



## WHAT THE HECK?

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**Landlubber:** Personal chef Francesco Valentini will come to your house and prepare a Tuscan dinner. Last week he cooked a five-course meal at Matthew Fox's Kailua home for the "Lost" star and his guests, members of the band Green Day.

But keep him on dry land. He was asked to cook dinner on a 50-foot sailing yacht for a visiting Japanese couple. He had no problems cooking on moored yachts, but this was a cruise. In no time, Valentini says, he was white as sheet and sick as a dog. He had to get the yacht's captain to finish the rack of lamb for him.

The couple tipped him \$100. "I couldn't go out and thank them. I was lying down on the floor of the galley." For your next dinner afloat, find another chef.

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