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Eat Their Words

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"Wine Bar Food: Mediterranean Flavors to Crave With Wines to Match," by Cathy Mantuano and Tony Mantuano

Gotta love the Mediterranean flavors. They're so ... European. (Do we know our geography or what?) On that side of the planet, wine bars are great places to unwind while sipping and sampling small plates of food. The Mantuanos - who are opening a restaurant in Miami's South Beach, by the way - offer a book full of great, easy-to-make finger foods, from parmigiano flatbread to grilled short ribs and pomegranate-glazed salmon. The recipes look so good, you might be tempted to lick your fingertips. Then again, maybe not.