



Grand River Gourmet Foods

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Grand River Gourmet Foods was founded by Becky Smollett on its ability to create and develop innovative products and continues to this day to refine this process.

Its industry debut in 2001 at the Canadian Fine Food Show in Toronto, resulted in the winning of 4 awards including First Prize for “*Best Dessert Product in Canada*” for their Chocolate Toffee Dessert Pizza. Their exciting and innovative products have consistently won awards and raves as “Best Sellers” in *Retail News* magazine.

Since that time, their products and President Becky Smollett have been featured on Breakfast Television, Cityline News, CKCO TV, The National Post and many other trade journals.

Grand River Gourmet has worked very closely with high profile retailers, such as Laura Secord, to develop and provide private label products. Grand River Gourmet products have been sold in HBC's, Zellers and Home Outfitters, Sam's Clubs, Target and many specialty shops. Their Hot Chocolate Gift Sets are sold in shops in Switzerland and Germany.

In 2007, Grand River Gourmet Foods opened a co packing division and are currently a supplier to Maple Leaf Consumer Foods.

Grand River Gourmet Foods employs Good Manufacturing Practices at both of their plants and are certified and licensed by the Natural Health Products Directorate of Health Canada. They are the only chocolate manufacturer in Canada who has gone through the rigorous procedure necessary for certification by Health Canada.

This will allow the company to focus on researching, developing and manufacturing products for the leading edge Functional Foods market.

Becky Smollett has developed several patent pending formulations utilizing chocolate as a delivery system for nutraceuticals.