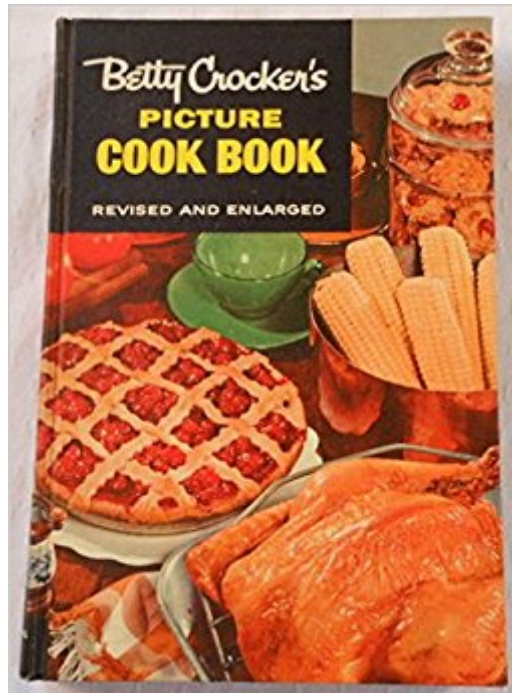




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I love this cookbook; just like Mom's, but in much better condition. I went through both cookbooks, the old and the reprint, and there is only one page that is missing in this book. It's page 433&434,(one page, two sides) for Stir-N-Roll Pastry. Page 433 has the recipe and page 434 has the step-by-step pictures and illustrations on how to make it. There is a note at the bottom of the page in the original cookbook saying "the stir-n-roll pastry method was developed after the first printing of this book, and therefore, could not be included in the 'Pie' chapter." So in the reprinted version, page 435 is renumbered as page 433. Other than that, everything is the same, including the Pink Bunny recipe that someone mentioned was missing. It's called Rum Tum Tiddy (Pink Bunny). Just buy it, you will not be disappointed!

I grew up cooking from this book. When I married my Mom gave the original to me and I used it until it literally fell apart. I found another that was heavily annotated by the owner and now that was also falling apart. I'm so glad to have found this third replacement, same ed. and date, and in much better condition with no markings. A great cookbook. Much loved.

I bought this for my Mom to replace her ancient copy that had the cover held together with duct tape and tons of reinforcing rings for the pages that had ripped out the holes. Some of the recipes are

updated to include more modern methods and products.

This cookbook is a classic and has great recipes. I've made several of the yeast bread recipes and they always turned out delicious. I especially loved the recipe for the crescent rolls and white bread. I love that the directions for the recipes are straightforward and doesn't waste time being long winded. Some of the recipes are a bit dated, but it's fun to read them anyway and to see what people ate back in the day. I would recommend this cookbook for people who are just learning how to cook.

Book is in very good, used, condition. Some of the section dividers and pages were still loose and hadn't been inserted into the binder, so I did that, and it appears that everything is there. Very happy to have the cookbook I grew up with. :)

What's not to like about any cook book especially if one likes to cook as I do. I'm still working my way through the book and there are many recipes I want to try. The book's value however is in all the explanations about each ingredient or how each recipe can be changed to make it either different or make it into something else. I wish I would have known about this book years ago when I was a new cook as I believe it would be especially helpful for beginners. Not that experienced cooks won't benefit as well but it is one of those "all you need to know type books" which helps beginners. Anyway, what's not to like about a Betty Crocker cook book. Many of us grew up with Betty Crocker, one way or another, so this cook book is nostalgic as well! I'm happy I had a chance to catch up on this wonderful Betty Crocker Picture Cookbook. It is a gem!

I was a little taken aback when the cookbook arrived and it wasn't the hardback book I'd bought myself in the 'sixties, but a loose-leaf with the same cover. Then, buoyed up by the 'oohs' and 'ahhs' of my daughters, I got over it. This format might even hold up better than the old one. This was the first cookbook I had when I married and I've never known a better one. Along with its vintage appeal - all the little drawings look like characters out of *Mad Men* - it is great for providing step by step descriptions of How To Cook. Many of the recipes are nourishing but fairly simple. I've cooked a long, long time now and that's what I want, not intricate concoctions with ingredients that grow stale in the press, despite the attraction of the gorgeous 'food porn' pictures that are plentiful now. Like, how you prepare a vegetable hitherto avoided, and how long to cook it. I will get by fine, I think, with this book and Helen Corbett's Cook Book of around the same vintage, and the Barefoot Contessa

Back to Basics, (a gift from one of my favourite people on earth.) The next problem is the Will. I've got three daughters. Would the Betty Crocker crowd ever reprint it, 'just for badness,' as the Irish say?

First, I ordered the ring bound version and even the sticker from the seller said "ring bound" on it, but it was the hardback version instead. So, here are my thoughts: in the hardback version, it is much more difficult to use because the dividers for the sections are missing. There are none. Rather like looking into a filing cabinet with all the papers filed without folders or dividers. So that was disappointing. The index is terribly difficult to use, as it is not in alphabetical order, but rather what is normally listed on the section dividers. The index that used to be in the back which was alphabetical is not included. This is the 1998 reprint, and for the price I paid, it's OK, but if I had seen it first I would not have bought it. The recipes in it are fine. The post from the lady regarding pages 433-434, they are not in this printing at all, her correction did not work in this version. I'm a teacher, so if I were giving this reprint a grade it would be a C. The original would have had an A.

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