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An Irish Farmhouse Cookbook



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I knew I was taking a chance purchasing ANOTHER book on Irish cooking. It seems like all of the cookbooks are about modern foods and recipes and include things we in America are already familiar with. But this was a very enjoyable and informative book. Chapters on breakfast dishes, breads, appetizers, soups and etc were all taken from the Irish kitchens and not a disappointment at all. I learned from this book about food traditions and why they were important to the Irish people I'd buy it again.

It has the recipes my Irish Grannies and Aunts used to make, I feel that they are by my side, cooking with me, the dishes, the traditional way. Recipe measurements are in ounces, grammes and American cups. Cooking temperatures are in gas mark #, oC and oF. No glossy pictures, but they are not needed as the recipes are written in a clear step by step manner. There are over 4 pages of a glossary to explain Irish food names that are called different things in the US. This book has over 250 recipes which cover breakfast, lunch, dinner and teatime traditional dishes. So if you miss your granny's scones or seacakes, pea soup or jam sponge roll and many more, then this wee book is what you have been looking for!

This is such a wonderful book! Four stars from me because Harper Collins should have done a better job with the author's delightful content. There are several misspellings and layout errors

throughout the book, but none of them should cause too much confusion unless you are *very* new to kitchen work. As for Mary Kinsella's recipes and stories, I'm in deep appreciation. Not only does she share a bit of both personal and cultural history with the recipes she recorded as her mama cooked, but she does so in a clear manner that's easily followed by cooks on both sides of the pond. As you can see in the pictures I've shared, she gives measurements in "amount", metric, and US standard - SO HELPFUL! She also includes information about methodical differences Irish cooks use that differ from the manner in which Americans are taught (and, thus, would affect the outcome of our attempts) and a glossary with specific notes for American cooks so we can spend less time doing online research and more time in the kitchen exploring her recipe selections.

Great cookbook! Easy to read & exce

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