



Catalan Food Academy brings Catalan cuisine to Texas through a new partnership with Austin Community College

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As part of an ongoing partnership between Prodeca and leading culinary institutions in the United States, Austin Community College will host the third session of the 2025 [*Catalan Food Academy: Taste of Catalonia - Culinary Masterclass*](#) program. Scheduled for Thursday, September 4, the event will bring together culinary students and faculty members to explore traditional Catalan cuisine.

About the Collaboration

This educational initiative, led by Prodeca—the public agency responsible for the promotion of Catalonia’s agri-food sector—and coordinated through its program Catalan Food U.S. in collaboration with academic partners, aims to bring the richness of Catalan cuisine to professional training environments. By combining cultural context with practical sessions, the program provides students with the tools to understand and prepare iconic Catalan dishes with authenticity and technique.

Event Highlights

The day will begin with a culinary masterclass, during which Chef Alba Sunyer will present the roots of Catalan gastronomy. Students will gain insight into key techniques, the background of each dish, and the cultural values they represent, deepening their understanding of Catalonia’s gastronomic identity.

Following the masterclass, participants will join a hands-on Pa amb Tomàquet workshop, where Chef Sunyer will guide them step by step through the preparation of this essential Catalan dish—from ingredient selection to the precise gestures that bring out its signature flavor and texture.

As the program continues its 2025 journey across the U.S., this third session will reinforce Prodeca’s mission to inspire future chefs through meaningful culinary encounters rooted in Catalan tradition.

About Chef Alba Sunyer

Born in Sullent, Barcelona, Chef Alba Sunyer is dedicated to sharing the richness of Catalan culinary heritage. Founder of The Mediterranean Corner in South Carolina and author of The Catalan Table, Chef Alba's work embodies her passion for preserving and promoting Catalonia's gastronomic culture.

More About Catalan Food US

#CatalanFoodUS, an initiative by Prodeca, aims to introduce and integrate Catalan gastronomy and products into the U.S. market. As part of Catalonia's designation as the World Region of Gastronomy for 2025, this program includes a comprehensive catalog of products and activities designed to build a professional network and community for culinary enthusiasts in the United States.

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