Record Nr. UNINA9910813990903321 Autore Kaplan David M Titolo The Philosophy of Food / / David M. Kaplan Pubbl/distr/stampa 2012 Berkeley, CA:,: University of California Press,, [2012] ©2012 **ISBN** 1-283-36976-1 9786613369765 0-520-95197-2 Edizione [1st ed.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (321 p.) California Studies in Food and Culture;; 39 Collana Classificazione CKB000000 641.3 Disciplina Soggetti Food Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Description based upon print version of record. Nota di contenuto Front matter -- Table of Contents -- Introduction: The Philosophy of Food -- 1. Real Men Have Manners -- 2. Down-Home Global Cooking: A Third Option between Cosmopolitanism and Localism -- 3. Hunger Is the Best Sauce: The Aesthetics of Food -- 4. Smells, Tastes, and Everyday Aesthetics -- 5. Ethical Gourmandism -- 6. Two Evils in Food Country: Hunger and Lack of Representation -- 7. Ethics and Genetically Modified Food -- 8. The Ethics of Food Safety in the Twenty-First Century: Who Keeps the Public Good? -- 9. The Myth of Happy Meat -- 10. Animal Welfare, Happy Meat, and Veganism as the Moral Baseline -- 11. Animal Ethics and Food Production in the Twenty-First Century -- 12. Nature Politics and the Philosophy of Agriculture -- 13. The Ethics and Sustainability of Aquaculture -- 14. Scenarios for Food Security -- 15. Nutritionism and Functional Foods -- 16. In Vitro Meat: What Are the Moral Issues? -- Contributors --Index This book explores food from a philosophical perspective, bringing Sommario/riassunto together sixteen leading philosophers to consider the most basic questions about food: What is it exactly? What should we eat? How do we know it is safe? How should food be distributed? What is good food?

David M. Kaplan's erudite and informative introduction grounds the

discussion, showing how philosophers since Plato have taken up questions about food, diet, agriculture, and animals. However, until recently, few have considered food a standard subject for serious philosophical debate. Each of the essays in this book brings in-depth analysis to many contemporary debates in food studies-Slow Food, sustainability, food safety, and politics-and addresses such issues as "happy meat," aquaculture, veganism, and table manners. The result is an extraordinary resource that guides readers to think more clearly and responsibly about what we consume and how we provide for ourselves, and illuminates the reasons why we act as we do.