



# From Good to Great: Mastering the Art of Food Photography

Elevating your visual storytelling for the modern dining experience

# Introduction



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# The Food Design Agency



# Agenda

PRINCIPLES

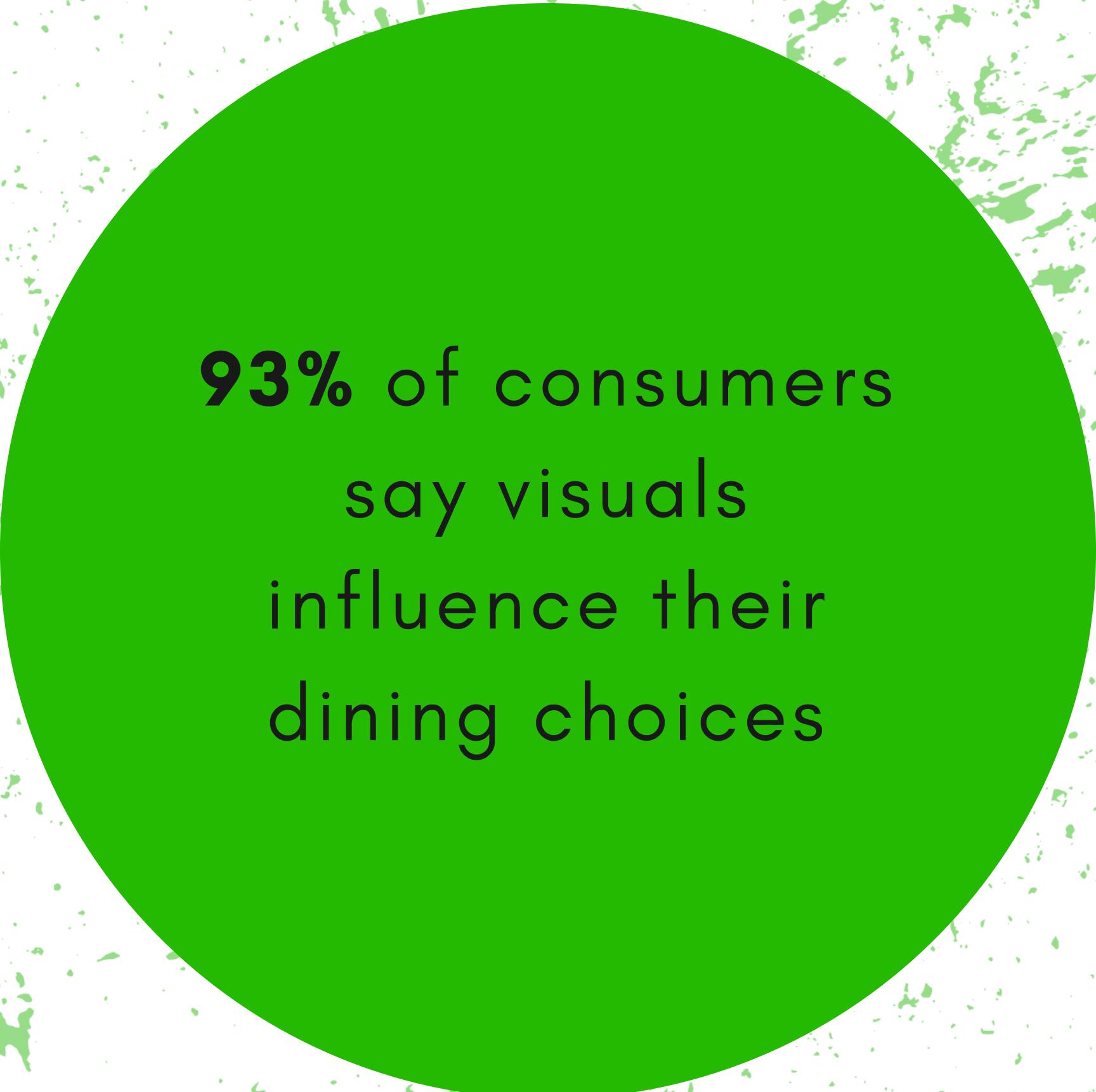
PRACTICAL TIPS

TOOLS



# Why food photography matters





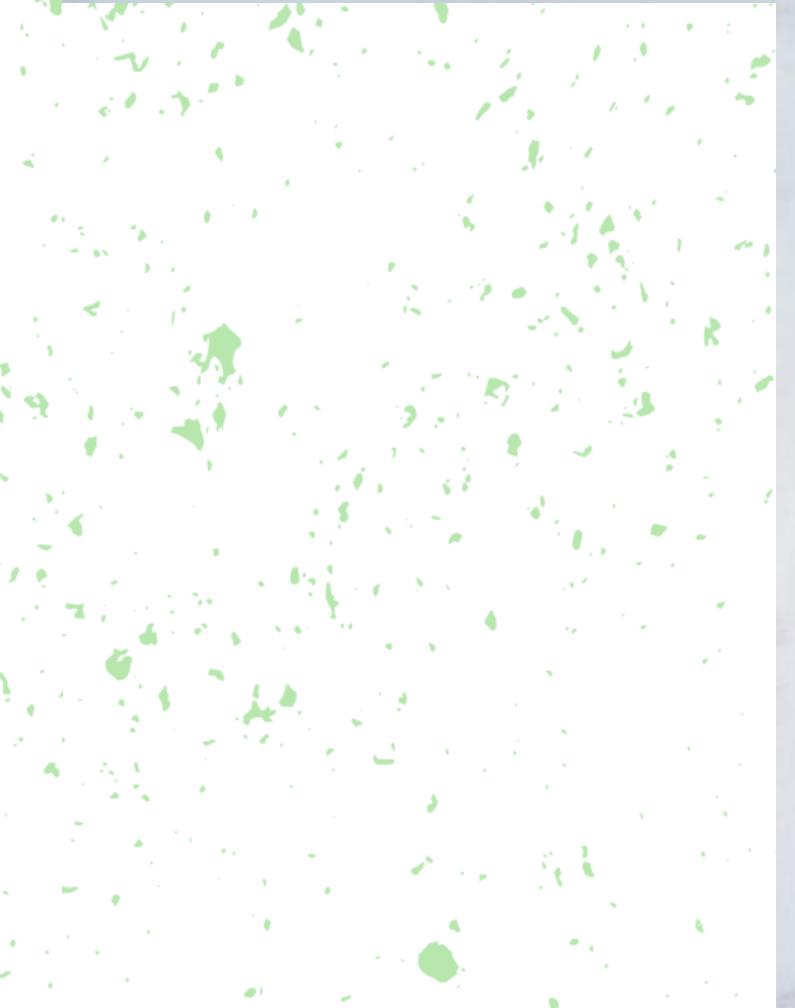
**93%** of consumers  
say visuals  
influence their  
dining choices





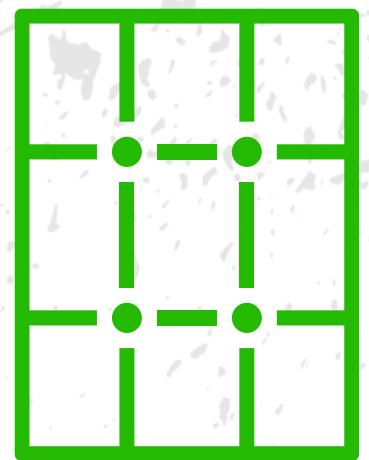
- Enhance brand identity and communicate quality
- Increase sales - influence purchasing decision
- Drive guest engagement and bookings
- Set your venue apart / differentiate from competitors
- Drive engagement
- Improve value perception with customers

# Key principles of great food photography

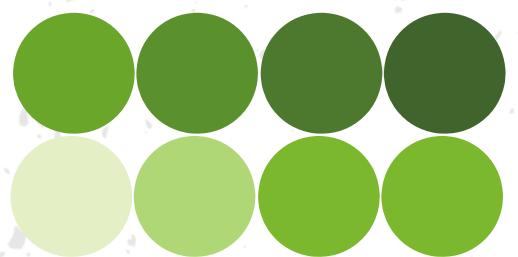




Lighting



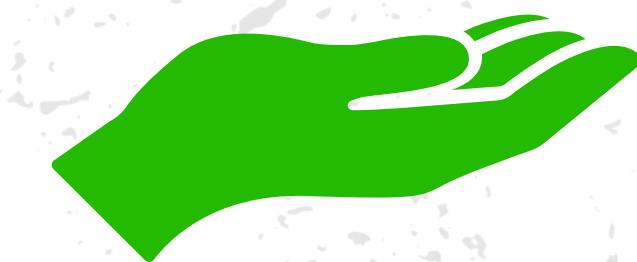
Composition



Colour



Props and styling

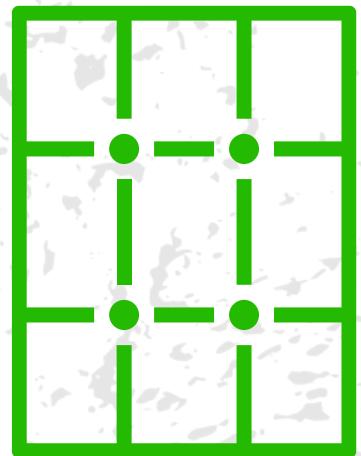


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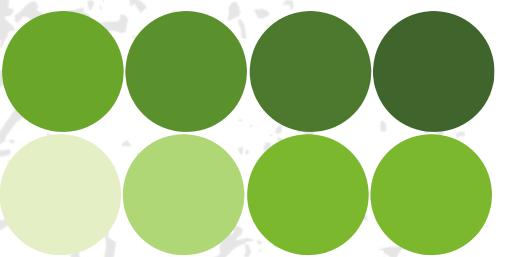
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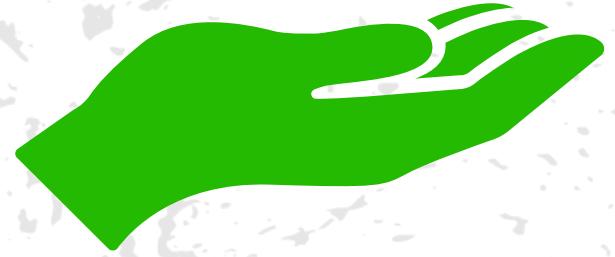


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# Props and styling





# Visible texture



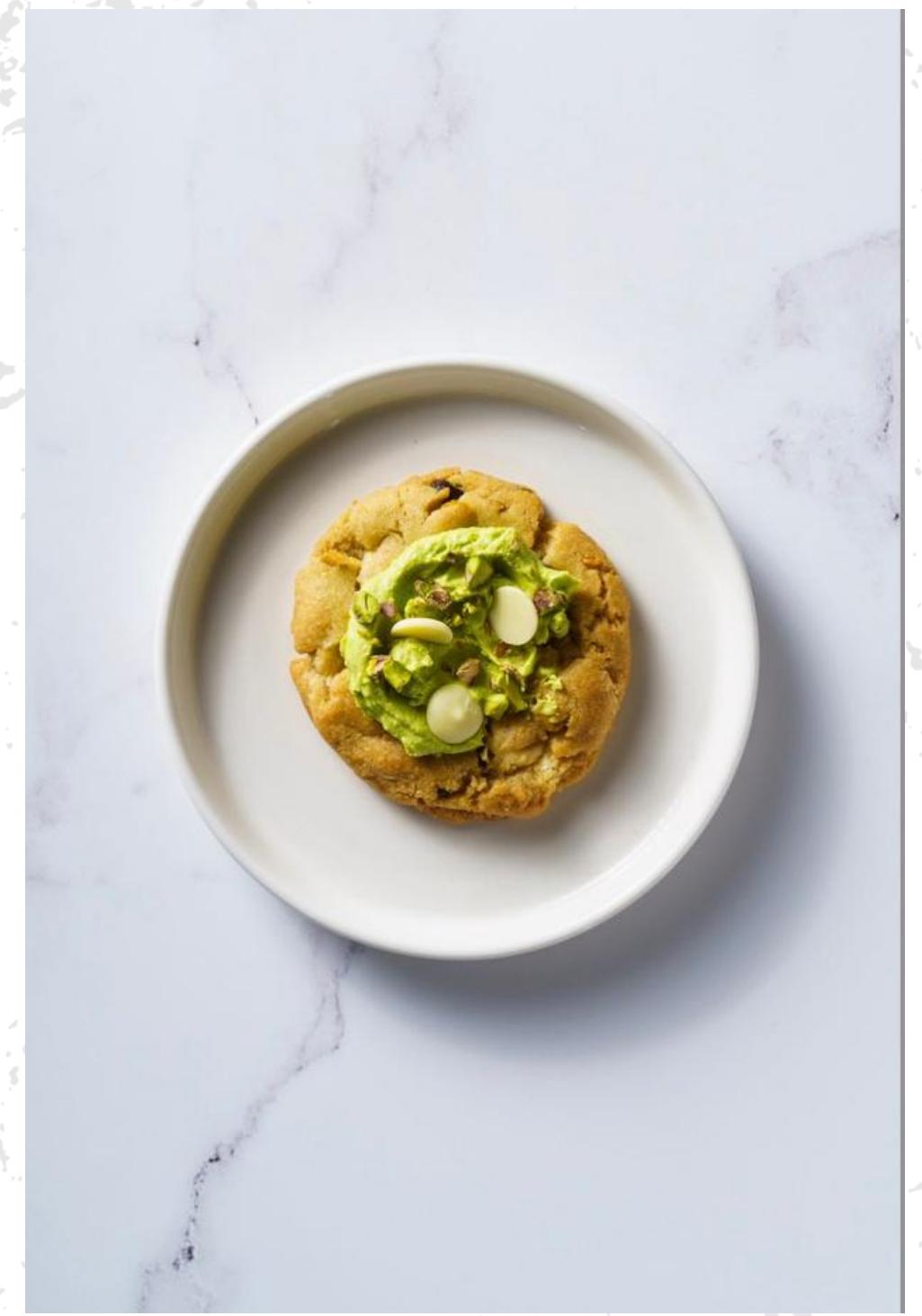
# Modern plating techniques: Elevating perception & photography



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  - Heights and Layers



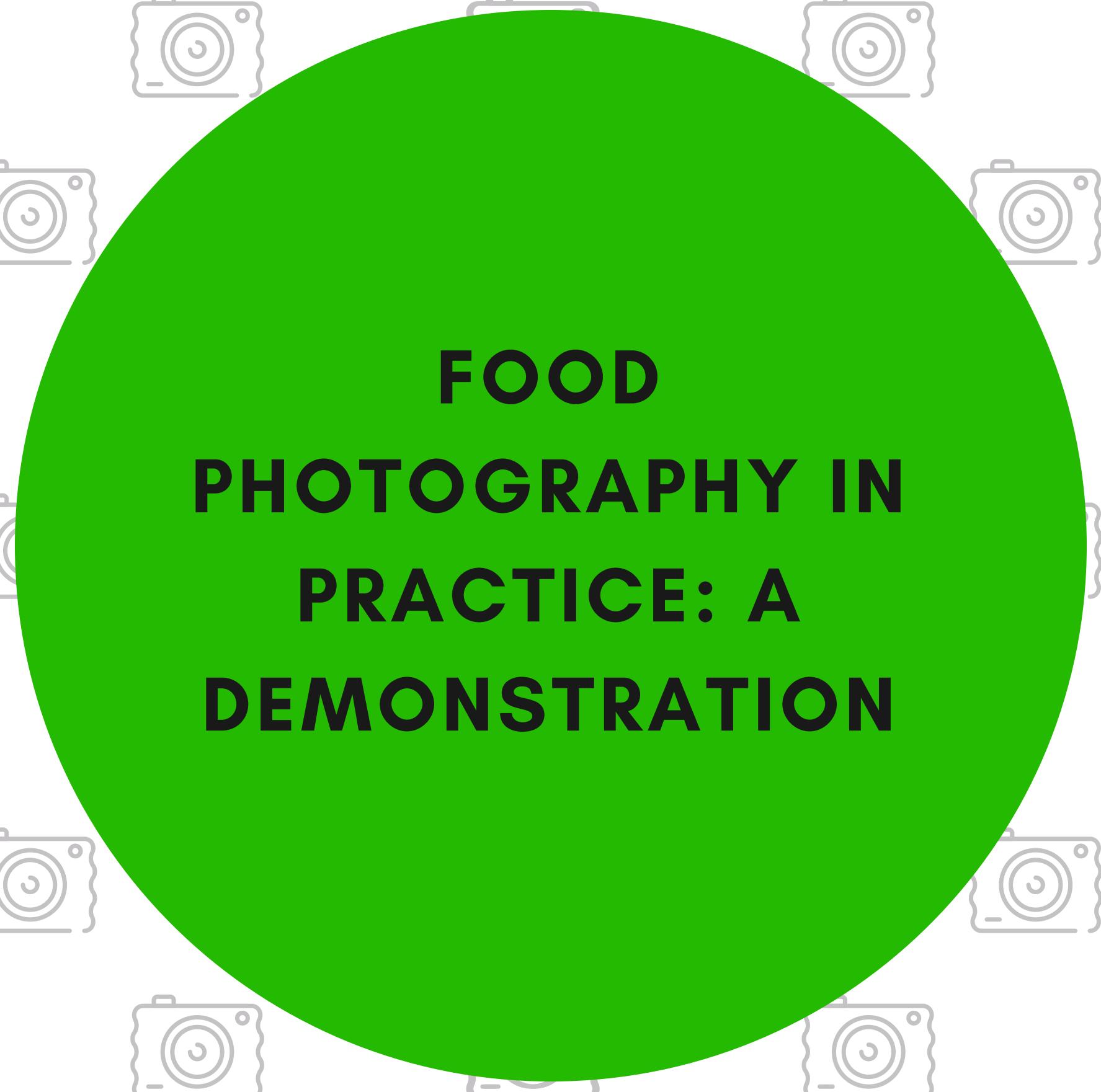
# TRENDS

- Artistic culinary presentations
- Interactive food elements
- Sustainable and zero-waste plating
- Fusion cuisine presentations
- Focus on real



# TIPS

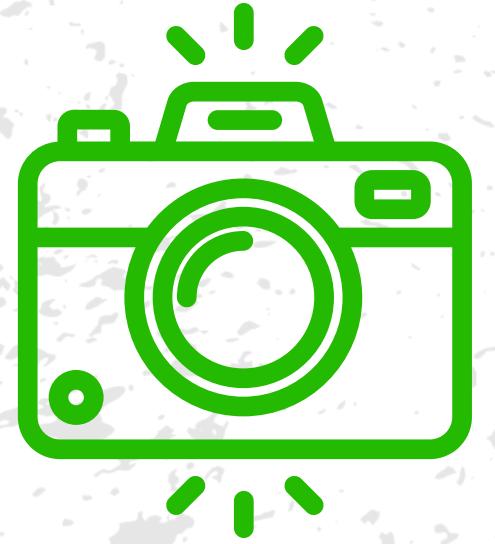
- Practicality meets aesthetics
- Consistency is key
- Use fresh, vibrant garnishes
- Plate like a story
- Use real food



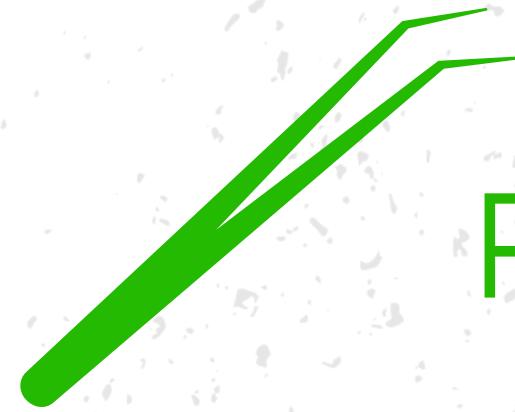
# **FOOD PHOTOGRAPHY IN PRACTICE: A DEMONSTRATION**

# Tools of the trade

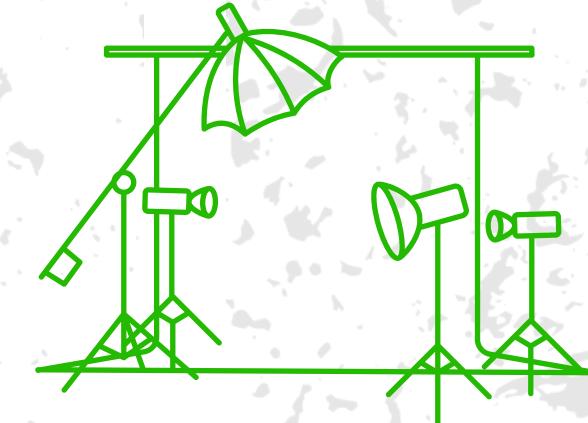




Cameras



Props



Lighting



Editing Apps/  
Software



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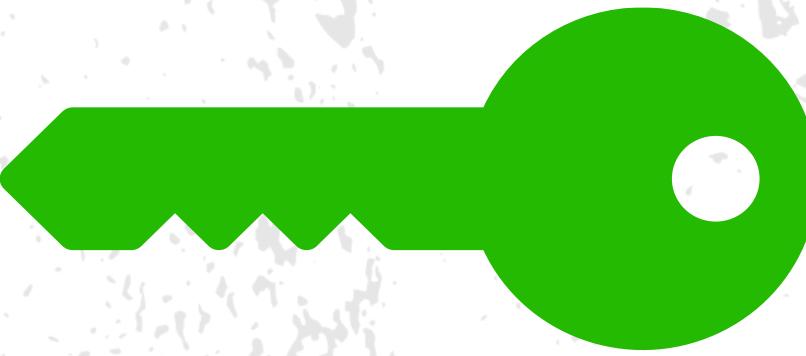
The key take-aways



A picture is worth  
a thousand  
flavours



Plating is



Focus on composition

Garnish and prop sparingly



Leverage lighting

Practice makes perfect!

QUESTIONS?