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1,000 Food Art And Styling Ideas: Mouthwatering Food Presentations From Chefs, Photographers, And Bloggers From Around The Globe (1000 Series)



Synopsis

Whether you're a food photographer or a food lover, this book is sure to inspire you to create visually stunning dishes. *1,000 Food Art & Styling Ideas* beautifully showcases 1,000 of the best food art presentations from around the world. From Italy to China to the United States, the photos highlight the best food art presentations each country has to offer, submitted by professional photographers, food stylists, chefs, and food bloggers. The succulent images will make your mouth water and inspire your next photo shoot - whether it's a basic plate of pasta or a table full of pastries and parfaits. You'll learn new techniques for staging your food to make it an out-of-world experience for your guests. This is a visual showcase designed to provide endless inspiration for anyone who loves food, styling, and photography.

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Customer Reviews

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This book is garbage. Of course this is a subjective opinion as everyone has their own styles, but even for just gathering inspiration, this book lacks evocative imagery. The plating in the photos looks outdated, corny, or unappealingly filtered and the photos are sourced from a very small pool of sources, which is partly why I disliked it so much. If you're interested in plating food like you're trying to make your dishes unappetizing or boring, then maybe this book could be useful to you. If I try to be objective, I'll say that the design company for the book, Grip x Chicago, did a pretty appealing job and the images are nicely mapped out. Also, if you're into nouvelle cuisine plating, there are some really good ideas of "what not to do" provided.

I just received this book for which I waited months. I am an avid food photographer and amateur cook. I get more excitement and enjoyment viewing monthly food magazines than from this book. I am not at all inspired. There are a few creative shots that obviously took some thought to design and shoot; however, most shots are dull, poorly lit and (un)styled. I agree with the other reviewer, that some text (even a brief description of the dish) would add some context. Many photos are reminiscent of '70s-style colour and technique, particularly the drinks section. Regretful purchase, and will not find a place on my shelf among other finer cook, photography and styling books.

If you want to be inspired by contemporary food styling, you are better off to find any of hundreds of blogs out there. These are mostly pictures from marketing/pr firms, and are mostly pretty horrible. There is nothing fresh or exciting about the images. They look more like stock photos than something that would get your creative juices flowing. Save your money.

There is no "how to" text in this book so the title of the book is misleading when it states that there are food styling ideas. I also agree with the reviewers who point out the lack of quality photography. Many of the photos are blurred, blown out, flat, and badly lit. Many of the food arrangements (wouldn't call this styling) are amateurish and look slapped together.

I was a little disappointed. I was assuming (see what happens when I assume) that I was getting an instructional book with detailed steps to make things look good. Instead I got a picture book with web addresses to the owner of the pictures. I don't have the best web access but a few of the sites I tried to look up where non-existent so all I have is a picture in a book that cost too much

Pre-ordered and now I am so disappointed once receiving it. The pictures did not really offer much

in terms of originality as the title suggested. The photos seemed somewhat dated in terms of the styling and lighting in my opinion. Too late to return so I will probably end up passing it on to someone else. Would not recommend, especially at this price for what it offered .

Not quite what I was expecting. No descriptions inside. This is quite literally just a book of photos. A lot of them are good photos, but I was hoping for descriptions of dishes, listings of components and so on.

Worthless. Nothing but photos of ordinary food. I can figure out how to plate chicken wings on my own. I wanted a book of plating ideas but this simply is a waste of time and money.

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