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TEASER

SC. 1 - INT. TWILIGHT'S CASTLE/THRONE ROOM - DAY

Twilight Sparkle and Starlight Glimmer stand next to the map. Spike and the Mane 5 stand by listening.

1 TWILIGHT
As you've all probably noticed,
it's been quite some time since the
map has sent us on a mission of
friendship.

2 SPIKE
Yea, ever since Starlight messed
with it to go back in time and
tried to change history.

Starlight cringes. Twilight shoots Spike a look.

3 TWILIGHT
Yes. Since then.
(then)
But as part of her studies
Starlight has been assisting me and
together we think we've come up
with a spell that will get it
working again.

Starlight beams. The others cheer and offer words of encouragement.

4 TWILIGHT (CONT'D)
Now, without further ado...

Twilight and Starlight power up their horns. Their magic blends together and hits the map. It fritzes on and off (like an old TV set) and finally with a power up noise, fully comes alive.

All of their cutie marks begin popping on and off in different combinations.

5 PINKIE PIE
Fluttershy and Twilight in
Appleosa! NO! Me and Rainbow Dash
in Las Pegasus! NO! Rainbow Dash
and Twilight in Yakyakistan! NO!
TWILIGHT AND TWILIGHT IN TWILIGHT'S
CASTLE!? Wait! Rarity and Applejack
in the ocean! WHO NEEDS HELP IN THE
MIDDLE OF THE OCEAN?!

Like a slot machine, the map finally rests first on Pinkie Pie (whose cutie mark shimmers magically)...

6 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
ME! ME! ME!

And then Rarity (whose cutie mark also shimmers).

7 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
AND RARITY!!!! Ooooo I hope it's
some far away place that nopony has
gone before!

8 RARITY
(calmly)
Well. Maybe not TOO far away. An
adventure somewhere that has modern
conveniences would be preferable.

The map rests on Canterlot.

9 RARITY (CONT'D)
(Super excited)
CANTERLOT! This is wonderful! I can
check the boutique! Perhaps there
will be some social events that we
can attend! I'll have to pack extra
outfits! OH! Maybe the friendship
problem will involve a prince or
visiting dignitary! What will I
wear!

Rarity rushes out. Beat.

10 PINKIE PIE
You know, some ponies get excited
about the silliest things.

Off the other ponies expressions we...

END TEASER

MAIN TITLES

ACT ONE

SC. 2 - EXT. CANTERLOT TRAIN STATION - DAY

Rarity and Pinkie depart the Friendship Express. Rarity takes
in a deep breath.

11 RARITY
Now then. As far as finding a proper friendship problem, I suggest we start at the castle and begin to question the proper--

12 PINKIE PIE
Oh Rarity, you don't find a friendship problem. It finds you! We just need to go with the flow and eventually KABLAM! We get friendship problem'd right between the eyes!

To illustrate, Pinkie bumps her hoof right between her eyes.

13 RARITY
Well...this is a team effort so if you feel we should go with the flow then we shall go with the flow!

They both stand there for a beat.

14 RARITY (CONT'D)
Where is the flow saying we should go?

15 PINKIE PIE
You know Canterlot! What do you think we should do?

16 RARITY
Take your pick! Culture, couture, cuisine!

On "cuisine" Pinkie's stomach grumbles loudly.

17 RARITY (CONT'D)
Are you all right dear?

18 PINKIE PIE
Yea. Just a little hungry.

Pinkie's stomach grumbles again. Louder.

19 RARITY
Oh my. Well, it sounds like your stomach is saying we should flow towards some lunch?

Pinkie's stomach growls comically loud.

20 RARITY (CONT'D)
Follow me. I know JUST where to go!

SC. 3 - EXT. RESTAURANT ROW - LATER

Pinkie and Rarity stand at the top of a long, very upscale street. Both sides are lined with très fancy looking restaurants that all look similar.

21 RARITY
Restaurant Row. The absolute best place for fine dining in all of Equestria.

22 PINKIE PIE
Oooooo so many choices! Where should we go? This one? That one? Those ones?

Rarity walks to the window of the closest restaurant and motions to a sign that has three hoofprints on it.

23 RARITY
Any establishments that have this.
(dramatically)
A THREE HOOF RATING.

24 PINKIE PIE
Ah. Three Hooves... Ummmm... whose hooves?

25 RARITY
Why, Zesty Gourmand, the queen of cuisine. When it comes to food she is the ultimate authority in Canterlot and thus all Equestria! She judges a restaurant on cuisine, decor and presentation. Without her approval a restaurant simply cannot survive.

26 PINKIE PIE
What's so important about her approval?

27 RARITY
Zesty's family used to run the royal kitchens! They prepared dining experiences for Princess Celestia's guests from all across Equestria! Zesty grew up around fine dining and everypony hangs on her every word when it comes to cuisine.

28 PINKIE PIE
WOW. Then the food here must be
AMAZING! Lead the way partner!!

Rarity trots towards a restaurant. She checks the window,
sees three hooves, nods and walks in.

SC. 4 - INT. FANCY RESTAURANT - MOMENTS LATER

Pinkie and Rarity sit at a fancy table inside the sparsely
decorated, stylish but cold restaurant. A snooty waiter with
his mane flipped dramatically to one side places a tray in
front of Pinkie (who is bouncing with excitement).

He dramatically lifts the tray revealing the meal underneath.
It's a "deconstructed meal." Just a few small pieces of food
with an artistic drizzle of sauce on the side. Pinkie looks
at it warily. Rarity gasps in delight.

29 RARITY
Oh my. Such presentation!

Rarity samples the food. She clearly doesn't love it, but
refuses to say so.

30 RARITY (CONT'D)
Ah yes. Very nice.

Pinkie tries the food and makes a face.

31 PINKIE PIE
Um... maybe I'm not in the mood
for... whatever this is. Can we try
someplace else?

The waiter arches an eyebrow.

CUT TO:

SC. 5 - INT. FANCY RESTAURANT # 2 - CONTINUOUS

Pinkie and Rarity sit at a nearly identical table in a nearly
identical restaurant as a nearly identical snooty waiter with
his mane flipped to the side lifts a nearly identical tray.

Pinkie cautiously tries the food. She makes a face again.

32 PINKIE PIE
Maybe one more stop?

CUT TO:

SC. 6- INT. FANCY RESTAURANT # 3 - CONTINUOUS

Pinkie and Rarity find themselves in a nearly identical situation once again. Tray gets lifted. Pinkie tries it.

33 PINKIE PIE
Nope.

CUT TO:

SC. 7 - EXT. RESTAURANT ROW - CONTINUOUS

Pinkie and Rarity stand outside on the street.

34 RARITY
I think you're being a bit dramatic. Any one of those restaurants should have been perfectly adequate.

35 PINKIE PIE
Maybe instead of trusting somepony else's hooves I should pick the next place?

36 RARITY
Very well.

Pinkie stands on her back hooves and stretches her front hooves out. She takes in a big breath through her nose and starts spinning around. She zigs right, zags left and let's her nose lead her down restaurant row in a very convoluted way.

37 RARITY (CONT'D)
(rolling her eyes)
Oh for goodness sake.

Rarity does her best to follow Pinkie's impossible to follow path. Pinkie detours off of Restaurant Row and heads down an alleyway.

SC. 8 - EXT. TASTY TREAT - CONTINUOUS

Pinkie stops in front of a small hole in the wall restaurant. It's painted in bright colors and has ornately designed curtains in the window. Very exotic and very "rustic" looking.

38 RARITY
(reading the sign)
The Tasty Treat. It's very...
(MORE)

RARITY (CONT'D)
rustic. Are you sure about this?
(stage whisper)
It looks like they haven't even
been rated!

39 PINKIE PIE
Thank goodness!!

Pinkie bounces inside. Rarity looks around nervously and follows.

SC. 9 - INT. TASTY TREAT - CONTINUOUS

The inside of the Tasty Treat is decorated in similar fashion. Lots of color, very eclectic. The opposite in every way from the minimalist decor of the previous restaurants.

It is also completely empty. Pinkie bounces over to a table and sits.

40 RARITY
Are we sure they are open?

Pinkie inhales deeply.

41 PINKIE PIE
It smells open!

A young pony dressed in an exotic looking outfit, SAFFRON MASALA, storms out of the kitchen. She sees them, freezes and stares. After an awkward beat.

42 SAFFRON MASALA
(incredulous)
Are you here for lunch?

43 PINKIE PIE
Yesindeedy!

Saffron leaps into action.

44 SAFFRON MASALA
(speaking quickly)
I'm Saffron Masala, the chef here
at the Tasty Treat! The most exotic
cuisine in Canterlot. Would you
like to hear about the specials?

45 RARITY
We're actually in a bit of--

46 PINKIE PIE
YES PLEASE!

47 SAFFRON MASALA
(overjoyed)
We have a curried oatcake--

48 PINKIE PIE
We'll take one!

49 SAFFRON MASALA
And a grass sandwich that has been
marinated overnight in a mustard
dijon dressing.

50 PINKIE PIE
How can we say no to that?

51 SAFFRON MASALA
(to Rarity)
And for you?

52 RARITY
Oh, I'm fine. Thank you.
(aside to Pinkie)
No rating.

Pinkie rolls her eyes. Saffron nods eagerly and rushes into the kitchen.

An older pony (also dressed in an exotic outfit) walks out of the kitchen muttering under his breath, CORIANDER CUMIN. He is as grumpy as Saffron was excited. He completely ignores Pinkie and Rarity and starts stacking chairs at the empty tables.

53 PINKIE PIE
Hiya! What's your name?

Coriander answers the following without ever looking up from his task.

54 CORIANDER CUMIN
Coriander Cumin.

55 PINKIE PIE
Are you a chef here too?

56 CORIANDER CUMIN
My daughter cooks. I host.

57 PINKIE PIE
Then why are you stacking chairs?

58 CORIANDER CUMIN
Without customers I have no one to
host for. So I stack.

Saffron comes out balancing three plates of food. She notices the stacked chairs.

59 SAFFRON MASALA
Father! STOP IT! Don't close up the restaurant around our guests!

60 CORIANDER CUMIN
What does it matter? When they leave nopony else will be coming in!

Saffron comes up to the table and slams the plates in front of Pinkie.

61 SAFFRON MASALA
Well your attitude isn't going to bring anyone in! Can't you at least pretend to be positive?

Pinkie samples the food and let's out a relieved sigh.

62 PINKIE PIE
Soooooooo goooooood!

63 CORIANDER CUMIN
You are doing enough pretending for both of us. Nopony here wants to try anything new. I know when to throw in the towel!

64 RARITY
Um. Pinkie, perhaps we should excuse ourselves.

But Pinkie is in food heaven.

65 PINKIE PIE
Rarity, try this!

Rarity is focused on the argument but absently takes a bite. Her eyes widen in surprise. It's very good.

66 SAFFRON MASALA
Maybe if you would listen to my ideas for once--

67 CORIANDER CUMIN
Oh yes, I didn't move halfway across Equestria for my daughter that I NEVER listen to!

As Coriander and Saffron continue to argue Pinkie leans in to Rarity.

68 PINKIE PIE

(whispering)

Rarity. I think that friendship problem just KABLAMMED us right between the eyes.

Pinkie bumps her hoof between her eyes for emphasis.

69 RARITY

(whispering back)

These two? I don't know darling. The food IS excellent, but I'm not sure there's much you and I can do to help them.

Back on Coriander and Saffron's argument.

70 CORIANDER CUMIN

What would you have me do? We can't even get Zesty Gourmand to come to our restaurant! She took one look at how empty it was and said it wasn't even worth rating!

Rarity dramatically leaps to her feet.

71 RARITY

THAT'S IT!!

Pinkie leaps up next to her.

72 PINKIE PIE

YES!!

(then)

What's it?

73 RARITY

That's how we can help! The flow HAS led us here! THIS is our mission! We are going to get you a Three Hoof rating and save your restaurant!

74 CORIANDER CUMIN

How do you intend to do such a thing?

75 RARITY

Darling, if anypony knows how to navigate the social dynamics of Canterlot society, I do. I can get Zesty Gourmand here.

76 PINKIE PIE
And I can pack this place with
ponies!! We can make this place a
hit in no time!

77 PINKIE PIE AND RARITY
Just leave it to us!

Off of Saffron's excitement and Coriander's concern we...

END ACT ONE

ACT TWO

SC. 10 - INT. TASTY TREAT - DAY

Saffron paces nervously, Coriander Cumin is packing dishes in the corner. Pinkie happily eats at a table.

78 SAFFRON MASALA
Father will you PLEASE stop packing
things?

79 CORIANDER CUMIN
When the lovely pony comes back and
says she couldn't convince Zesty
Gourmand to come visit us we will
need to pack all of this up. I'm
just getting a head start.

80 PINKIE PIE
You really don't know Rarity.

Rarity comes rushing in.

81 RARITY
I've done it!

82 PINKIE PIE
See?

83 RARITY
It took all of my charm and
cajoling but I was able to convince
Zesty Gourmand to come try the
food!

84 SAFFRON MASALA
See father?

85 CORIANDER CUMIN
What's the catch?

86 RARITY
Ah, yes. Well, there IS a bit of...
a challenge. She's very busy. The
only time she can make herself
available is tonight.

Coriander scoffs and returns to packing his plates.

87 SAFFRON MASALA
What is it?

88 RARITY
Zesty rates a restaurant on
cuisine, decor AND presentation.
And she has very specific tastes.
If she's coming tonight there IS
quite a bit of work that needs to
get done.

89 PINKIE PIE
Like what?

Rarity motions to their surroundings.

90 RARITY
A tweak here, A tuck there. Some
slight modifications to the menu.
We just need to make the place feel
more cosmopolitan.

91 CORIANDER CUMIN
We will never be cosmopolitan
enough for Zesty Gourmand.

92 SAFFRON MASALA
Father, after Rarity went to all of
this trouble for us, can't we at
least try?

93 RARITY
If we're going to make this work,
perhaps it may be best that we
divide and conquer.
(to Pinkie)
Why don't I stay behind with
Coriander to get the restaurant
ready for Zesty's arrival. Pinkie,
you and Saffron can try to drum up
some business. We can't have her
show up to an empty restaurant.

Pinkie salutes and grabs Saffron.

94 PINKIE PIE
One packed restaurant coming right
up.

Pinkie grabs Saffron and exits. Coriander looks nervous.

95 RARITY
Coriander, I understand your
trepidation. But I promise you
we'll get those hooves by making
this place feel just like all of
the other restaurants on Restaurant
Row!

SC. 11 - EXT. TASTY TREAT - CONTINUOUS

Pinkie and Saffron walk towards Restaurant Row

96 SAFFRON MASALA
I hope my father doesn't drive
Rarity crazy.

97 PINKIE PIE
It will be fine. Rarity's going to
make sure that The Tasty Treat is
the most unique and beautiful
restaurant in Canterlot! Not like
all those stuffy places on
Restaraunt Row!

SC. 12 - INT. TASTY TREAT - CONTINUOUS

MUSIC UP. Rarity moves furniture out of the way and begins to
take down anything unique and colorful from the walls.

98 RARITY
*Here's what I know
If you want to succeed
You must follow the trends, that's
the key.*

She looks critically at Coriander. She plays with his mane
until it resembles the fancy flipped manes from the waiters
earlier.

99 RARITY (CONT'D)
*If you want to show
That you've got what it takes
You must be what they want you to
be*

SC. 13 - EXT. STREETS OF CANTERLOT - CONTINUOUS

Pinkie bounces along confidently, Saffron nervous beside her.

100 PINKIE PIE
*Here's what I know
You're food is so good
All the flavors so fancy and free*

Pinkie reaches offscreen and grabs one of those large arrow signs with the Tasty Treat logo on it. She begins flipping it around.

101 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
*You just need to show
That unique sense of taste
So go on, be yourself, let them
see!*

Cut back and forth between Pinkie and Saffron flipping the sign and attracting a crowd of Ponies while Rarity and Coriander dismantle the inside of The Tasty Treat.

102 PINKIE AND RARITY
*It's gonna work
I know it's gonna work
I know it's gonna work just fine
trust me.
It's gonna work
I swear it's gonna work
I know it's gonna work out fine
you'll see.*

SC. 14 - INT. TASTY TREAT - CONTINUOUS

Workponies (construction/painters/etc) remove furniture, paint everything white and take away any hint of originality. Rarity oversees it all.

103 RARITY
*You need to change
If you want to compete
But fear not, for I know what to
do.*

Angle on: Coriander, who now wears the exact outfit the previous waiter ponies were wearing. He couldn't look more uncomfortable.

104 RARITY (CONT'D)
*I know it feels strange
But trust me when we're done
(MORE)*

RARITY (CONT'D)

*We'll make sure that you are a hit
too.*

SC. 15 - EXT. RESTAURANT ROW - CONTINUOUS

Pinkie is wearing an exotic looking outfit just like Saffron's. They march up and down the street past all of the similar looking restaurants.

105 PINKIE PIE
*Don't ever change
Being different is good
Don't let what others do be your
cue!*

Some of the ponies passing by give them strange looks. Pinkie and Saffron respond by doing some cool fancy moves together with the Tasty Treat sign.

106 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
*Never rearrange
Because someone said so
Trust your heart it will know what
to do*

For the remainder of the song, we cut back and forth between the two scenes. Pinkie and Saffron celebrating how different they are while Rarity and Coriander make everything look like an exact copy of every other restaurant on restaurant row.

107 PINKIE PIE AND RARITY
*It's gonna work
I know it's gonna work
I know it's gonna work just fine
trust me.
It's gonna work
I swear it's gonna work
I know it's gonna work out fine
you'll see.*

108 PINKIE PIE
Be unique!

109 RARITY
Be the same!

110 PINKIE PIE
Trust your heart!

111 RARITY
Make your name!

112 PINKIE AND RARITY
*We'll help every step of the way!
Because. We. Know. That...
It's gonna work
I know it's gonna work
I know it's gonna work just fine
trust me.
It's gonna work
I swear it's gonna work
I know it's gonna work out fine
you'll see!!!!*

SC. 16 - INT. TASTY TREAT - LATER

The restaurant now looks identical to everyplace on Restaurant Row. Coriander walks out of the kitchen with a plate of food. Rarity sits at a table.

Coriander presents the food to Rarity. It looks like all of the dishes Pinkie veto'd earlier except for a single exotic flourish (some kind of brightly colored garnish).

Rarity studies the dish. She removes the garnish and samples the food.

113 RARITY
Almost there. Maybe just a tad less spice? Now, let's work on presentation.

Coriander takes a moment to "get in character" then approaches Rarity.

114 CORIANDER CUMIN
Hello! And Welcome to the Tasty Treat! What might I delight your senses with.

115 RARITY
That was... very welcoming. But I need you to be more disinterested. As if you didn't care if I ate here or not.

Coriander tries again. Even more stiff and uncomfortable.

116 CORIANDER CUMIN
Welcome to the Tasty Treat. You can eat here if you want. Or not. Who cares?

117 RARITY
Better! Now let's internalize all
of that and just say it with your
eyes!

Off of Coriander's expression...

SC. 17 - EXT. RESTAURANT ROW - LATE AFTERNOON

Pinkie and Saffron are flipping their sign on a street corner. Ponies are walking by and not paying any attention. Saffron looks up at the sun.

118 SAFFRON MASALA
The day is almost over and we
haven't found anyponies! What will
we do?

119 PINKIE PIE
Try harder! FILLIES AND
GENTLECOLTS!! Check out the super
stupendous and amazing cuisine of
the Tasty Treat! GRAND RE-OPENING
TONIGHT!

Two ponies approach them.

120 CANTERLOT PONY # 2
How many Hooves does it have?

121 SAFFRON MASALA
No hooves yet, but hopefully soon!

This gives them pause.

122 CANTERLOT PONY #1
When it gets rated let us know!

They walk off. Pinkie and Saffron both look frustrated.

123 PINKIE PIE
Oooo... Those stupid hooves!

Pinkie tosses the arrow up in the air, the wind catches it and blows it down the street.

124 CHARGRILL BREADWINNER (O.S.)
Oh look at this hon!

Pinkie and Saffron both look. The arrow is on the ground at the hooves of a couple, CHARGRILL BREADWINNER and ORANGE SLICE. They wear very touristy clothing. Out of towners.

125 ORANGE SLICE
The Tasty Treat. Do ya think that's
a restaurant sugar?

Pinkie and Saffron rush over.

126 PINKIE PIE
Yes! Yes it IS!

Chargrill and Orange look at each other skeptically.

127 CHARGRILL BREADWINNER
We came to Canterlot from
Winnieapolis to be adventurous! But
so far the food in all these hoity
toity places tastes like somepony
cooked up nuthin with a side of
nuthin!

Saffron and Pinkie grin at each other.

128 SAFFRON MASALA
Well please, come try The Tasty
Treat. I think it's going to be
exactly what you're looking for!

SC. 18 - INT. TASTY TREAT - LATER THAT NIGHT.

Rarity admires her work. A job well done.

129 RARITY
This is going to be exactly what
Zesty is looking for!

Coriander walks stiffly into the room and lays out the menus
on the table. The doors open. Pinkie and Saffron rush in.

130 SAFFRON MASALA
Father, we're back--

131 PINKIE PIE
Rarity! you wont' --

They stop what they are saying and stare in shock at the
restaurant.

132 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
Rarity. What did you do.

133 RARITY
Isn't it perfect? Zesty is sure to
love it!

Saffron rushes into the kitchen. Pinkie turns to Rarity, annoyed.

134 PINKIE PIE
I thought we were trying to make this the most unique and beautiful restaurant in Canterlot. Not make it exactly like every other restaurant!

135 RARITY
We want to help our friends by getting them three hooves. That will only happen if it IS like every other restaurant. That's just the way it's done.

Saffron comes running out with a plate of food. Deconstructed. Barely anything on the plate. Drizzle of sauce.

136 SAFFRON MASALA
Father what is this?!?!?

Pinkie looks horrified.

137 PINKIE PIE
NOT THAT! ANYTHING BUT THAT!!

138 SAFFRON MASALA
This isn't what I wanted! I wanted Canterlot to like US for US!

139 CORIANDER CUMIN
This is what we must cook if we want to succeed here!

140 PINKIE PIE
Rarity how could you ruin the restaurant!

141 RARITY
We've helped SAVE the restaurant! Now where are the other guests? How many other ponies are coming.

Beat.

142 PINKIE AND SAFFRON
Two.

143 RARITY
Just TWO?!

144 PINKIE PIE
Well nopony would come since we
didn't have any hooves!

145 RARITY
(raising her voice)
I thought you said you could pack a
place with ponies no matter what?

146 PINKIE PIE
(matching Rarity's
intensity)
YOU said you would make the
restaurant better so I guess we
both didn't know what we were
talking about!

They all start yelling over each other. A sudden knock at the door causes them all to freeze.

147 RARITY
(panicked)
ZESTY GOURMAND! Everypony! Places!

Coriander rushes to the tables. Saffron rushes into the kitchen. Pinkie and Rarity rush to open the door.

Chargrill Breadwinner and Orange Slice stand awkwardly next a tall, thin, severely dressed unicorn: ZESTY GOURMAND.

148 ZESTY GOURMAND
Rarity dear, I have to admit, I'm a
bit surprised THIS is the place you
recommended. Do you really believe
they will meet the high standards
expected for top restaurants in
Canterlot??

149 CHARGRILL BREADWINNER
Boy we hope not! We're tired of
that snooty Restaurant Row stuff!
We are lookin forward to a REAL
meal!

Zesty glares at Chargrill.

Off of Rarity and Pinkie's plastered smiles we...

END ACT TWO

ACT THREE**SC. 19 - INT. TASTY TREAT - LATER**

Zesty sits at her table, looking around at the decor with disdain. Chargrill and Orange sit at the table next to her. Pinkie and Rarity watch from a table over in the corner.

Coriander walks stiffly to Zesty's table. He barley moves his joints. He speaks through a plastered grin not moving his lips or teeth.

150 CORIANDER CUMIN
Welcome to the Tasty Treat. What
can I get you this evening.

Zesty looks Coriander over and arches an eyebrow.

151 ZESTY GOURMAND
I hardly think it matters. But by
all means, try your best to
impress.

Orange slice calls over from their table. Zesty finds this very distasteful.

152 ORANGE SLICE
Well we'll both try the special
this evening, maybe with a little
kick to it? We've been craving some
food with actual taste.

Zesty rolls her eyes. Coriander nods stiffly and backs into the kitchen. Pinkie and Rarity follow.

SC. 20 - INT. TASTY TREAT KITCHEN - CONTINUOUS

Saffron works furiously over the stove, tossing spices and ingredients into a boiling pot.

153 CORIANDER CUMIN
Saffron Masala! What are you doing?

Saffron glares at Coriander.

154 SAFFRON MASALA
I'm trying to save our reputations.
I think I've fixed it.

155 RARITY
Fixed it?

156 SAFFRON MASALA
I've given it at least a little bit
of flavor.

157 RARITY
But that's not what Zesty wants!

158 PINKIE PIE
What kind of food expert DOESN'T
want flavor? That's insane!

Pinkie grabs a spoon and dumps the contents of the pot onto a platter.

159 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
I'm taking this out there.

160 RARITY
No! Zesty will hate it!

Pinkie rushes past Rarity.

SC. 21 - INT. TASTY TREAT - CONTINUOUS

Pinkie charges out of the kitchen with the platter of food. Rarity rushes out and blocks her. Coriander and Saffron both follow. Everypony watches the fight.

Pinkie attempts to move forward. Rarity blocks her.

161 RARITY
You are going to RUIN this for
them!

162 PINKIE PIE
Nooooo. I'm trying to fix it after
YOU ruined it!

Pinkie jukes right, she jukes left. Rarity dives to stop her. Pinkie leaps over Rarity, but Rarity grabs Pinkie's tail. Pinkie falls and the platter goes flying.

163 PINKIE AND RARITY
Noooooooooooo!!!

Slo-mo. The platter flips through the air and lands on Zesty, Chargrill and Orange, covering them in food and sauce.

Beat. Zesty calmly lifts her hoof, which is covered in sauce, and tastes it. She grimaces.

164 ZESTY GOURMAND
I think we are done here.

Zesty stands, gathers her dignity and walks towards the door.

165 RARITY
Zesty! Please wait. Allow me to explain.

166 ZESTY GOURMAND
Rarity. When it comes to fashion, you are adequate. But take some advice from a friend. Keep your opinions out of restaurants. Substandard food, laughable service and I would think even YOU could recognize that the decor here is trying desperately while desperately failing. Recommending a disreputable place such as this could do serious damage to your social standing.

Pinkie leaps to Rarity's side.

167 PINKIE PIE
Disreputable? You mean a place with food that actually tastes good?

Zesty smiles patronizingly.

168 ZESTY GOURMAND
Anypony can throw ingredients together and create an obvious taste that uncultured ponies like those two can register.

Zesty motions to Chargrill and Orange.

169 CHARGRILL BREADWINNER
Hey!

170 ZESTY GOURMAND
But it takes a TRUE culinary artist to create a subtle taste. The barest hint of a sensation. That's what I bring to Canterlot. That's art.

Zesty walks out. Beat. Chargrill and Orange stand. Sauce and food dripping off of them.

171 ORANGE SLICE
Come on hon, maybe it's time to head back to Winnieapolis.
(MORE)

ORANGE SLICE (CONT'D)

At least there we know we can get
good food from good folks without
all the drama.

They both walk out, leaving a trail of sauce and food behind
them.

Off everypony's defeated expressions...

SC. 22 - INT. TASTY TREAT - LATER

Rarity, Pinkie and Coriander clean up the mess in the
restaurant. They all look dejected.

172 PINKIE PIE
I'm so embarrassed.

173 RARITY
I don't know that there are any
words to adequately express how
truly sorry we are.

Coriander sighs.

174 CORIANDER CUMIN
The worst has happened. We
survived. No use crying over
spilled food now.

Saffron brings out four bowls and places them around a table.

175 SAFFRON MASALA
Here, this always cheered me up
when I was younger.

Coriander sniffs it and lights up.

176 CORIANDER CUMIN
My spicy flat noodle soup!

Rarity and Pinkie both try the soup.

177 RARITY
Oh my, this truly is delightful.

178 PINKIE PIE
This is the best thing you've made
so far. And I thought the food
before was the best! This
is...bester?

179 SAFFRON MASALA

(to Coriander)

That's all I've ever wanted to do.
Make food for the ponies of
Canterlot like the food we made
together when I was younger.

180 CORIANDER CUMIN

It's been so long since we've
cooked together. Remember how you
used to hide the ingredients you
didn't like.

They both laugh at the memory. Rarity sips her soup
thoughtfully. She looks up with determination.

181 RARITY

You know what? Who needs Zesty
Gourmand!

182 SAFFRON MASALA

What do you mean?

183 RARITY

I mean we've been going about this
the wrong way all along. Who cares
what some stuffy unicorn thinks of
the food here. It's exquisite.

184 PINKIE PIE

That's true.

185 RARITY

And you don't need three silly
hooves in your window to prove it.

186 PINKIE PIE

That's True!!

187 RARITY

You just need ponies in here to
give it a chance. Ponies that will
tell everypony else in Canterlot
that the Tasty Treat is the best
food in the city!

188 PINKIE PIE

THAT'S TRUE!!!

189 SAFFRON MASALA

But without Zesty's approval,
no pony will even try our food.

190 RARITY
(with conviction)
Oh yes they will.
(then)
Pinkie. We ARE the perfect team for
this, we were just doing the wrong
jobs. I will go out and bring the
crowd. You stay here and make sure
this place is every bit as unique
and rustic as it was the moment we
walked in here.

191 CORIANDER CUMIN
And what about us?

192 RARITY
You two? You are going to cook.
Whatever you want. And make a lot
of it. I intend to bring a crowd!

MONTAGE

An instrumental version of the song from earlier plays.
Similar sequences as earlier except that now everypony is
having fun and it's actually working.

- Rarity visits different areas of Canterlot. She bats her
eyes, speaks emphatically and in general charms the hell out
of everypony. Ponies are clearly listening to her.

- Pinkie orders around the same construction and painter
ponies as earlier, except that now they are making everything
look exactly the way it did before.

- Saffron and Saffron cook in the kitchen together. They are
totally in synch and having a blast.

SC. 23 - INT. TASTY TREAT - LATER

Pinkie and Rarity stand in the restaurant. It looks exactly
the way it did when we first saw it: colorful and unique. The
tables are all set. Each one has a giant platter of food in
the center.

Pinkie rushes over to the wall and flips a switch. Exotic
music begins to play as tiny lights all around the restaurant
turn on, adding a magical glow to the atmosphere.

193 PINKIE PIE
Just a little something to set the
mood.

Coriander and Saffron come out of the kitchen together laughing. They are both covered in sauce, flour, etc.

194 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
Something smells gooooooooooooood.

195 RARITY
It's almost time. Is everybody ready for the grand re-re-opening?

196 SAFFRON MASALA
Before we open, my father and I just wanted to say thank you for all of your help. We've both been so stressed about the restaurant succeeding that we forgot what it is we loved about it in the first place.

197 CORIANDER CUMIN
Cooking is something we used to love to do together. No matter what happens next, thank you for reminding us of that.

Pinkie grabs Rarity and rushes over to them.

198 PINKIE PIE
Oh you guys!! GROUP HUG!!

Pinkie level squeeze!

199 PINKIE PIE (CONT'D)
Now come on! We've got a party to throw!

Pinkie bounces over and opens the door. The sound of dozens of ponies hits them. There's a huge (yet production friendly) crowd outside! Ponies enter and look around the restaurant curiously.

200 CORIANDER CUMIN
Welcome to the Tasty Treat! Make yourselves comfortable!

201 SAFFRON MASALA
Please, feel free to sample the food!

202 ZESTY GOURMAND (O.S.)
What's this?

The crowd all turns. Zesty Gourmand strides imperiously through the door into the restaurant.

203 ZESTY GOURMAND (CONT'D)
What is everypony doing here? This place has no hooves. It is not in keeping with the level of cuisine that I have set for Canterlot. No pony told you this place was acceptable.

A unicorn nervously gestures to Rarity and Pinkie.

204 CANTERLOT PONY #1
Rarity and her friend said it was good. They told us.

205 ZESTY GOURMAND
They told you? And who are they to tell you anything? Rarity can tell you what hats to wear with which skirts. Her friend can tell you how to maintain a tragic look for a frizzy mane. They can't tell you what food you can eat.

Rarity and Pinkie step forward

206 RARITY
No. We can't. And neither can you. No pony has the right to tell these ponies what to think. Zesty you have very specific--

207 PINKIE PIE
And very strange!

208 RARITY
Yes. Very strange opinions about food. And that's your right. But just because you like your food a certain way is no reason to tell these ponies they need to do the same. They should feel free to express themselves with food just as they should with fashion.

A large burly unicorn stands up.

209 BURLY UNICORN
Rarity is right! I for one think the food here is delicious. I own the Smoked Oat on Restaurant Row! I hate the food we make! From now on it's all smoked, basted and grilled!

A matronly pony stands up.

210 MATRONLY PONY
This food is an inspiration! I own
the Bake Stop! I'm going back to
making my mother's bundt cake the
way she made it! Full of flavor!

Other ponies all stand and announce their support for the Tasty Treat and the desire for food with flavor. Rarity turns to Zesty.

211 RARITY
Zesty are you sure you wouldn't
like to try the food? Ignoring a
unique and fresh establishment such
as this could do serious damage to
your social standing.

Zesty glares at Rarity and storms out. Coriander and Saffron rush up to Pinkie and Rarity.

212 SAFFRON MASALA
Thank you so much!

213 CORIANDER CUMIN
You are both truly amazing.

Pinkie wraps Rarity in a vice like hug.

214 PINKIE PIE
Nothing can stop the dynamic duo of
Pinkie and Rarity!!

As ponies eat, enjoy and celebrate together we see Pinkie and Rarity's cutie marks shimmer. A job well done.

SC. 24 - EXT. RESTAURANT ROW - LATER

Pinkie and Rarity walk along restaurant row. The place feels a bit more alive. People are outside chatting. The restaurants look a little warmer, friendlier and more colorful. It's clear a change is already taking place.

215 PINKIE PIE
So many amazing smells!!! Everypony
is already making food they love!

216 RARITY
It really is QUITE the difference.
I can't wait to get home and tell
Twilight all about our mission.

Pinkie stops and shuffles her feet.

217 RARITY (CONT'D)
What is it dear?

218 PINKIE PIE
I was thinking. Maybe before we
went home... we could try some of
the restaurants again?

Pinkie's stomach growls loudly.

219 RARITY
That sounds like a delightful idea.
Just leave it to me!

Rarity stands on her back hooves, lifts her front hooves and smells the air. Rarity starts to zig and zag just juke Pinkie did before. Pinkie smiles and joins her. They both zig right together, zig left together and let their noses guide them down the street as we...

FADE OUT

THE END