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CHEF MARISOL MURANO

"Deliciously Doable Small Plates from Around the World"

A Few Small Bites About Chef Marisol

After a few years running the corporate rat race, Marisol Murano woke up to this one day, "Even if you win the race, you're still a rat." That was the end of her banking career and the birth of her first novel: *The Lady, The Chef, and The Courtesan* (HarperCollins).

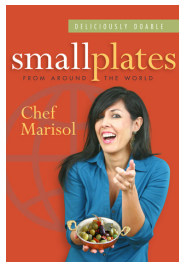
Marisol was the first to be surprised when the novel—launched at BookExpo America—was named Latino book of the Year, Original Voices from Border's and was picked as a BookSense selection. She was further surprised when it was translated into several languages.

A detour between novels led her to become a chef. Having launched her culinary career with the publication of her best-selling novel, Chef Marisol brings her considerable writing talent to the table. This makes reading the stories sprinkled

throughout *Deliciously Doable Small Plates from Around the World* not only a culinary pleasure, but a reading pleasure as well.

As for her culinary influences, Chef Marisol's feet are firmly planted in the rich gastronomic soil of her Venezuelan roots, a country known for the culinary influences of Italy, Spain, and Portugal. Having honed her culinary artistry in kitchens from Bali to Barcelona, Chef Marisol now travels around the world teaching hands-on cooking classes, conducting culinary demonstrations and guided tours of local markets and bazaars.

She holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Marketing, A Master's degree in Organizational Management, as well as a Chef de Cuisine degree from Johnson & Wales University. She is fluent in several languages.



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