

# Sustainability Strategies to Protect the Planet and Empower People

At **BentoMe**, we take sustainability seriously. We believe that sustainability means protecting the environment for future generations. It also means being respectful of human rights and taking into consideration people's quality of life now and moving forward.

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A Sustainable world is possible if we all share responsibility for it. Towards that goal, **BentoMe** is committed to :

- Sourcing product from companies that provide seafood harvested in ways that protect the oceans and safeguard seafood supplies for the future
- Leading an initiative for increasing the use of more environmentally friendly packaging for our sushi products in an effort to help rid the planet of excess plastic
- Creating economic opportunities that make it possible for our franchisees and independent contractors to better provide for their families
- Researching and developing additional ways in which we can lead the movement toward greater sustainability as new processes, products and techniques become available

# PRODUCT / INGREDIENT INFORMATION

|   | Country Of Origin | Notes   | All-Natural | Non-GMO | MSC Approved               | BAP Approved | ASC Certified |
|---|-------------------|---|-------------|---------|----------------------------|--------------|---------------|
| Botan Brown Rice, No. 1 Extra Fancy, Specially Selected | USA               | Allergen-Free<br>Gluten-Free  |             | V       |                            |              |               |
| Shirakiku Medium-Grain Calrose Brown Rice               | USA               | Gluten-Free   |             | V       |                            |              |               |
| Nishiki White Rice                                      | USA               | Kosher<br>Gluten-Free   |             | V       |                            |              |               |
| Soy Sauce, Yamasa                                       | JAPAN             | Gluten-Free(<1.7% alcohol to retain freshness, may contain trace amounts of gluten)<br>No Added Colorings |             | V       |                            |              |               |
| Soy Sauce, Kikkoman                                     | JAPAN             |   |             | V       |                            |              |               |
| Inari   |                   | No Artificial Coloring  |             |         |                            |              |               |
| Pickled Ginger  | CHINA             | No MSG<br>No Aspartame<br>No Added Colorings  | V           |         |                            |              |               |
| Surimi, Shredded (Imitation Crab, Made From Pollock)    | USA               |   | V           |         | V                          |              |               |
| Surimi, stick (Imitation Crab, Made From Pollock)       | USA               |   | V           |         | V                          |              |               |
| Salmon, Norwegian                                       |                   | BRC-Certified<br>Kosher<br>No Antibiotics, ever<br>No Hormones<br>Gluten-Free                             |             | V       | V                          | V            | V             |
| Tuna  | INDONESIA         | Working Towards Using MSC Approved Tuna by August 2020  |             | V       |                            |              |               |
| Hamachi Loin (Yellowtail Amberjack)                     | JAPAN             | Farmed  |             |         | MSC-Approved Best Practice |              |               |
| Baby Shrimp   | CANADA            |   |             |         |                            | V            |               |
| Ebi Shrimp  | VIETNAM           | Farmed  |             |         |                            | V            |               |
| Tempura Shrimp  | VIETNAM           | Farmed  |             |         |                            | V            |               |
| Seaweed Salad   | KOREA             | NO MSG  |             |         |                            | V            |               |
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<sup>1</sup> Marine Stewardship Council (MSC) <https://www.msc.org/> – A certification program that promotes sustainable fishing practices worldwide. Its Fisheries Standard applies to the certification of wild-caught fish and seafood in freshwater and at sea.

<sup>2</sup> Best Aquaculture Practices (BAP) <https://www.bapcertification.org/> – BAP is the world's most trusted, comprehensive and proven third-party aquaculture certification program, certifying seafood facilities worldwide.

<sup>3</sup> Aquaculture Stewardship Council (ASC) <https://www.asc-aqua.org/> – An independent, nonprofit organization that manages the world's leading certification and labelling program for environmentally and socially responsible aquaculture.

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