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Eagle Street Rooftop Farm in Brooklyn, photographed by Selby

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For the past five years, lifestyle photographer Todd Selby has shot hipster-aspirational interiors everywhere, posting the photos to his blog, *TheSelby.com*, and disseminating his perfectly imperfect home aesthetic. Which also makes him a human encyclopedia of the world's coolest restaurants; his favorites are included in his new photo and recipe book, *Edible Selby* (Abrams). (Some material was also pulled from his *T Magazine* blog.) He dishes on where we all should be eating right now. — JULIE VADNAL

But first: Why a food book?

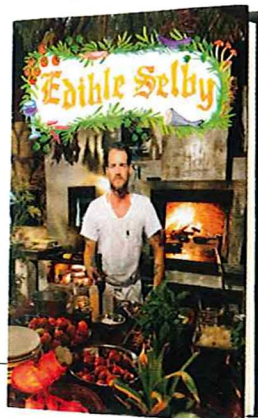
I started thinking about what I'm passionate about. That's food. I have this borderline obsession with where I'm going to eat, what's going on, what's changing, and what's the new thing. Like some people are with fashion, that's me with food.

What's your favorite food city?

San Fran is really happening for me. A lot of it has to do with Chez Panisse and the French Laundry. [There's also] Mission Chinese (missionchinesefood.com), Bar Jules (barjules.com), Bar Tartine (bartartine.com),

and [ice cream shop] Humphry Slocombe (humphryslocombe.com).

What's it like to switch from shooting interiors to food? Food is so much more intense. A lot of these shots were taken in just five seconds!



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