

Food Descriptions That Make You Hungry:

# Hypnotic Menu Writing Tips & Secrets



**Chicken:** roast (roast chicken), crisp (crisp chicken wings), grilled, smoked (chicken, breast), tender, succulent, boneless chicken thighs, skinless



**Beef:** organic, grass-fed, spicy ground beef, peppery, lean, aged, spicy, stewed, Angus, other, own, pickled, poor, potted, tender, prime (prime beef tenderloin)



**Fish:** boneless, smoked (salmon), briny (sardines), crispy, golden, freshwater, saltwater, baked, fried



**Snacks:** spicy (snacks), toasted (buns), warm (flour tortilla), soft (pretzels, flour tortilla), baked (mozzarella sticks)



**Cheeses:** fresh, dripping mozzarella, melty, fluffy, airy, creamy, velvety, crumbly, smoky, nuty, Roquefort, Camembert, Cotija, Chèvre, Feta, Mozzarella, Emmental, Cheddar, Gouda, Taleggio, Parmigiano-Reggiano, Manchego, Monterey Jack, Gorgonzola, Pecorino Toscano, Taleggio, Fontina d'Aosta, Parmigiano-Reggiano, Mozzarella di Bufala, Provolone, Asiago, Robiola Piemonte



**Sauces:** homemade, sweet, hot, spicy, ranch, milky, creamy, white, balsamic, sticky marinade (sauce)



**Rice:** spicy, basmati, steamed, fried, wild, brown, sticky, fluffy, puffed, Japanese, golden, Chinese, Indian, Oriental, soft, grained, short, medium, long-grain rice



**Pizza:** rustic, traditional, hearth-baked crust, homemade (sourdough), dripping mozzarella, baked, Italian, Mediterranean, vegetarian



**Soup:** homemade, traditional, creamy, slow-cooked (chicken soup), crock-pot (chicken soup), butternut squash soup, vegetable, healthy, golden, yellow, pumpkin, gourmet, tasty, delicious, organic, mashed, butternut squash, prepared, vegan, vegetable soup.



**Dips:** creamy (avocado dip), sour (cream dip), 3-layer dip (or replace with the desired number)



**Vegetables:** crispy (crispy shallots), crisp (lettuce), caramelized, spicy (spicy hummus), buttery (buttery jack), fresh (salad), roasted (corn, potatoes), sun-kissed (tomatoes), sweet potatoes, baby (carrots), fermented (cabbage), grated (ginger), aromatic (herbs), mashed (potatoes)



**Fruits:** juicy, satin-smooth, nature's bounty, zesty, fresh, pureed (pureed fruit such as applesauce), candied, glace, pitted, seasonal, seedless, organic, tropical, exotic, locally-grown, garden-fresh, vitamininfused (vitamin-infused smoothie with tropical foods), vitamin-rich



**Dessert:** crunchy, sweet, savoury, flakey (flakey apple pie), crumbly (crumbly cheese, crumbly pie), gooey (gooey fudge), moist (moist chocolate cake), glazed, spiced (cinnamon spiced tart), sticky (sticky blueberry muffins), nutty, silky, minty, satin, naked (cake), bittersweet (chocolate chips), chocolatey (icing), salted caramel (brownies)

### Adjectives related to the origins of the ingredients:

Authentic + Greek, Peruvian, American, Midwestern, Southwestern, Italian, Sicilian, Spanish, French, Romanian, Chinese, Vietnamese, Indian, Thai, Mexican, English, German, Dutch, Singaporean, Irish, etc.

### Adjectives related to the food appearance:

Bite-sized, golden, golden-brown, powdered, glazed, sprinkled, drizzled, caramelized, crystalized, frosty, flambé, glossy,

### Adjectives for plant-based VS meat-based foods:

Low-fat, kosher, gluten-free, vegan, vegetarian, raw, rare, medium-rare, medium or well-done



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