

"Cooking in the Kitchen with Nina" Cooking Classes – 2025

Special Groups - Cooking Classes

You can bring up to 6 people to a 3-hr. class for \$360.00 or \$300.00 per 2-hr. classes.

You can bring up to 8 people to a 3-hr. private class for \$480.00 or \$400.00 for 2-hr. classes.

You can bring 10 people to a 3-hr. private class for \$600.00 or \$500 for 2-hr. classes.

The following classes are 3-hr. classes.

1. **Elegant 3-Course Dinner – On the menu:** Mock Wine Spritzers, Tossed Greens with Apples, Pecans and Hazelnut Vinaigrette, Balsamic-Butter Glazed Chicken Breasts, Jasmine Rice and Mini Chocolate Mousse Parfaits. \$60.00
2. **4-Course Dinner - On the menu:** Cranberry Spritzers, Tossed Spinach with Roasted Red Peppers and Pine Nuts with Red Wine Vinaigrette, Creamy Asparagus Soup, Pork Wellington with Raspberry-Chipotle Sauce or Apricot Sauce, Sugar Snap Peas with Browned Butter Sauce and Decadent Chocolate Molten Pie or Cake. \$60.00
3. **4-Course Dinner - On the menu:** Blueberry-Pomegranate Spritzers, Tossed Spinach with Roasted Red Peppers and Pine Nuts with Red Wine Vinaigrette, Creamy Potato-Leek Soup, Pork Medallions with Maple-Brandy Sauce, Green Beans with Browned Butter and Toasted Walnuts and Cream Brulée. \$65.00
4. **4-Course Dinner - On the menu:** Cranberry Spritzers, Tossed Greens with Braeburn Apples, Dried Cherries and Toasted Pecans with Hazelnut Vinaigrette, Butternut Squash Soup, Tilapia with Balsamic-Butter Sauce, Golden Raisin Couscous and Individual Turtle-Pecan Puff Pastry Cheesecake. \$60.00
5. **4-Course Dinner - On the menu:** Cranberry-Pomegranate Spritzers, Caprese Salad, Light Italian Sausage and Potato Soup, Chicken Marsala, Jasmine Rice and Individual Tiramisu Parfaits. \$60.00
6. **4-Course Dinner - On the menu:** Cran-Raspberry Spritzers, Tossed Greens with Pears, Cherries and Pecan Vinaigrette, Creamy Potato Leek Soup, Beef Wellington, Glazed Carrots and Caramel-Apple Pie. \$70.00
7. **Elegant 4-Course Dinner - On the menu:** Passion Fruit Spritzers, Citrus Fruit Compote, French Onion Soup, Shrimp in Creamy Wine Sauce, Jasmine Rice, Steamed Sugar Snap Peas and Mango Mousse in Puff Pastry. \$70.00
8. **Elegant 4-Course Dinner - On the menu:** Cran-Raspberry Spritzers, Tossed Greens with Pears, Cherries and Pecan Vinaigrette, Creamy Potato Leek Soup, Roasted Beef Tenderloin, Orange-Glazed Carrots, Steamed Sugar Snap Peas and Caramel-Ice Cream Dessert or Bananas Foster in Puff Pastry. \$70.00
9. **Elegant 4-Course Dinner – On the menu:** Mock Wine Spritzers, Tossed Greens with Apples, Pecans and Hazelnut Vinaigrette, Caramelized Onion Bisque, Puff-Pastry-Wrapped Italian Chicken Breasts with Balsamic Reduction, Glazed Carrots and Chocolate Mousse Cake. \$60.00
10. **4-Course Dinner - On the menu:** Cranberry Spritzers, Tossed Spinach with Roasted Red Peppers and Pine Nuts with Red Wine Vinaigrette, Creamy Asparagus Soup, Pork Wellington with Raspberry-Chipotle Sauce or Apricot Sauce, Sugar Snap Peas with Browned Butter Sauce and Decadent Chocolate Molten Pie or Cake. \$60.00
11. **4-Course Trinidadian Dinner - On the menu:** Rum Punch, Passion Fruit Spritzers, Tropical Fruit Salad, Curried Chicken and Potato with Roti (flatbread), Coconut Bread and Mango Sorbet. \$60.00
12. **4-Course Dinner – On the menu:** Cranberry Spritzers, Creamy Olive Dip, Tossed Greens with Apples, Dried Cherries and Toasted Pecans with Hazelnut Vinaigrette, Baked Tilapia, Citrus Couscous and Individual Puff Pastry Cheesecake. \$60.00
13. **4-Course Dinner - Thai – On the menu:** Passion Fruit Spritzers, Beef Sate, Pineapple Fried Rice, Curried Chicken and Potato Soup and Mango Mousse in Puff Pastry. \$60.00
14. **4-Course Dinner - Chinese – On the menu:** Passion Fruit Spritzers, Egg Rolls, Crab Rangoon, Sweet and Sour Sauce, Sweet and Sour Chicken or Beef Lomein and Chinese Almond Cookies. \$60.00

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15. **4-Course Dinner - Tropical** – **On the menu:** Passion Fruit Spritzers, Pineapple-Macadamia Nut Spread, Curried Coconut and Snow Pea Soup, Rum-Raisin Chicken Breasts on Jasmine Rice, Molten Chocolate Cake. \$60.00
16. **4-Course Dinner - Tropical #2** – **On the menu:** Party Pina Coladas, Coconut Chicken Tenders with Mango Salsa, Tossed Greens with Strawberry and Avocado with Passion Fruit Vinaigrette, Caribbean Flank Steak with Coconut Rice, Coconut-Macadamia Tart. \$60.00
17. **4-Course Dinner – Hawaiian Luau – Gluten Free** – **On the menu:** Party Pina Coladas, Macadamia Nut and Pineapple Dip with Nut Thins, Tossed Greens with Strawberry and Avocado with Passion Fruit Vinaigrette, Jerk-Rubbed Pork Tenderloin with Mango Salsa and Coconut Macaroon Cookies and Mango Sorbet. \$60.00
18. **4-Course Dinner #1 - A Little Italy in Iowa** –**On the menu:** Mock White Wine Spritzers, Bruschetta with Artichokes, Caprese Salad, and Panko Coated Chicken served with a Balsamic Reduction over Parmesan Pasta and Tiramisu. \$60.00
19. **4-Course Dinner #2 - A Little Italy in Iowa:** **On the menu:** Mock Wine Spritzers, Bruschetta with Artichoke Topping, Creamy Tomato Basil Soup, Chicken Marsala over Pasta with Roasted Asparagus and Poached Pears with Chantilly Cream. \$60.00
20. **4-Course Dinner # 3 - A Little Italy in Iowa:** **On the menu:** Mock White Wine Spritzers, Bruschetta with Roasted Red Pepper Topping, Italian Spinach Salad, Chicken Pietro with Vegetables and Coconut Cake. \$60.00
21. **"Spring Fling":** **On the menu:** Passion Fruit Spritzers, Creamy Olive Dip with Crackers, Caprese Salad, Herb-Marinated Rib-Eyes, Roasted Potatoes, Carrots and Asparagus (or Stir-grilled Vegetables), and Tiramisu. \$65.00
22. **4-course Dinner – Mediterranean:** **On the menu:** Bruschetta with Artichoke Topping **or** Roasted Red Pepper Hummus, Chicken with Sun-dried Tomatoes, Mushrooms and Olives served over Fresh Sautéed Spinach and Israeli Couscous with Almond Tart. \$60.00
23. **30-Minute Meals** – **On the menu:** Cranberry Spritzer, Mexican Lasagna, Crispy Panko-Coated Chicken with Fruit Salsa, Maple-Glazed Pork Medallions, Quick and Easy Skillet Lasagna (Italian) \$55.00
24. **All-American Brunch** – **On the menu:** Fruity Spritzers, Seasonal Fresh Fruit Salad, Creamy Scrambled Eggs with Tomatoes and Chives, Maple-Pecan Braided Brunch Loaf, Spring Vegetable Medley. \$60.00
25. **French Brunch** – **On the menu:** Blueberry Smoothies, Citrus Fruit Cup, Baked French Toast with Honey-Butter Glaze, Grilled Smoked Pork Chops, Madeleine's (French butter cookies). \$60.00
26. **Italian Brunch** – **On the menu:** Cherry Spritzers, Asparagus with Basil Mayonnaise, Italian Sausage Brunch Casserole with Bruschetta Topping, Roasted Rosemary Potatoes and Tiramisu. \$60.00
27. **Mexican Brunch** – **On the menu:** Pomegranate Spritzers, Sangria Grape Fruit Salad, Mexican Brunch Casserole with Bell Pepper Salsa, Savory Double Corn Muffins and Honey-Sweet Fruit Sundaes. \$60.00
28. **European Brunch** – **On the menu:** Fruity Spritzers, Scandinavian Fruit Soup, Spinach, Italian Sausage and Roasted Red Pepper Strata, Mini Double Dutch-Chocolate Muffins and Norwegian Kringla Cookies. \$60.00
29. **Tropical Brunch #1** – **On the menu:** Mango Smoothies, Tropical Fruit Salad, Coconut-Pecan Waffles with Warm Rum-Raisin Sauce, Glazed Canadian Bacon, Macadamia-Nut Scones with Pineapple Preserves. \$60.00
30. **Healthy Brunch Featuring Foods High in Antioxidants** – **On the menu:** Blueberry-Pomegranate Smoothies, Honey-Nut Chicken Salad, Toasted Almond Scones, Oat-bran Muffins, Dark Chocolate and Walnut Granola Bars. \$60.00
31. **Appetizers, Appetizers and more Appetizers:** **On the menu:** Mock Sangria, Roasted Vegetable Quesadillas, Honey-Nut Ham Spread, Chicken Appetizer Pizza, Bruschetta with Artichoke Topping, Tapenade on Crostini. \$60.00

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32. **Tea Party Favorites: *On the menu:*** Various Hot Teas, Scones with Devonshire Cream, Mini Fruit and Yogurt Muffins, Chicken Salad on Puff Pastry or Cucumber and Roasted Red Pepper Sandwiches and Madeleine's. \$55.00
33. **Taste and See. . . that the Lord is Good! - *On the menu:*** Pomegranate-Cranberry Spritzer, Mount of Olives - Tapenade served on Crostini, Sea of Galilee – St. Peter's Fish - Panko-Coated Tilapia, Roasted Vegetables, Israeli Couscous, and "The Land of Milk and Honey" Cookies. \$60.00
34. **Taste and See. . . that the Lord is Good! – Take 2 - *On the menu:*** Pomegranate-Blueberry Spritzer, Mount of Olives - Tapenade served on Zucchini or Jicama, Sea of Galilee – St. Peter's Fish – Plank-grilled Tilapia, Stir-Grilled Vegetables, Israeli Couscous, and "The Land of Milk and Honey" Fruit Parfaits. \$60.00

The following menus are Gluten Free:

1. **Eat Healthy – Tropical-Style: *On the menu:*** Passion Fruit Spritzers, Tossed Green Salad with Passion Fruit Vinaigrette, Herb Rubbed Pork Tenderloin with Pineapple Salsa and Mango Sorbet. \$60.00
2. **Eat Healthy – European-Style: *On the menu:*** Mock Wine Spritzers, European Tossed Green Salad with Red Wine Vinaigrette, Rosemary Roasted Chicken, Jasmine Rice and Chocolate Dipped Strawberries. \$60.00
3. **Eat Healthy – Southwestern-Style: *On the menu:*** Mock Sangria Spritzers, Southwestern Beef Soup with Chipotle Corn Chutney, BBQ-Ranch Chicken Salad and Honey-Sweet Salsa Sundaes. \$60.00
4. **Healthy and Elegant 3-Course Dinner - *On the menu:*** Passion Fruit Spritzers, Tossed Greens with Light Vinaigrette, Honey-Ginger Salmon with Mango Salsa, Citrus Rice and Pavlova (meringue with fruit). \$60.00
5. **Healthy and Elegant 3-Course Dinner #2 - *On the menu:*** Passion Fruit Spritzers, Strawberry-Avocado Salad with Walnut Vinaigrette, BBQ Salmon on Cedar Plank with Mango Salsa, Coconut Rice and Fresh Fruit Parfaits. \$60.00
6. **Elegant 3-Course Dinner – *On the menu:*** Mock Wine Spritzers, Tossed Greens with Apples, Pecans and Hazelnut Vinaigrette, Balsamic-Butter Glazed Chicken Breasts, Jasmine Rice and Chocolate Mousse. \$60.00
7. **4-Course Dinner - *On the menu:*** Cranberry Spritzers, Tossed Spinach with Roasted Red Peppers and Pine Nuts with Red Wine Vinaigrette, Creamy Asparagus Soup, Grilled and Herb-Marinaded Pork Tenderloin, Sugar Snap Peas with Browned Butter Sauce and Decadent Flourless Chocolate Cake. \$65.00
8. **4-Course Dinner # 1- *On the menu:*** Blueberry-Pomegranate Spritzers, Tossed Spinach with Roasted Red Peppers and Pine Nuts with Red Wine Vinaigrette, Creamy Potato Soup, Pork Medallions with Maple-Brandy Sauce, Green Beans with Toasted Walnuts and Cream Brulee. \$60.00
9. **4-Course Dinner #2 - *On the menu:*** Cranberry Spritzers, Tossed Greens with Braeburn Apples, Dried Cherries and Toasted Pecans with Hazelnut Vinaigrette, Roasted Red Pepper Bisque, Tilapia with Balsamic-Butter Sauce and Coconut Cream Brulee. \$60.00
10. **4-Course Dinner #3 - *On the menu:*** Cran-Raspberry Spritzers, Tossed Greens with Pears, Cherries and Pecan Vinaigrette, Creamy Potato Leek Soup, Beef Tenderloin with Cranberry Wine Sauce, Glazed Carrots and Caramel-Apple Meringues. \$75.00
11. **"Cherry" Dinner – *On the menu:*** Cherry Spritzers, Tossed Red Leaf Lettuce with Dried Cherries and Nuts with a Toasted Pecan Vinaigrette, Rubbed and Roasted "Peppered Pork Tenderloin," served with Cherry Cream Sauce or Cherry Salsa served over rice and Cherry-Chocolate Flourless Chocolate Cake. \$60.00
12. **Special Occasion Dinner – *On the menu:*** Cranberry Spritzers, Bibb Lettuce with Fresh Mozzarella Cheese, Roasted Red Pepper and Toasted Pine Nuts with Balsamic Vinaigrette, Herb-Rubbed Rib-eye Steaks, Sugar-Snap Peas, Coeur ala Crème with Raspberry Sauce served on Dark Chocolate Doilies. \$70.00

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13. **Elegant Tropical Dinner – *On the menu:*** Passion Fruit Spritzers, Pineapple-Macadamia Nut Spread on Pecan Thins, Coconut and Snow Pea Soup, Tossed Greens with Mandarin Oranges with Almond Vinaigrette, Rum-Raisin Chicken Breasts on Jasmine Rice, Coconut Meringues with Caramelized Pineapple. \$60.00
14. **All-American Brunch – *On the menu:*** Fruity Spritzers, Seasonal Fresh Fruit Salad, Creamy Scrambled Eggs with Tomatoes and Chives, Baked Bacon with Apricot Topping, Spring Vegetable Medley and Cheesecake Parfaits. \$60.00
15. **Taste and See. . . that the Lord is Good! - *On the menu:*** Pomegranate-Cranberry Spritzer, Mount of Olives - Tapenade served on Gluten Free Crackers, Sea of Galilee – St. Peter’s Fish – Pecan-Crusted Tilapia, Roasted Vegetables, and “Fruits of the Spirit” Cheesecake Parfaits. \$60.00
16. **Taste and See. . . that the Lord is Good! – Take 2 - *On the menu:*** Pomegranate-Blueberry Spritzer, Mount of Olives - Tapenade served on Zucchini or Jicama, Sea of Galilee – St. Peter’s Fish – Plank-grilled Tilapia, Stir-Grilled Vegetables, and “The Land of Milk and Honey” Fruit Parfaits. \$60.00
17. **A Little Italy in Iowa –*On the menu:*** Mock White Wine Spritzers, Caprese Salad, Creamy Tomato Basil Soup, Pan-fried Chicken served with a Balsamic Reduction, Jasmine Rice and Poached Pears with Chantilly Cream. \$60.00
18. **Dinner from the Grill – *On the menu:*** Curried Chicken Tenders (Appetizer), Salmon with Mango-Chipotle Sauce (entrée), Stir-Grilled Seasonal Vegetables (vegetable) and Honeyed Grilled Peaches & Ice Cream (dessert). \$60.00
19. **Sensational Summer Dinner Menu – *On the menu:*** Crunchy Coleslaw with Honey Dressing, Pecan-Crusted Catfish, Creamy Iowa Corn, and Raspberry Cheesecake Parfaits. \$60.00
20. **Sensational Summer Dinner Menu #2 – *On the menu:*** Creamy Mango Soup, Italian Chicken Salad, Summer’s Bounty Roasted Corn Salad, Sweet Potato Salad, and Fresh Peach and Raspberry Cheesecake Parfaits. \$60.00

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