

Cookbooks

Gift Books 2008

List compiled by Everett Public Library staff – ask us for more great recommendations!

There are so many good cookbooks to choose from this year! Those listed below have received excellent reviews, and many reflect today's emphasis on local, healthy foods. Whether you are purchasing for yourself, for gift giving, or both, you won't go wrong with any of these.

1. *In Season: Cooking with Vegetables and Fruits* by Sarah Raven

No nonsense, but "gorgeous" "expansive" and "more than encyclopedic."

2. *It Seemed Like a Good Idea at the Time: My Adventures in Life and Food* by Moira Hodgson

Hodgson is, perhaps, a more reasonable version of Anthony Bourdain. This is not really a cookbook but a delightful retelling of her culinary adventures.

3. *1080 Recipes* by Simone Ortega

Spain's favorite cookbook for 30 years running has been revised and updated, and is available in English.

4. *The Splendid Table's How to Eat Supper: Recipes, Stories, and Opinions* by Lynne Rossetto Kasper and Sally Swift.

Tasty recipes from the NPR food experts.

5. *Outstanding in the Field: A Farm to Table Cookbook* by Jim Denevan with Marah Stets

Designed to encourage the reader to "reconnect with the land." Features brief biographies of farmers and other food producers.

6. *The Bon Appétit Fast Easy Fresh Cookbook: 1,100 Quick Dishes for Everynight Cooking* by Barbara Fairchild

An update of this instant classic, with an emphasis on in-season ingredients.

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7. *The Farm to Table Cookbook: The Art of Eating Locally* by Ivy Manning

Includes tips on how to shop at a farmers market.

8. *The Paley's Place Cookbook: Recipes and Stories from the Pacific Northwest* by the owners of Paley's Place Bistro and Bar in Portland, OR.

9. *The Scout's Outdoor Cookbook* by Christine Bulson and Tim Conners

These recipes from *Scouting* magazine's national cooking contest make a great gift for the outdoor enthusiast.