

Eric Ripert Quotes

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The importance of reading, for me, is that it allows you to dream.

~Eric Ripert

America is such a melting pot, I'm not sure if roast chicken is the classic comfort food for everybody.

~Eric Ripert

For me, food is about memories, feelings, emotions, and so is Le Bernardin, and that's why it's not just a restaurant.

~Eric Ripert

In a professional kitchen, the idea is to have your cooks not moving much while they're cooking. You want them to stay in the same spot.

~Eric Ripert

My New Year's resolution is to cut my diet sodas down to two cans a day!

~Eric Ripert

I love garlic, and I use it often.

~Eric Ripert

I don't like it when I go to a restaurant and I'm lectured from the menu.

~Eric Ripert

If I go to a nightclub, even if the music is good, if the sound system is not, I don't stay.

~Eric Ripert

Obviously California is fantastic in terms of produce, vegetables.

~Eric Ripert

Well, cooking starts with shopping. If the ingredients are not good, you don't do it. Just change your mind and do something else.

~Eric Ripert

The fish is the star of the plate.

~Eric Ripert

I love eggs. When it's the season of truffles, scrambled eggs with truffles, and I'm happy. I'm smiling like that.

~Eric Ripert

I am a Buddhist, therefore I should not be collecting anything - however, I have a collection of Buddhas. I have a lot of them.

~Eric Ripert

I come from a family of farmers on both sides of my family.

~Eric Ripert

California is lucky, the East Coast is lucky because we get great seafood and a lot of produce from Florida, locally in good weather, but in the winter we have to buy it.

~Eric Ripert

My mother and my grandmother would make an apple tart in different styles, and I had one per day. Every day I would eat one full apple tart.

~Eric Ripert

I have more eating memories than cooking memories and many memories of being in the kitchen - I was always attracted to the kitchen - but nobody ever wanted me to touch anything.

~Eric Ripert

In New York there used to be some very good clubs with amazing sound systems. Techno was part of the process.

~Eric Ripert

I am an audiophile. It's almost like a virus. I'm completely crazy about the quality of sound. It's interesting and painful at the same time; you have to really spend a lot of money on the equipment.

~Eric Ripert

I'm very bad, but I like to dance.

~Eric Ripert

When I realized, "Hm, I'm not that good at all. It will take me weeks, maybe months, to master the 32 yolks." When I did, it was a turning point in my career.

~Eric Ripert

Today, because I want to be gentle on my back, I listen to jazz.

~Eric Ripert

At 15, I had to choose a vocational school, and I was delighted, of course, to go to culinary school. But learning the basics was not as exciting as being the chef I am today.

~Eric Ripert

Just walking in the kitchen (and we have three kitchens at Le Bernardin), I exercise quite a lot. I also walk in Central Park for 50 minutes from my house to Le Bernardin every day, rain, shine, snow.

~Eric Ripert

When you are 25, 30, you know, you have no responsibility, no mortgage, no kids, no retirement to think about, nothing.

~Eric Ripert

You don't become a chef to become famous.

~Eric Ripert

I had a passion for cooking, and I was a very bad student.

~Eric Ripert

When I started to work in Paris in fine dining, the passion really kicked in, and I knew that I would not, for the rest of my life, do anything else.

~Eric Ripert

Money is not necessarily, although it helps a lot for happiness, it's not necessarily the best way to be happy, to be rich, you know.

~Eric Ripert

I don't follow the food trends.

~Eric Ripert

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