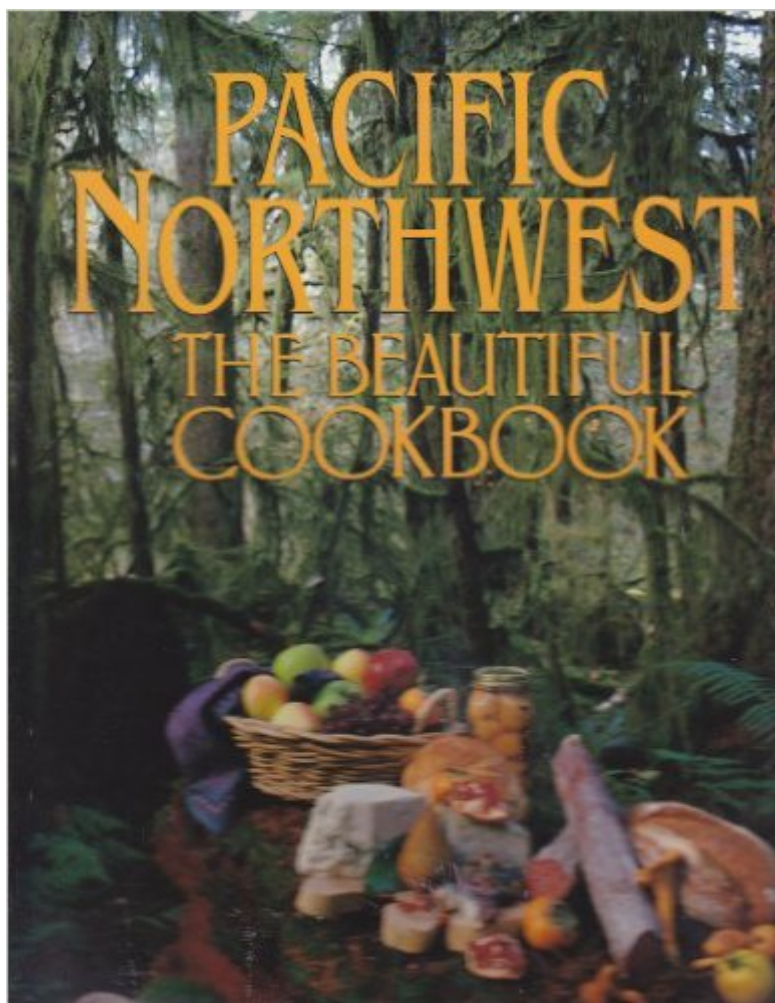


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Customer Reviews

This is absolutely one of the most beautiful cookbooks I have ever had the pleasure to add to my library. It could as easily be presented as a travelogue with recipes, as it contains sections for all of the Pacific Northwest; Vancouver and British Columbia, the Islands, Washington, Oregon and Idaho...and is so informative and full of images, I want to go there right now. I vacillate between wanting to visit the restaurants where some of the recipes originated, and wanting to take a stab at making them myself; and the pictures of the finished products make me want to eat the page. All recipes are complete with a history of the dish and concise and readable instructions, and most, if not all, look quite easy to replicate. There are some that include ingredients that would be hard to find (Yelloweye Rockfish and Singing Scallops comes to mind) but I'm sure other (lesser in the eyes of Pacific Northwest natives, I'm sure) variations would work as well for the dish. I am looking forward to trying Geoduck and Green Onion Hash; Wild Mushroom Ragout; Basque Onions in Sour Cream; Peppered Flank Steak with Oregon Blue Cheese Sauce; Stout Braised Beef with Onions and Sour Cream; and the Baked Blueberry Clafouti looks divine. There isn't a page that doesn't suck you in and you realize that your mouth is watering as you read. If you can obtain a copy of this cookbook (a caveat; it is a coffee table sized book), it will satisfy both your yen to read about the Pacific Northwest as an eventual destination and excite your imagination towards creating some outstanding dishes for your next dinner party. Highly recommended.

This is, as its title proclaims, a beautiful book. It was highly recommended to me by a stellar home cook, and I am very impressed by both the exceptional recipes and the dazzling photographs of the prepared dishes. It is a delight that virtually every dish is represented with a photograph.

However, the enormous coffee-table dimensions of this book make it impractical. I have a very large bookcase for cookbooks in my kitchen, with tall shelves at the bottom. We have other bookcases, some with even taller shelves, throughout our house, home office and garage. This book is too tall to stand upright with the spine visible, in any of our bookcases; it simply cannot be stored conveniently for regular reference, and thus must be laid flat, like an atlas or Rizzoli art book. It takes up so much space, when opened flat, that it would occupy the entirety of many urban kitchen counters, leaving little space for food preparation. On the other hand, since its gorgeous photographs encourage the reader to peruse the book at leisure, it is useful for inspiration, especially for those of us who use recipes as a starting point, then deviate radically from the actual instructions. Or, if one has the patience and still remembers how, it is possible to copy out the recipes longhand, so that these promised culinary masterpieces can actually be prepared and enjoyed. I would recommend this book, with its recipes for many splendid dishes, so long as you are comfortable with the aforementioned limitations.

I was astounded by the inviting photographs and the seemingly easy recipes. The little stories behind the dishes are a great addition. I lived in Vancouver, BC for a while and my husband is from there and we both have a case of nostalgia when we read the book....as well as constantly licking our chops....

I had this book for years and it got wet and ruined it. I wanted to replace it. I came on and was surprised by the affordability of the pricing. I thought what do I have to lose by ordering it. After receiving it, it was in as good of shape as the book I had. I spent \$30 on this book, when I bought it new. I paid a little over \$8 on this used. After I purchased this book, I have bought 4 more and each has been in excellent condition. The Beautiful Cookbook is one of the best series of Cookbooks out there and this is a great way to collect them.

You could not find a more beautiful cook book . It's stunning . Recently I moved to Washington and started researching cook books for Pacific Northwest cuisine and this one came up . The second hand copy was cheap and still in good condition with minor normal wear as any older book. Kathy

has really done an amazing job. Though this book is older it is timeless and the food is delicious and she provides substitutes for those not in the area and for when certain things are off season . Because of this book I have ordered more and more from this beautiful series and they are all wonderful .

HUGE book, heavy and unwieldy, with recipes I doubt I will ever use. Disappointed that although Idaho is included, Northern California is left out of the "northwest" (I know there is a "California" book in this series, but there is such a vast difference between Northern and Southern California I thought it would have been nice to see at least a mention of the North State.

This beautiful book illustrates both with magnificent photographs and excellent recipes why the Pacific Northwest has such glorious food. From authentic regional appetizers to zesty main courses and tasty desserts there is great food to make and enjoy. We have given several as gifts, and are trying to find more!

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