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Mr. Francesco Valentini  
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Dear Mr. Valentini:

I would like to thank you for the dinner that you prepared at my house. It was outstanding in every respect.

The food: all fresh ingredients, prepared from scratch, it was a treat for our taste buds. The polenta was the best I ever had; and the tomato sauce; where did you get those tomatoes from; and what was the name again of the homemade Italian "schnapps" that you poured over the sorbet? And your professionalism; the right amount of attentiveness towards the guests without being intrusive. And the kitchen was clean when you left!

My guests and I enjoyed the dinner thoroughly. And it accomplished its goal. My guests were impressed. They still talk about it. There is something about having dinner with "important" guests in the privacy of your home. It becomes a more personal affair. And I get the credit, as: "remember the dinner at Dr. Müller's house."

Again, thank you for an outstanding dinner and I wish you every success with your enterprise.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Peter Müller".

Peter Müller  
Professor of Oceanography

PS: I also appreciated your advice in selecting the right wines for the different courses. They fit perfectly.