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Restaurant Cooking Classes With Philadelphia Chefs: From Chocolate To Pizza To Cheese

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As [Valentine's Day](#) approaches, you may be wishing you had the kitchen skills to prepare a five-star meal for your sweetheart. You're in luck.

Chef-led classes at restaurants around Philadelphia are aplenty. Great opportunities to get a front-row look inside some of the most acclaimed kitchens in the city, the classes are also an exclusive chance to hone your culinary prowess (you know, for next year's Valentine's Day).

Our top picks, below:

- [Osteria](#): Learn, hands-on at the restaurant, to make pizza (February 8 and 22) and pasta (February 15) with James Beard Award-winning executive chef and owner of Osteria Jeff Michaud. Plus, pick up even more tips and techniques from Vetri sous chefs during a Q&A over dessert. Classes, \$175, begin at 6:30 p.m. and last around three hours. Register [here](#), [here](#) and [here](#), for the respective dates.

- [Lacroix at The Rittenhouse](#): For an unofficial lesson in cooking mastery, book the Chef's Table at this venerated French restaurant. Available for dinner Monday through Thursday, the Chef's Table offers exclusive seating in the heart of the kitchen for up to seven. You get a lavish tasting menu with up to 12 courses, \$165/person.

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a variety of cheeses from the Trading Company's extensive inventory, paired with wines or beers. At each class, \$65 per person, guests will enjoy one-ounce portions of each cheese and two-ounce pours of each beverage. Call (215) 574-1099 to ensure you snag a spot. NOTE: Chef Garces himself won't be present, but talented members of Chef Garces' finely-trained staff will be.



Book the Chef's Table at Lacroix for an intimate front-row experience. (Photo courtesy Lacroix)

Check out lots more classes, below.