

FOOD PHOTOGRAPHY PROP *checklist*

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BUILD YOUR COLLECTION THE RIGHT WAY

Food Photography Prop Checklist

Sitting down in Melbourne deciding what things would join us in our move from Australia to Canada, I was excited to leave my prop collection behind.

Most people loathed the idea of parting ways with their props. The reason I didn't was that when I started collecting props for my food photography, I just collected a whole bunch of crap! I was drawn to every article about cheap, DIY, budget props and I didn't have a list of what I needed.

Feeling that my style had evolved since I began collecting, I was excited to start with a clean slate. Determined not to make the same mistake again, and be smart with my budget, I created a checklist.

This exact checklist!

Having this plan really allowed me to stick to what I needed. See, I have a weakness for pinch bowls and glassware. With no plan, I would just have a collection of these two items, *(and no money to spend on what I actually needed)*.

It allowed me to say no to things I *liked* when I knew I had to spend money on things I still *needed* in the collection. This checklist has helped me create a cohesive collection that I enjoy using, made my budget go further, and saved me time.

Happy collecting,

Rachel

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<p>PROP #1</p> <p><i>Bowls</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Serving Dishes (<i>extra large</i>) <input type="checkbox"/> Soup/Noodle Bowls (<i>large</i>) <input type="checkbox"/> Cream and condiments (<i>small but not pinch</i>) <input type="checkbox"/> Pinch (<i>tiny bowls</i>) 	<p>PROP #5</p> <p><i>Linen</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Napkins (<i>medium + small</i>) <input type="checkbox"/> Tablecloth (<i>large</i>)
<p>PROP #2</p> <p><i>Plates</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Platters (<i>extra large</i>) <input type="checkbox"/> Plates (<i>large</i>) <input type="checkbox"/> Side Plates (<i>small</i>) 	<p>PROP #6</p> <p><i>Baking</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Wire Cooling Rack <input type="checkbox"/> Cake Stand <input type="checkbox"/> Baking Pans + Trays
<p>PROP #3</p> <p><i>Vessels</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Tea Cups (<i>hot beverages</i>) <input type="checkbox"/> Alcohol/desserts (<i>medium-small</i>) <input type="checkbox"/> Water glasses (<i>medium-small</i>) <input type="checkbox"/> Stemmed glasses (<i>medium-small</i>) <input type="checkbox"/> Pouring + Sauces (<i>small</i>) 	<p>PROP #7</p> <p><i>Other</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Cutting Board: Wooden + Stone <input type="checkbox"/> Skillet <input type="checkbox"/> Butter saucepan (<i>small</i>) <input type="checkbox"/> Pie Dish <input type="checkbox"/> Mortar + Pestle (<i>small</i>) <input type="checkbox"/> Popsicle molds
<p>PROP #4</p> <p><i>Cutlery/Serving</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Knives, Forks + Spoons (<i>rustic + luxurious</i>) <input type="checkbox"/> Serving (<i>rustic + luxurious</i>) <input type="checkbox"/> Paring Knife (<i>vintage</i>) <input type="checkbox"/> Teaspoons (<i>rustic + luxurious</i>) <input type="checkbox"/> Ice cream scoop <input type="checkbox"/> Sugar duster <input type="checkbox"/> Pastry brush <input type="checkbox"/> Herb Scissors 	<p>PROP #8</p> <p><i>Backgrounds</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Light grey marble <input type="checkbox"/> Grey-blue textured <input type="checkbox"/> Dark grey/charcoal textured <input type="checkbox"/> Blush pink <input type="checkbox"/> Textured wood <input type="checkbox"/> Textured white