

Supper Sleuths presents

At the Stroke of Murder



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Player Booklet

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Player Booklet and Secret Clue

How to Play the Game

This room is full of murder suspects – and you are one of them! You must try to figure out who the murderer is tonight, by both accusing your fellow players and also trying to convince everyone else that you are innocent.

This game has four rounds, each round revealing new pieces of information about each character. Do not turn the page in your player's booklet until the host tells you to do so.

On the top of each page is information you are to share with the whole group. You can either ad lib or read directly from the page, but make sure that before moving on to the next round, you share all information on the top of each page with the whole group.

On the bottom of the page, you will see hidden information about your character. Do not reveal this information until you think it is the appropriate time. You may not lie if someone asks you about this information, but you do not need to offer incriminating evidence about yourself without a direct question. However, if you find out that you are the murderer, **DO NOT TELL!** If asked about it, you should say, "I am not aware of that information at this time," or just lie if you have to. Likewise, if someone asks you a question you do not know the answer to, just say, "I am not aware of that information at this time." The murderer is the only one permitted to lie at any time in this game.

There are also 8 secret clues that different players will reveal throughout the night. Make sure you do not look at your clue until your player's booklet tells you to look at it and pass it around to the group. When that time comes, just detach it and pass it around. You may also use the next page to take notes throughout the evening.

At the start of the game, the killer is not aware of his or her identity – it could even be you! Be suspicious of everyone's motives, and remain in character throughout the evening. After dessert, you will be given a chance to make your accusation. You may accuse any player of being the killer, including yourself. However, you must give evidence from the clues, and again, **DO NOT TELL** if the booklet says you are the killer! Have fun!

Appetizers

Share this information with the group:

Bienvenue! Welcome to our chateau. I am so glad we were available to host the group tonight, last minute. I have given up seats at zee football field in Spain for this tonight. But please make yourselves at home, I guess one of you already did too much actually. We rented out the chateau tonight to help bring it back to life and to bring zee spice back into the kitchen. I guess we got chili pepper, no? My dear Genevieve, don't start crying. Grandmere would be very proud except for the murder part of the night. She was always saying that she wanted our family to be well known. Maybe we'll get an article in the paper and business will stir a bit.

Appetizers

Hidden Information:

(Do not share until you feel it's necessary.)

When your "wife" says something harsh, say, "**She never says that!**" emphatically to let others know she must be really upset. "Crying? Yes. This attitude? No!"

When your wife says anything at all about your grandmother, say, "May her soul rest in peace."

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Soup/Salad

Share this information with the group:

My, this food is good. Do we have more of this in back for me to have a teensy midnight snack, Chef Jacques? Just a smidgen of this food will settle my aching stomach that you have all caused to be in pain. I will take just a bit more than everyone else, no? With zee understanding that I am zee owner and need it for my pains.

Soup/Salad

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You have no new hidden information to share during this round.
Feel free to ad lib and focus on the food!

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Main Course

Share this information with the group after all of the suspects:

Mingle, mingle, everyone, but please, for the love of all that is good, please figure this out. I don't think I can bear one more agonizing moment of hearing the litany of troubled things you have all done here. Genevieve, can you get me the tums? My ulcer is acting up again; last time Vievey was crying all night when she saw me wincing in pain. Sweetest angel in zee world, she is but if it isn't the most annoying thing in the world to see her tear up at the drop of a hat. Almost worse than the offence itself. Oh dear, don't get started again.

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Dessert

Share this after all of the other guests shared:

Alright, enough playtime, let's figure out who did this awful deed. I hope you will forgive my brashness, but really, to have this many convicts and reprobates under one roof at once, it's almost like a reality show in America. I hope you can forgive my wife and I for asking all of you to please get out of here as soon as is earthly possible. If there is any way in the blessed universe for us to help to lift you up and out, we will gladly do so. As my grandmere always said, never a trust bunch of, how do you say...freeloaders, no?

Dessert

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Solve the Mystery

Take a few moments to think through the following questions and decide for yourself who committed the murder. There are a lot of crooked guests here, but only one is a murderer!

Motive:

Who would most want to kill this woman? Why?

Weapon:

Who would have had the means to do so?

Overall Evidence:

Whom does the evidence point to most strongly?

I, Gustav Masse, believe

**committed the murder of
R. I. P.**