PRIVATE CULINARY EXPERIENCES FOR FUNDRAISING AUCTIONS



IN-HOME DINING EXPERIENCES

Celebrity or Local Chef In-Home Dinner for 8–10

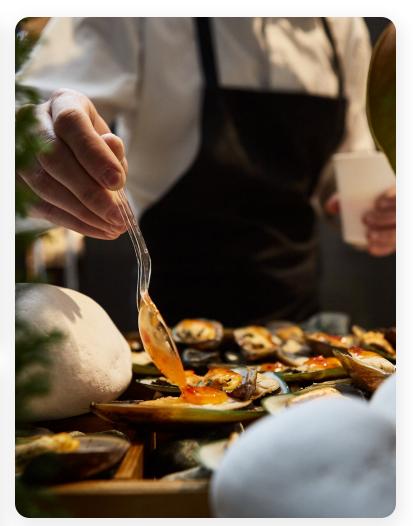
- Multi-course fine dining meal, with wine pairings or curated cocktail menu.
- 2. Add a twist: "Chef cooks with you" or "Chef shares travel stories between courses."

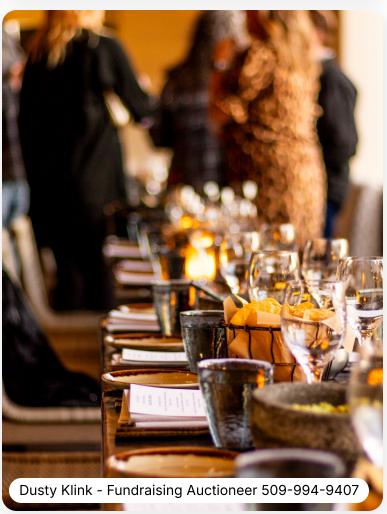
2. Chef Showdown: Two Local Chefs Compete in Your Kitchen

 Guests vote for the winner — Top Chef meets Iron Chef, at home!

3. Interactive Cooking Class + Dinner

- Guests cook alongside the chef, then sit down to enjoy the meal they helped prepare.
- 2. Themes: Pasta from Scratch, Sushi 101, Farm-to-Table Feast





BEVERAGE EXPERIENCES

l. Private Wine Pairing Dinner with Sommelier or Winemaker

 Includes 5+ premium wines, local chef-prepared small plates or multicourse meal.

2. Whiskey or Bourbon Tasting Flight with Cigar Lounge Vibe

- 1. Hosted by a certified whiskey educator or local distillery rep.
- 2. Optional: Add custom-rolled cigars or chocolate pairing.

3. Craft Cocktail Party at Your Home with Mixologist

- l. Live demo, cocktail history, make-your-own bar stations.
- 2. Great as a couple's night or birthday package.









RESTAURANT & VENUE EXPERIENCES

L. Chef's Table at a High-End Local Restaurant

I. Exclusive seating in the kitchen or private room, off-menu tasting with wine or spirits.

2. Restaurant Buyout or VIP Rooftop Dinner for 20-40

- 1. Often donated by new or boutique restaurants for exposure.
- 2. Can be sponsored by a business donor.

3. Progressive Dinner Experience (3 Restaurants, 3 Courses)

- 1. Appetizers at one, main course at another, dessert & drinks at a third.
- 2. Add limo transportation or a walking tour for extra flair.



THEMED OR EXPERIENTIAL DINING

Murder Mystery Dinner Party with Chef & Actors

1. Think "Clue" meets fine dining — professional cast brings the drama.

2. Paella Party or Argentine Asado at Home

- 1. Live-fire cooking experience with wine pairings & music.
- 2. Bonus: Flamenco guitarist or tango dancers.

3. Dinner on the Farm or Vineyard

- 1. Rustic, upscale outdoor meal at sunset "Field to Fork" event.
- 2. Often co-hosted with a winery or agri-tourism partner.



UNIQUE BONUS ADD-ONS

- Signed Cookbook or chef's knife for host or top bidder
- Custom printed menus with guest names for a fine-dining touch
- Photographer to capture the evening (can also be upsold as an add-on)
- Custom chef jackets name printed or maybe organizations logo with donor appreciation message

How to Package & Sell These

- Have your Auctioneer work their magic.
- Use storytelling in your auction catalog: "Enjoy an unforgettable evening as acclaimed Chef Ana Cortez brings the taste of Barcelona to your home..."
- Great for live auction with energy: "Who wants to host the dinner party of the year?"



PRO TIPS

- Partner with local chefs/restaurants in your community many will donate their time or a package to reach high-net-worth supporters.
- As always tell them what is in it for them.
- Add underwriting opportunities: Sponsor pays chef fee, nonprofit keeps 100% of sale.
- Can be consignment or reduced fee if donated experiences are slow to procure.
- Can be scaled: Sell to top 2-3 bidders for double or triple the revenue if reach a certain dollar amount.
- See what donations look like and build packages. Pay a piano player or guitar player for music, hire a driver, pair these experiences with other items to make it truly an item they must purchase!

