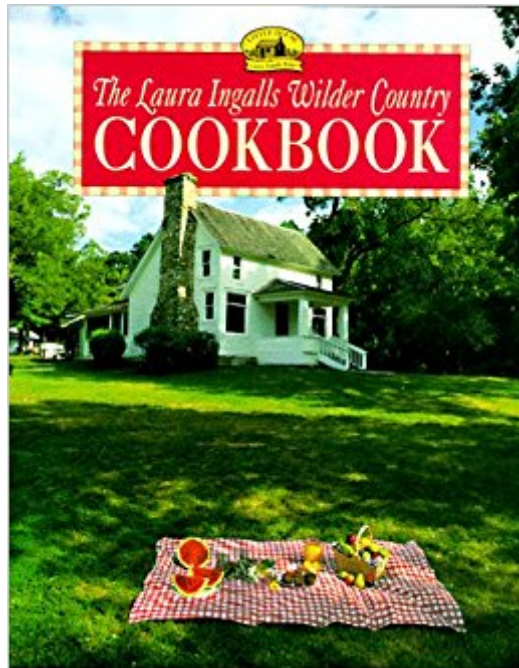




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The Laura Ingalls Wilder Country Cookbook



Synopsis

An original collection of recipes by Laura Ingalls Wilder is adapted from her personal records at Rocky Ridge Farm and includes such farmhouse fare as chicken and dumplings, corn pudding, and strawberry pie.

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Customer Reviews

Grade 5 Up-A recently discovered recipe collection compiled during the author's life with Almanzo at Rocky Ridge Farm in Mansfield, MI. The 73 recipes are good, honest fare from the 1930s and '40s for everyday and special occasions. At least as interesting as the recipes is the glimpse into Wilder's happy and productive adult life as a farmer, friend, and writer. This large format book is full of black-and-white photographs of her family and friends, and full-color photos of Rocky Ridge Farm, inside and out. The farm pictures tend to be posed and repetitious; but for Wilder fans this volume will illuminate a facet of her life that is new for some readers. Barbara Walker's *The Little House Cookbook* (HarperCollins, 1979) is aimed at a younger audience and is more closely related to the books that made Wilder famous. Carolyn Jenks, First Parish Unitarian Church, Portland, ME
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I have gotten huge complements on everything I have made in this book. I especially like the lemon flavored ice cream that doesn't require an ice cream maker! If you are looking for a great country cook book this one is perfect. There is also information about Laura and Almanzo that is fun to read if you are a fan of *The little house on the prairie* books.

My Grandmother, born in 1880, lived with us until her passing in 1963 and how I loved entering our own 'little house in Michigan' to the smells of her cooking. Always something warm on the stove or in the oven... to greet the little girl who walked a mile home from school. Her recipes, as was the norm back then, were only recorded as ingredients... and my own attempts to recreate them after years of following stupid 'health' fads were, by guess and by golly, hit and miss. Now I have authentic methods to follow, of the foods my own gram prepared. I find so many of her 'ingredient lists' in this cookbook. Addressing this book specifically, I find healthy, simple foods, the kind that allowed folks of the day to live long and healthy, independent lives. Wheat is different now and I adjust her recipes to avoid it, taking a particular digestive aid when I cannot substitute and retain the integrity of the dish, but other than that, I am finding this, a cookbook to live with and use often for delicious, healthy comforting food that tastes good.

I checked this book out of my local library and enjoyed it so much (Laura's gingerbread recipe is especially good) that I wanted to purchase a copy for my personal cookbook collection. I hope it is reprinted soon! Different from "The Little House Cookbook" in that these are not necessarily recipes from Laura's "Little House" books, but rather recipes from her personal cookbook she compiled as an adult living in Mansfield, MO. This book is illustrated with beautiful color photos of Laura and Almanzo's home in Missouri (inside and out) and would be a great addition to my cookbook collection. The recipes themselves have a simple, country flair and appear to be easy to prepare (only tried a few but I do love to read cookbooks!)

It was a gift for my daughter. She loved it and will be making dishes from this cookbook. I love the paper used in printing this book. It will not fall apart as most new books.

Laura's favorite recipes, including her famous gingerbread and cookies, can be found here, as well as stories from her friends and notes about her life. If you wonder what Laura's life was like after her series of books ended - you'll find a glimpse of it here. Interspersed with photos of the Wilders' lives, this book is a treasure for fans of "Little House" and a time capsule from cooking in the late 19th and early 20th centuries.

This cook book/memoir shipped quickly, and the condition was perfect, like new. I have enjoyed the book very much- any fans of Laura Ingalls Wilder and her "Little House" books probably will. These

are recipes from her personal collection, and memories from her actual life.

I am very happy with my cookbook, and the photographs are beautiful. I am homeschooling my kids, using the Prairie Primer, and this will be an additional resource. It is also a very good cookbook. LOL

Wonderful photographs of Laura's home at Rocky Ridge, with lots of good recipes.

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