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n. pl. **gus·toes**

1. Vigorous enjoyment; zest: *The children jumped into the swimming pool with gusto.* See Synonyms at [zest](#).
2. *Archaic*
 - a. Individual taste.
 - b. Artistic style.

[Italian, from Latin *gustus*, taste; see **geus-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#).]

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