The Getty Center

Self-Guide

**Good Eats**

This guide explores the delicious food featured in works of art from the J. Paul Getty Museum’s collection. Your mission is to look for the art and complete the activities. You can use a map to help your search. First, go to the pavilion listed in the activity. Second, use the gallery number to find the correct gallery. Once you get there, look around the gallery for a sign with the title and artist. Remember not to touch (or eat!) anything. **Have fun!**

**South Pavilion, gallery S 104**

*Still Life: Game, Vegetables, Fruit, Cockatoo* by Adriaen van Utrecht

A **still life** is a painting of a group of natural and manmade objects, usually placed on a table. This still life is filled to the brim with ingredients for a tasty feast. Take a minute to look at the painting and how the objects are arranged.

What objects do you see on the chair, in the basket, and on the table?

**Now, try to complete all of the “I spy” sentences:**

- I spy a __________ bird standing on a ________________.
- I spy a chicken on a ________________ tablecloth.
- I spy ________________ and ________________ in a basket on the table.

**South Pavilion, gallery S 201**

*Still Life with Peaches, a Silver Goblet, Grapes, and Walnuts* by Jean-Siméon Chardin

This looks like a healthy snack! Take a few moments to look at the painting. The artist carefully arranged the objects and the food in the still life to compose this beautiful painting. To compose a painting is to carefully consider the shape and the placement of the objects.

**Trace the outline of the shapes in the reproduction of the painting to the right.**

**How many shapes can you find? ________**
What a mess! Bread crusts are all over the table, teaspoons are lying everywhere, and someone dropped a cup into a bowl! Look past the mess and study the tea set carefully.

**List the details you find on the teapot:**


Chinese objects and stories about Asia were very popular in Europe at the time this painting was made. How would you design a teapot today? **Decorate your own tea pot below:**
East Pavilion, gallery E 203
Still Life with Lemons, Oranges and a Pomegranate by Jacob van Hulsdonck

By yourself or with a friend, list the colors and objects you see in the painting.

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Did you find...

1. a tiny fly?  Yes ___  No ___
2. a red flower? Yes ___  No ___
3. drops of water? Yes ___  No ___

Now imagine actually standing next to the table in the painting. On the lines below, write a short story about what you might do. Would you peel an orange? Make lemonade? Toss lemons to a friend? Eat pomegranate seeds? Be as creative as you can.

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West Pavilion, gallery W 204
Still Life with Apples by Paul Cézanne

The artist Paul Cézanne paid close attention to the lines and shapes of the objects in this still life. Can you do that too?

**Sketch four details from the painting—one detail in each box:**

Still Hungry? Food for Thought

Here are more activities to satisfy your appetite. You may learn more about food in the collection with our Art Tasting Audio Tour.

At home, think about the works of art you saw at the Museum. What types of objects and food would you use to create your own still life? How would you compose your items? Arrange your still life with interesting things and foods. Then draw, paint, or take a picture of the arrangement!

For more information on the works of art, visit our website at [getty.edu](http://getty.edu) and type in the title of the work of art or the artist’s name in the search box.