLinks Golf Club, in Sylacauga, Ala. The popular leisure resort property grew out of the Sylacauga Fertilizer Company and has been owned by the Pursell family for three generations.

At Pursell Farms, Chef Griffith has directed the development of a strong "Farm to Fork" program, with just about everything that's served on the property also grown on site, and what's not used is sold at local farm markets.

Prior to joining Pursell Farms, Chef Griffith was Executive Chef at the Primland resort in Meadows of Dan, Va., where she helped to successfully open a new lodge with two new restaurants.

From 2004 to 2009, Chef Griffith progressed from Sous Chef to Executive Sous Chef to Executive Chef at the Greenbrier Sporting Club in White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., where she successfully opened three new dining venues from the ground up. She moved to the Sporting Club after being an Apprentice Chef for four years at the Greenbrier Resort, where she worked and trained under Master Chef Peter Timmins and Olympic Chef Richard Rosendale. She graduated from her apprenticeship with eight silver medals and one bronze medal in all hot, cold and ice-carving categories.

After graduating as an honor student from the Art Institute of Philadelphia with an Associate in Applied Science Degree in Culinary Arts, Chef Griffith began her career as an Assistant Pastry Chef at the Circa restaurant in Philadelphia, and then spent two years as a Junior Sous Chef at the Hotel Pattee in Perry, Iowa. She has continued to serve as the on-property pastry chef at both Primland and Pursell Farms, preparing all desserts for all outlets.

Chef Griffith was featured in a "Chef to Chef" interview article in the July 2016 issue of *Club & Resort Business* ("The Power of the Push," <http://clubandresortbusiness.com/2016/07/the-power-of-the-push/>).