



## Ladyfingers and Nuns Tummies: A Lighthearted Look at How Foods Got Their Names

By Martha Barnette

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