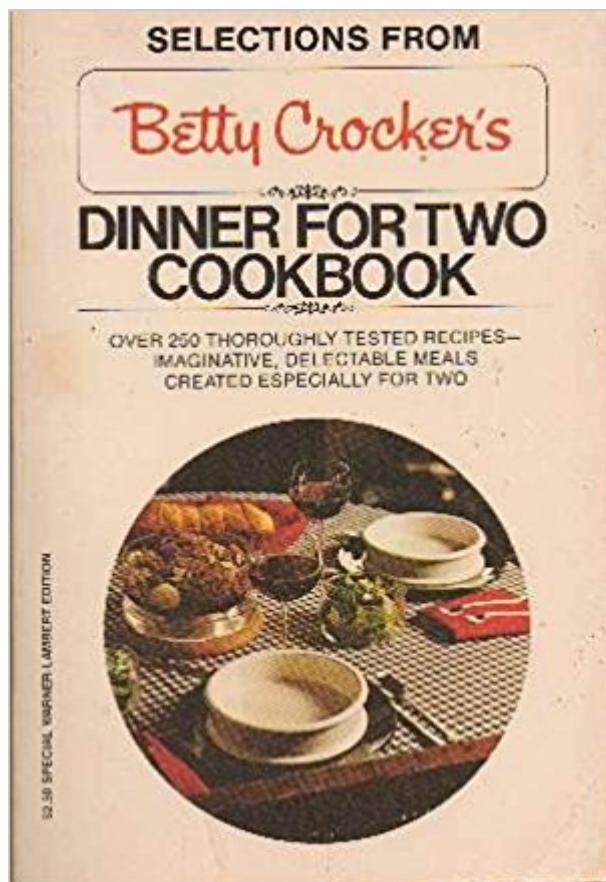


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Customer Reviews

I couldn't believe it when I saw that this cookbook was available as a "new" book (authentic reproduction) again. I received it - probably as a birthday gift? I don't remember - when I was a young child, about 50 years ago. I have always been a cookbook reader, and I spent many happy hours as a child reading this book. So when I saw that it was available again, I eagerly bought a copy for the sake of nostalgia. As an object of nostalgia, I would rate it 5 stars. It looks exactly like the original, and has the same durable and convenient hardcover spiral binding that I remember. Although if you look carefully, you can tell that the cover is from a "photo of a photo," as the image isn't quite as crisp as an original would be. Also, the green glossy material used on the inside of the front & back covers was not in the original. However, everything else about the book is a perfect reproduction. As a 21st-century cookbook for children to use, I'd probably give it only 3 stars. There is a lot about cooking that has changed in the 60 years since this book was first published: * Our understanding of nutrition has improved significantly * We encounter a greater variety of ingredients, especially fresh produce, in our stores * Our food landscape has been enriched by many contributions from nearly every continent and every corner of the earth (I had definitely never heard of hummus or chiles rellenos when I used to read this book on lazy summer afternoons), and * Rather than seeing canned/highly processed foods as exciting miracles of modern culinary technology, we now see them as the less healthy and less tasty versions of food. This cookbook is definitely rooted in the food styles, tastes and knowledge of its mid-20th-century era. That being said, this was a very, VERY good children's cookbook for its era. The recipes are creative,

attractive, and often whimsical. There is a LOT of information for a budding cook who doesn't want to just learn a particular recipe, but actually wants to learn how to cook - such as cooking methods and terminology, types of utensils, safety guidelines. It piques the interest through extras like the illustrations (including many gorgeous full-page color glossy photos of finished recipes) and the sidebar tips from the 12 kids who were the "Junior Testers" of all the recipes in the book. So, bottom line: 1. If you are an adult who was in love with this book as a kid, buy it. 2. If you are thinking of buying it for a child in your life today, I would say go ahead and buy it for its instructional value in the basics of cooking, but give the child a more contemporary children's cookbook at the same time.

Received the book. It is in remarkable condition for being nearly 30 years old. The cover of the book I received matches the photo on the listing....but not the description. Be forewarned, this book does NOT contain the beautiful photos described in the review. In fact it contains on a very few black and "white" (the book is old) illustrations. Other than feeling a tad bit ripped off that the book is not as described, it is in great, readable condition and appears to have all of its pages intact. Overall, especially for the price, I am pleased with my purchase. However, the Review/Description should be amended to match this particular book so as not to deceive customers. UPDATE: Just received my other book which is the one in the photo for this listing. It is the 1976 (1969 copyright) Betty Crocker Cookbook with the Pie diagram on the front. This book is in remarkable condition considering it's older than I am. Very happy with this purchase. This one receives 5 stars. The seller sent exactly what was ordered. Apparently several different books are lumped under this one photo/listing/description.

Good book that's been around for generations. Most of the recipes are what even a picky eater would eat. I think the only disadvantage to some people might be the lack of nutritional information, yet that isn't important to me since I have several online sites that easily provide that. I ordered this for my 10 year old's birthday present, along with a Nerf gun. I think he'll be very excited to get the cookbook, since he's always asking to do things in the kitchen on his own and has mentioned several times that he wants to learn to cook.

I'm enjoying this book! FYI, the copy I have with the red cover and photos in the shape of a 6-slice pie states that it was 1st published in 1969, with the particular edition I have being a 1972 re-print. The info says published in 1981, and maybe there were later re-prints in 1981... but, if you're looking for one with a cover like mine, the recipes are from 1969. I chose the edition with this cover

based on a couple of Goodreads lists in which it was voted one of the best cookbooks ever. Upon receiving it, I was pleasantly surprised to see that, at least in the 1972 re-print, in addition to all the normal sections you'd expect to find in this book, it also has a special section with several pages of Christmas recipes from Sears that appear even before the book's table of contents. Fun, nostalgic stuff.

I got this book MANY years ago as a bridal shower gift, and it "saved my bacon" many a time! My mother was a terrible cook, so I didn't learn anything valuable from her. During my first year of marriage, this book really taught me the basics of cooking. It has a great glossary in the back about what side dishes go with what entrees, measurements, selecting and storing different foods, etc. Whenever in doubt, I still go back to that book for ideas, or to look up how long to roast meat, or how to make a white sauce. I was able to find an old edition at , and I gave it to a (much younger) friend who got married this year. Although she's already twice the cook I was at her age, I hope she will get the help from it that I did. If nothing else, the pictures are wonderfully vivid and dated, and fun to look at!

We ordered this cookbook as my wife just loved using it for years and it was literally falling apart and stained from being open on the kitchen counter. It arrived on time and much better condition than we expected. A few of the pages had the holes for the 5-ring binder apart which we easily fixed with binder hole reinforcements.

This add shows red pie cookbook! I did not receive a red pie cookbook. I received the next version! The reason I want the red pie?? I received the red pie version as a wedding gift in 1973. I have used the cookbook with my children and it is very worn and falling apart. I will keep this book because it has most of the same recipes, but IT IS NOT THE BOOK ADVERTISED!! You can see the difference in the photos!

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