

PRIVATE CULINARY EXPERIENCES FOR FUNDRAISING AUCTIONS

IN-HOME DINING EXPERIENCES

1. **Celebrity or Local Chef In-Home Dinner for 8-10**

1. 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**

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

3. **Interactive Cooking Class + Dinner**

1. 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

1. Private Wine Pairing Dinner with Sommelier or Winemaker

1. Includes 5+ premium wines, local chef-prepared small plates or multi-course 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

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



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RESTAURANT & VENUE EXPERIENCES

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

1. 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

1. **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!



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