

Sammy's Beach Bar & Grill
JFK International Airport, New York

Travelers in JFK's Terminal 7, coming to or from a flight aboard British Airways, can find themselves in a colorful oasis of sights, sounds and menu favorites at this new signature restaurant of Sammy Hagar, singer, guitarist and Rock and Roll Hall of Fame inductee. Sammy's offers a cool, beachside casual ambience, blended with hot neon spotlights, music memorabilia, surfboards and palm trees.

The bar, a gleaming stretch of elegant brown-gold quartz, flows in and around the restaurant like a granite wave. IFPC's Roy Wells, manager of the Stone & Granite division, personally designed and supervised on-site installation of the unique bar. Working with Independence Construction, which specializes in airport retail projects, Roy flew to JFK, created the templates that would accurately produce the design of the unique bar, flew back that night, and got started.

"It's work that has to take place under tight security," Roy said of the IFPC team's installation efforts, which he personally supervised. "We drove up with the slabs, started work at 9 at night and worked through till 6 in the morning."

The result was precisely what the restaurant client, HMS Host, was looking for. Just as important, it met Roy's exacting standards. "We used an American quartz by Cambria," he explained. "The color is 'Brownhill', with natural flecks of gold, sand and brown. It blends well with all the cool design elements in Sammy's Bar & Grill."

IFPC's Stone and Granite division has worked previously with Independence Construction on airport projects in Tampa, Raleigh and other major cities. Whatever the project or challenge, Roy Wells and IFPC are ready to come aboard and produce exciting results in natural stone.

