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## Giada De Laurentiis

A Winning Combination

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## ESSENTIALS

Great food and wine need not be fussy. With quality ingredients on the menu, you'll need little more than a few key serving pieces to put together a sumptuous spread to please any palate. Feast your eyes on these delectable delights.



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It's often referred to as "liquid gold," and indeed, prices for gourmet *olive oils*

come close. But once your palate becomes accustomed to the taste of a fine oil, there is no chance of going back to the plastic-bottle variety.

Go beyond olives and try Mustapha's Argan Oil, derived from the Moroccan argan tree. And don't forget a dark, rich balsamic vinegar such as Tondo.

CLOCKWISE FROM FAR LEFT: oil served in one of **Donna Karan's** Seven Easy Pieces

plates, \$425, Neiman Marcus; **Trudeau** Perfect Mix oil & vinegar bottle, \$30,

Sur La Table stores or [surlatable.com](http://surlatable.com); **Tondo** black Balsamic of Modena, \$80/8.4 oz.,

Sabatino & Co., [sabatinoandco.com](http://sabatinoandco.com); **Pornanino** extra virgin olive oil/Italy, \$35, [Via Girasole Gourmet,](http://ViaGirasoleGourmet.com)

[viagirasole.com](http://viagirasole.com); **Mustapha's** organic argan oil, \$45, [mustaphas.com](http://mustaphas.com); **Las Doscientas** Arbequina extra virgin olive

oil from Chile, \$18, [fosterfinefoods.com](http://fosterfinefoods.com), [latienda.com](http://latienda.com); **Calivirgin** premium extra virgin olive oil from California,

\$28/500 ml, Coldani Olive Ranch, [calivirgin.com](http://calivirgin.com); **Fig & Olive** Koroneiki from Greece, \$14, [Fig & Olive, bestoliveoilstore.com](http://Fig&Olive.com)