18 Dishes Every Home Cook Should Know How to Make, According to Chefs

Add these basics to your repertoire.

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A Good Breakfast

"The one thing everyone should know how to cook is breakfast—even a simple breakfast. Waking up to the smells of coffee, toast, and perfectly cooked eggs means those you're cooking for will have a great start to their day. Also, imagine if your partner or mom or dad or friend or kid is the one cooking for YOU while you're rubbing your eyes, stretching, and greeting a new day—how great is that?!" — *Mark Ellman*, *Chef/Owner of Frida's Mexican Beach House and Honu Seafood & Pizza in Lahaina, Maui*