Ambassador Dinner Party Badge – Earn From Home Guide

Girls will try on the role of chef as they throw a great dinner party!

- 1. Create your menu
- 2. Make a budget and a shopping list
- 3. Practice Timing Your Courses
- 4. Explore Imaginative Ways to Present Food
- 5. Host Your Party

Once you have earned this badge, you will know how to make and serve a fabulous three-course meal!



1. Create your menu

- Cooking allows you to be creative. During this step, collect a variety of recipes from cooking shows, websites, books, family members, or magazines. After doing some research, find three recipes each for appetizers, main courses and desserts. After coming up with three recipes for each of those categories, see which ones combine together best, and decide on one recipe for each category that is your favorite.
- Once you have your dishes picked out, use a computer or paper and coloring instruments to create a beautiful menu that you can later supply to your dinner guests!

2. Make a budget and a shopping list

- o Before you go shopping, it is best to create a budget. Think how much money you can spend total, then begin listing out every ingredient you will need to buy. Once you have your budget and shopping list, begin shopping online, or by using grocery ads. You may need to browse a few stores to find the best prices. You can even compare prices from places like a normal supermarket, a specialty grocery store, or even a farmer's market.
 - Don't forget to adjust your recipes to ensure you have enough food for the number of people who will be attending your dinner party!
- Remember, value is not always just in the cost of an item, but also in the taste, healthfulness and the business you are supporting.
- Once you have finalized your price options, budget and shopping list, you are ready to go get your ingredients!

3. Time your courses

 After purchasing your ingredients, it is time to test your creations. Chefs learn by practicing! During this step, write out a menu timeline. Make sure you time out how long prepping for each dish will take (chopping vegetables, preheating the oven, etc.), as well as how long cooking and cooling times will be.

4. Think creatively!

Shows such as Master Chef present their dishes by adding garnishes like parsley, a drizzle of sauce, or using different serving platters to make their dish stand out. In this step, think of creative and fun ways to present your dishes, from the plating, to the garnishes, to even the table and room décor!

5. Host your party

- Now is the time to bring everything together. Invite your family to join you for your meal, and begin decorating the table and room.
- Using your meal timeline from step 3, begin cooking and prepping for your meal well in advance of when you plan to serve the appetizer.
- After everything has been made, and your guests have happily eaten your delicious three-course meal, be sure to ask them how their meal was!

Congratulations, you have completed the steps needed to earn your Dinner Party badge! You can now host a fantastic dinner party, complete with flawless presentation and delicious dishes!

The Ambassador Dinner Party badge can be purchased at our online store.