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A Proper Setting for a Meal at the Beach

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Melamine plates Credit Tony Cenicola/The New York Times

To Present: A Memorable Set of Nautical Plates

For colorful impact on your table at the beach, it's hard to beat this set of nautical plates. They make an ideal house gift for weekends at the shore or on a boat. Made from unbreakable melamine, they are dishwasher safe: *Melamine plates, \$12.50 each, E.A.T. Gifts, 1062 Madison Avenue (80th Street), 212-861-2544.*