

A STARTING POINT FOR FOOD PHOTOGRAPHY ~ TIPS AND HINTS

- Look for a focal point
- Look at meal perhaps as a landscape scene
- Look at textures, colours, freshness, layout of meal
- Example roast chicken and vegies:
Chicken could be the mountains, vegies the foreground, (probably different levels), then step the eye from foreground to background. A Landscape.
- Another option for landscape photography is taking an image from a helicopter so an aerial view and likewise shooting from above really works well with food, showing the textures and layout of the dish.
- The $\frac{3}{4}$ angle (25-75 degree in relation to your subject) is a popular angle as you can usually show the front and surface of the dish as well as the sides.
- Watch out for distracting background. Create your own
- Suggested camera settings is f/stop as low as your camera will allow f/2.8 ideal but most of us it will be about f/4.0. Shutter speed of 1/200 and ISO 100. Experiment as it will depend on light and time of day/night that images is being taken.

Another Option: Check out <https://digital-photography-school.com/>

And Search for: dps Ultimate Guide to Food Photography. There are also other tutorials to view as well, but this is only a starting point. They are offering free membership to a number of tutorials and tips. One being the: *The dps Ultimate Guide to Food Photography* which you can download and save. It is 40 pages of interesting information and ideas.