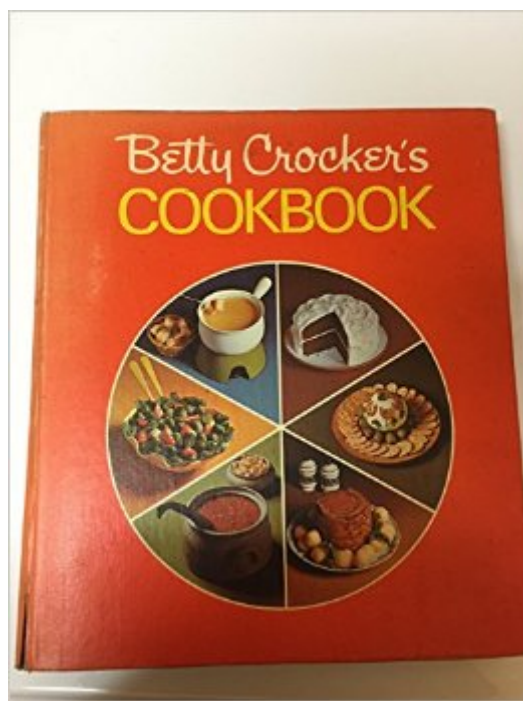


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Customer Reviews

I have always had a Betty Crocker cookbook around. It was the first cookbook I took with me when I moved away from home, and it still remains the first book I grab for if I have *any* questions about a recipe I'm making. The book is great for cooks of all levels. It has a lot of great introductory information - how do you boil an egg? What are the different cuts of meat? It provides a lot of easy recipes that taste delicious and are nutritious as well. In addition, the book also eases you into many advanced recipes. Looking to cook a Thanksgiving dinner for the relatives? Trying to make a birthday dinner really special? This cookbook has the recipes for you, all easy to understand and with gorgeous photos. This version is definitely an improvement on previous versions as well. There is information on grilling and vegetarian meals, something lacking in the last versions. They've also added in a number of ethnic dishes that are quite tasty. If this book isn't on your kitchen shelf, be sure to buy a copy!

You will be pleasantly surprised by this book. This book has a lot of information that goes along with the recipes. You will be amazed at all of the supplemental information that goes into this book. The way to buy fresh vegetables, how to look for good cuts of meat, ways to stretch meat, and a host of ideas with each recipe. The book is clearly written, and it makes it very easy to read. There are pictures for many recipes as well, these pictures aren't of just the finished product either. I think you

will find this book covers the basics, and goes well beyond that. If you know someone that is just starting out, or perhaps learning to cook this would be a great choice for them.

I bought this cookbook recently after buying my sister a copy for Christmas. I found that I was using her cookbook more than several of my own. She is not quite as advanced as I am at cooking and so she was enjoying the simplicity of the recipes and ingredients. I was going to it for basic ideas which I could create and alter towards my tastes. This book was extremely easy to use and follow, with clear, decisive instructions. The ingredients needed in most of the recipes are very common as well. The print and picture ratio is good, so it's not overly stocked with words or graphics. Betty Crocker has always released good cookbooks. I have one from my parents that dates back to the 1970s that is still a wonderful book. I have only had one recipe that I have tried from this book that I have not liked, and that's probably because I realized too late what the flavor combinations would taste like. All the other recipes I have used (which is about 5 in the past month) have been splendid in result, especially the rice pudding. As I said before, this was very very easy to use and follow, with great graphs and information and would be very helpful to the beginning or amateur cook. For more experienced cooks, though simple, this would be a great basic cookbook to have around when one wants to make something intricate, but needs the basics first. For example, if you wanted to make a pesto alfredo sauce, you could start by reading about Betty Crocker's simple cream sauce and from there, improvise to your palette. This is recommended for everyone with an interest in cooking; big or small. It is beautifully published and has great recipes.

I only had to take one look at this book and I knew it was going to be great. It truly has everything you need to know to cook today. Betty teaches you step by step all the basics in breads, cakes, cookies, meats and so much more. From how to knead your bread dough to when your meat is done. Complete with reasons for when things go wrong, to teach you what not to do next time. Besides giving you the basics this cookbook contains many great recipes 90% of which contain everyday items. Recipes you will want to make for your family regularly. I know I will come back to this cookbook time and again for all my questions and to find great meals.

Vegetarian recipes, Tandoori chicken, Chai, tofu even!! Most of the recipes are from scratch using fresh ingredients, yes this is not your grandmother's Betty Crocker Cookbook. It will be hard to find a recipe that calls for a can of cream of mushroom soup! Heck, one can even try his or her hand at making a variety of pastas from scratch! That said, fear not all the favorites are here too, meatloaf,

muffins, breads, mac and cheese, tuna casserole... all in the straight forward comfort food versions we cherish and love. That is what I love about Betty Crocker, all the food is good, but not a hint of being pretentious, scaring the cook with hard to find ingredients. My family always seemed to have a Betty Crocker cookbook given to them as a rite of passage into adulthood, I bestowed the honor upon my sister this year for Christmas. I am quite impressed with the latest edition. There is a new section on grilling and also for vegetarians. The recipe layout is very easy to read, pictures showing how scrambled eggs, rice, etc should look as well as what they shouldn't look like (with an explanation of what the cook did wrong) The pages are very colorful with plenty of hints and inspiring photos. The writing "voice" is very patient, and understands the fact that the reader may not know how to even boil water. It's OK here, the novice cook will not be spoken down to. For the more experienced cook who may be bored to tears, the layout is such that he or she can bypass those sections. It shouldn't be a surprise that these books stay with the owner forever and even as one gets better at cooking, this is the book that one turns to over and over. I have owned mine for more than 10 years and still use it on a regular basis. Many great culinary memories await within the pages of this "Rite of Passage" book!

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