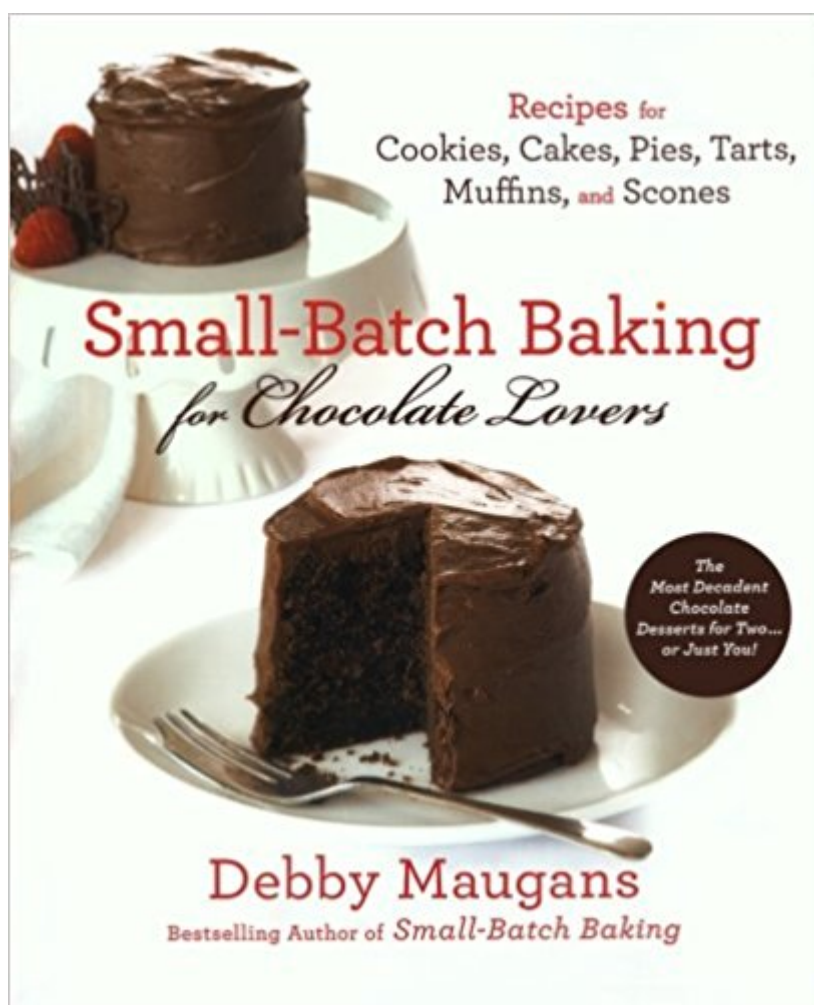




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Small-Batch Baking For Chocolate Lovers: Recipes For Cookies, Cakes, Pies, Tarts, Muffins And Scones



Synopsis

"In this age of singles, couples and otherwise smaller households, Small-Batch Baking is an idea that's in step with the times." •The Dallas Morning News No one can resist the allure of home-made chocolate dessertsâ but when recipes yield a full dozen or more, we often eat more than our serving size. In Small-Batch Baking for Chocolate Lovers, acclaimed food writer Debby Maugans solves the problem by crafting irresistible chocolate recipes perfectly suited for two. Featuring more than 120 cookie, cake, pie, tart, muffin, and scone recipes, over-the-top and lavishly loaded with chocolate of all kinds, nuts, candy bars, and flavors. Ideal for the single guy or gal, small family, retiree, or bride-to-be. There's a dessert in this book for every occasion: a fool-proof birthday chocolate cake recipe, a chocolate orange tart for Valentine's Day, or when you're in the mood for a little self-indulgence, a chocolate soufflÃ© sized for one. Your sweetheart (and your waistline) will thank you!

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Customer Reviews

Scones for two? A batch of eight cookies? Three brownies hot out of the oven? These tiny yields are the norm for recipes in Maugans's second Small-Batch Baking title. "Scaled back to manageable proportions," recipes produce handfuls of baked goods, ideal for the single person, those counting calories, or must-eat-fresh-out-of-the-oven die-hard bakers. The self-proclaimed "chocoholic" uses the cacao bean in various forms including unsweetened cocoa powder, milk chocolate bars, bittersweet chocolate chips, and even chocolate milk in her recipes for cakes, pies

and tarts, and more. Clever ideas include baking "baby-layer" cakes in cans and making soufflés in eight-inch ramekins. Classic desserts such as red velvet cake and chocolate chip cookies are alongside less-than-traditional combinations including chocolate lime bread and java choco-banana muffins. A lack of photography may prevent gift buyers scanning the shelves from noticing, but chocolate lovers and those who want small yields will appreciate this straightforward title. (Feb.) (c) Copyright PWxyz, LLC. All rights reserved.

With more and more American households consisting of just one or two people, it's often difficult to find recipes that don't end up wasting food with quantities that are meant to fill four, six, or more mouths. Maugans comes to the rescue of such challenged bakers with a collection of chocolate desserts that serve just two. Pastry dough can be cut back to yield bases for just a couple of tarts. She suggests a number of cookie recipes, such as a dark chocolate pistachio shortbread or oatmeal chocolate raisin cookies. Desserts can be simple or as elaborate as layered turtle cheesecake. Even bread pudding can be reduced to a pair of small portions. In some cases, special small pans are required, but often it's a matter of using just a couple of the holes in a standard muffin tin or improvising with some recycled tin cans. --Mark Knoblauch

I bought this book along with her other baking for 2 cookbook. This one... is my favorite of the two. Chocolate recipes that come out toothsome! I love the velvety textures of the cakes! They come out amazing every, single, time. The Kahlua Chocolate Cake is by far my favorite so far. The Ghirardelli's Bittersweet chocolate is a must for the ganache. Don't go cheap on the chocolate! And a note to those who are going through these reviews. If you buy this book, do yourself a favor and go to your local favorite box store i.e. Target, Wal-mart, ect and buy the mini pans. They work well and you don't have to worry about baking in cans, unless you are set on it. Again Debby, thank you for these amazing recipes! Quantity and quality all in one delicious package if you take the time to make them.

Fantastic recipes, and great for 1-2 people. Did I mention the recipes are great? Yum!!

The book's recipes seem worthy, but it's a real bummer there isn't a photo for each recipe. In fact, there are hardly any photos at all. In today's image/social media world where everyone wants to see the image of the food item/recipe, it's surprising the author wouldn't have included photos.

We love this book. The recipes are great and they make just enough for one day's dessert in our house. Enjoying trying different recipes every few days.

So nice not to have to make huge batches. Because these recipes are small batches, they are not only perfect for just 1 or 2 people, but they are a great timesaver.....quick to fix, quick to bake, & there isn't a mega-quantity left to tempt you into porking-out on what's left. Anything chocolate is sooooo tempting.....to dieters and non-dieters. Also, these recipes can easily be modified into other really cool small batch baking creations. Thanks Debby, for 'Small-Batch Baking for Chocolate Lovers.'!

I purchased this book for my wife for Christmas, and I have already benefitted from some really delicious sweets! I can't wait for more! I know my wife appreciates not have to reduce the measurements as she often has to do since our family of 3 doesn't consumer major quantities of goodies each week! Very handy, concise recipes!

Love it! Perfect for those chocolate cravings!

This book lack pictures of the recepies. I like pictures... It give me inspiration and desire to make a new recesses. If you are expecting to see pictures, try another book. I also don't have lots of specific types of flour in my pantry. So, many recepies are out of question. This book did not inspire me to bake a single batch.

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