

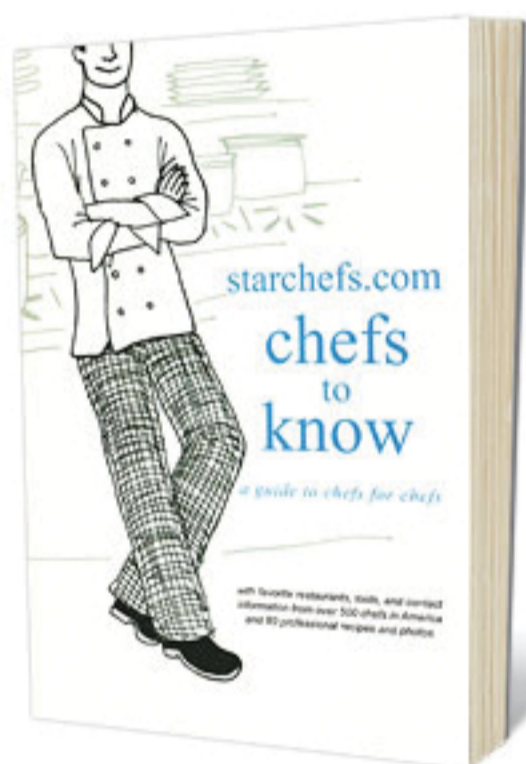


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Back of the House

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What to Expect on Your Job Interview With Gordon Ramsay



If they're not here, they don't matter!

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Union Square Café's Michael Romano had a good one, too: "It's now 3 months after your hire date. You wake up every morning and are really happy to come to work. Why?"

• L'Atelier de Joël Robuchon's Yosuke Suga got a dog-ear from us with his favorite tools: "my own hands." Sure, it's obvious, but everyone else says microplanes, Japanese mandolins, and the like.

• Of course, we can't open any book of chefs without seeing if our hero, Gordon Ramsay, is glowering back at us. Gordo takes the opportunity to plug his new Royal Doulton oven, but we like his interview approach: He asks candidates "to cook something from a selection of scraps and leftovers that I give them." The results, of course, are served to patrons as specials of the house. (Not really, but it would be the Ramsay move.)

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