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New England Farmgirl: Recipes & Stories From A Farmer's Daughter



Synopsis

Recipes & Stories from a Farmer's Daughter New England Farmgirl invites readers to learn about growing a garden, buying local, and choosing organic foods. The ultimate delight: it is filled with family heritage recipes—from grandfather's fudge to great-grandmother's molasses cookies, along with recipes created by the author to use the great products harvested in New England. Maple Peach Barbecue Sauce, Strawberry-Raspberry Popsicles, Farmhouse Pumpkin Pound Cake and so many more delightful recipes bring New England farm products to your table. New England is known for culinary delights, such as blueberries, cranberries and maple syrup. Reading this will be like driving through rural Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and Vermont. Step back in time and remember the joys of childhood with wonderful farm stands, orchards, and wineries throughout New England. Jessica Robinson was raised on a small Connecticut farm, where her family raised livestock and grew crops, as well as operated a maple sugar house. Through her floral company, Jessica became one of the most sought-after wedding and event designers in New England. Catch her blog at carolinafarmhousekitchen.com. She divides her time between Canton, Connecticut, and Graham, North Carolina.

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by Jessica Robinson is the ideal reference for all the comfort foods you want year round." (Jillian Bebell From Away 2015-03-30)"After diving into the recipes in Jessica Robinson's new book, I've officially become a wannabe farmgirl." (Grace Elkus Cookling Light 2015-04-21)The recipes in New England Farmgirl are original and creative. Most importantly, they are easy to make. Plus, the tantalizing photographs will completely make your mouth water. (The Washington Book Review 2015-04-23)"Wonderfarmer Jessica Robinson seemingly absorbed the agricultural and culinary traditions of New England and upgraded them in this flawless collection of country-style recipes, gardening and entertaining tips, and fantastic photographs of the region's best farm stands, sugar shacks, and wineries. No doubt, if she put an apron on backward, she could fly." (Matt Sutherland Forward Reviews 2015-05-27)"She [Jessica Robinson] encourages families to grow their own gardens, spend more time outdoors, and go back to their roots by becoming self-sufficient." (Kara Rota QuickAndDirtyTips.com 2015-05-03)"Many of the recipes are approachable and easy, of a younger generation than one typically finds in New England cookbooks which can be overly puritan and laden with cranberries, winter squash and rhubarb. This targets the taco-generation with a more youthful approach." (Matt Mattus Growing with Plants 2015-09-03)• Jessica is straightforward and completely authentic. She is informed by generations full of rich family history that provide her with solid roots for developing her own new takes on tradition, which she does with warmth and enthusiasm. • (Tracey Ryder Edible Communities 2015-02-01)"Robinson's culinary ode to New England has something delicious for everyone." (Eleanor Duke Edible Rhody 2015-06-01)

It is truly a one-of-a-kind book that invites readers to learn about growing your own garden, buying local, organic foods and my own family's heritage recipes. The book features a delicious collection of heirloom recipes from a farmer's daughter and her family, along with recipes created right in my own New England kitchen. Opening the pages of this book will be as though you are driving through the rural parts of Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and Vermont. Stepping back in time, remembering the simple joys of childhood with wonderful farm stands, orchards and wineries throughout New England that are all committed to growing natural foods and helping improve the environment. It will also visit incredible bakeries whose goal is to buy from the local farmer, bake with fresh, all-natural ingredients and achieve the delightful results. These bakeries are using time-honored traditional methods of baking artisan breads, taking time to create crunchy and chewy textures.Â This definitive guide will offer readers the freshest taste of New England. The recipes share basic values and use simple, wholesome ingredients. Recipes which

include my grandmother's cream puffs, my grandfather's fudge, and great-grandmother's molasses cookies along with recipes I created such as maple peach barbeque sauce and so many more. Detailed full-color photographs will make you feel as though you are visiting that farm first hand or biting into that freshly baked apple tartlet with flaky buttery crust

I previewed this cookbook online and then bought 3. One was for me. I like to cook and I have been looking for something to spur me back in the kitchen. This cookbook does that. For Christmas gifts, I bought one cookbook for my daughter and one for my granddaughter. I thought it would be such fun for the 3 generations of Southern style cooks to enjoy the recipes of 3 generations of a New England family. It is everything I love about a cookbook. It's beautifully photographed. In fact, I am so inspired by the pictures, I want to try every recipe. The recipes don't require a trip to the store to buy many items you've never heard of. They are straight forward and contain just the right amount of ingredients to make it fun. Since I bought these books around Christmas time, I haven't the time at home to try out the recipes. I have, however, been privileged to taste the author's sweet pickles, peach jam and fried apple pies. And the were WONDERFUL!!!

So happy I bought this cookbook! It has so many wonderful recipes. I've made a few recipes all wonderful with amazing flavor. Another plus is everything I've made has been husband and kid approved! The next thing I am going to try are grandma's cream puffs. They are my favorite and I hope they come out as good as the picture looks! You will not regret buying this book. The story's and pictures are amazing too!

I love a cookbook that I can read, relax, and enjoy, oh and get inspired to cook of course! Jessica Robinson has done all this and more plus set a high bar for cookbooks with New England Farmgirl. The recipes are classic, simple, yet scrumptious! She shares family favorites, and seasonal recipes that use the best local, natural, and organic foods of New England. The cookbook shares great sources of local artisinal ingredients, markets, shops, and sources that offer the the best quality food products in the region. Recipes I am most excited to try are the Sweet Summer Lobster Rolls, Whoopie Pies, and the New England Clam Chowder. Yum! G-O-R-G-E-O-U-S photography all throught the book, tells the stories of the recipes, ingredients, and people that have influenced Jessica's cooking. This book is a jewel box of surprises, there is a section on Christmas tree farms and Backyard Entertaining recipe ideas...love, love, love it!! I am so hungry after looking in her cookbook.... : D

If you love cookbooks, you will definitely enjoy this one. Her recipes using maple syrup or fresh produce are wonderful. Can't wait to make more of her recipes. The Maple Coffeecake was a huge hit.

I own many cookbooks; however, this one is by far my absolute favorite! Since purchasing in April, I have made over half the recipes in this book and have not been disappointed yet. Living in the Midwest, we are generally a "meat and potato" kind of people, so every time I have made something from this book, people are pleasantly surprised. This is especially true with any of the recipes that include maple or maple sugar. They can never figure out the "secret" ingredient, yet it adds so much depth and flavor, I can't believe I have been missing this ingredient all these years. I truly cannot say enough good things about this book - I use it weekly! Lastly, the author is wonderful. I have had email interactions with her and she is lovely. Always responds quickly and is happy to chat with her fans. If you haven't checked out her blog, I would recommend that as well. I hope Jessica follows up with another cookbook in the future. Thanks for sharing your splendid recipes and family stories with us!

There is something that I always equate with New England authenticity. New Englanders' traits are not a fake bunch. Jessica Robinson exemplifies this trait in her New England Farmgirl cookbook. She walks her talk and has grown up working on a farm and raised in a family where "farm to table" wasn't a buzz phrase. I am drawn to the timeless traditions and comforting recipes. The recipes are both simple and rich. The accompanying photos are visually gorgeous, styled beautifully, and a lovely travelogue tribute to rural New England. Jessica's recommendations of farms, vineyards, and special places will be on my travel checklist and I look forward to a fabulous bottle of wine, and some local cheeses from her favorite places. All in all, I love this book and have it sitting on my kitchen counter, to breeze through for cooking inspiration. I will master that pie crust! - Debra D., "The Wine Debutante" • winedebutante.com

So glad I bought this book! It's beautifully photographed and offers a great introduction to New England cooking and culture. The author's tone is down to earth and friendly and as I read it, I can imagine that I'm on a personal tour of New England, visiting country stores with wide planked wooden floors, farmers markets, and Christmas Tree farms. Recipes are simple to

follow and delicious. I especially love the recipes that feature maple sugar and maple syrup. I ended up buying some maple sugar to use in these recipes and have used it to make maple bacon and maple cinnamon buns. Both have been a hit with my kids! Looking forward to trying more recipes, starting with chocolate-drizzled caramel popcorn and lemon zest cake.

This is probably the only cookbook I own that I would actually make about 99% of the recipes in it. I met Ms. Robinson locally and she was gracious enough to autograph 5 of these cookbooks, which I gave to family members for Christmas last year. Would love to see what Ms. Robinson comes up with next. Thanks for the great cookbook!!

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