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## Food Adjectives

### Examples of Menu Phrases

- Prime Beef (insert the name of the cut)
- Roasted (insert the name of the vegetable)
- Grilled whole (insert the name of the fish)
- (insert the name of the cooking method) wild rice

### Descriptive Terms for Menus

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\* = Terms that have to meet [Truth in Menu Labeling Laws](#)

<b>A</b>	aged	aromatic	array of
	artfully	assorted	an assortment of
	authentic		
<b>B</b>	baked	beautiful	bitter
	bite-size	bland	blazed
	blended	blend of	blunt
	boiled	brown	burnt
	buttered		
<b>C</b>	caked	calorie free	caramelized

	char-broiled	cheesy	chilled
	choice center cut	chocolate	chocolate flavored
	cholesterol free	chunked	cinnamon
	classic	clove	coated
	cold	cool	country
	crafted	creamed	creamy
<a href="#">Top</a>	crisp	crunchy	
<b>D</b>	dazzling	deep-fried	delectable
	delicious	delight	delightful
	distinctive	doughy	dressed
	drizzle, drizzled	dry	dull
<b>E</b>	elastic	encrusted	epicurean taste
	epicurean taste, treat	ethnic	extraordinary
<b>F</b>	famous	fantastic	fizzy
	filet	flaky	flavorful
	flavored with	fleshy	fluffy
	fragile	free - range *	fresh
	fried	frosty	frozen
	fruity	full, full-bodied	furry
<b>G</b>	garlic, garlicky	generous	generous portion
	gingery	glazed	golden
	gourmet	greasy	grilled
<a href="#">Top</a>	gritty		
<b>H</b>	half	heaping	heart healthy
	heart smart	hearty	homemade
	honey-glazed	hot	
<b>I</b>	ice-cold	icy	indulgent
	infused	intriguing	
<b>J</b>	juicy	jumbo	

<b>K</b>	kosher, salt, meat, etc. *		
<b>L</b>	large	lavish	layered
	lean	leathery	less
	light / lite *	lightly-breaded	lightly salted
	low *	low-fat	low sodium
<a href="#">Top</a>	lukewarm	luscious	
<b>M</b>	marinated	mashed	mild
	minty	mixed	mixture of
	moist	mouth-watering	
<b>N</b>	nationally famous	natural	non-fat
	nutmeg	nutty	
<b>O</b>	oily	open face	organic *
<b>P</b>	peppery	perfection	petite
	pickled	plump	poached
	popular	pounded	prepared
	prickly	pulpy	pungent
<a href="#">Top</a>	pureed		
<b>Q</b>	No entries for Q		
<b>R</b>	rancid	reduced *	refresh
	rich	ripe	roasted
	rubbery		
<b>S</b>	salty	satiny, satin	sauteed
	savory	scrumptious	sea salt
	seared	seasoned	served in
	served steaming in a	served with	sharp
	silky	simmered	sizzling
	skillfully	small	smoky, smoked
	smothered	smooth	soothing
	southern style	sour	special

	spiced	spicy	spiral-cut
	spongy	sprinkled	steamed
	steamy	sticky	strawberry flavored
	stuffed	succulent	sugary
	sugar free	superb	sweet
<a href="#">Top</a>	syrupey		
<b>T</b>	tangy	tantalizing	tart
	tasteful	tasteless	tasty
	tender	tepid	terrific
	thick	thin	toasted
	topped	tossed	traditional
	tough		
<b>U</b>	No entries for U		
<b>V</b>	vanilla	vanilla flavored	velvety
<b>W</b>	warm	waxy	whipped
	whipped-cream topped		whole
	wonderful		
<b>X</b>	No entries for X		
<b>Y</b>	yummy		
<b>Z</b>	zesty		

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