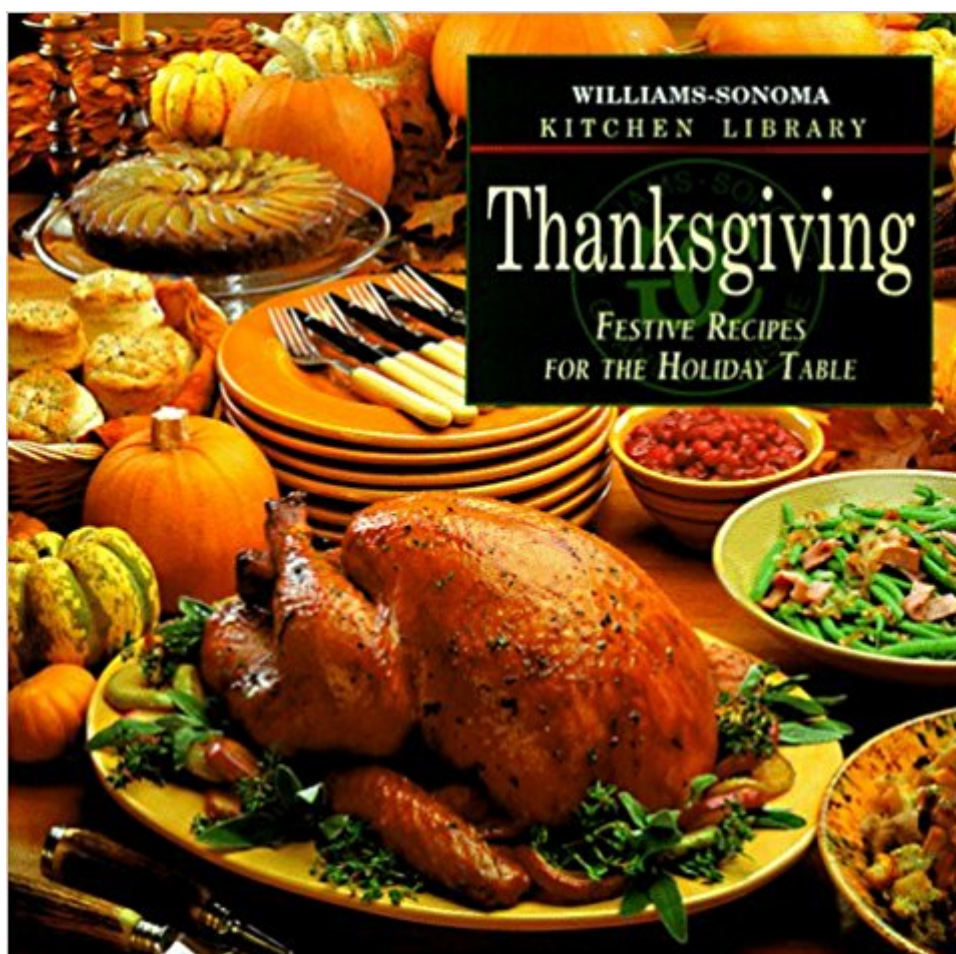


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# Thanksgiving: Festive Recipes For The Holiday Table (Williams Sonoma Kitchen Library)



## Synopsis

Whether your tastes run to the traditional or more adventurous, this Thanksgiving can be the tastiest one ever with the help of this Williams-Sonoma cookbook. From first course to last, cooks will find everything they need for a delicious holiday gathering.

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## Customer Reviews

I misplaced my copy during a remodel, so I just had to buy another copy! The menus consist of wonderfully complimentary dishes that are a delight to the palate! I had been eating the traditional southern T'giving meal for many years, all prepared by others...relatives, friends, restaurants. They were pretty good for the most part, but none were outstanding. And leftovers were tiresome by the third meal. I never realized until I ate from the menus in this book that there could be such delectable flavors to the turkey meal!!! I was initiated to the culinary delight of complimentary flavors!!! I love that it takes the traditional dishes and adds a fresh, gourmet taste and flair that thrills your taste buds and you never tire of the leftovers! This was amazing!!! I could not wait to eat more of the same dishes!! Even the fourth or fifth time was still a delight!!! I made my first T'giving meal in 1999 using this book....every dish...and had the highest praises! Even my sister, who is a gourmet and has always made the clan's T'giving meal was shocked and impressed!! I think she was a little jealous, too! ; ) So, if you are new to holiday cooking, (or just want to try something fresh) get this book!! It is sure to impress!! The meals are all easy to prepare, although some are time-consuming. Just take your time and prepare some of the dishes a day or two prior to the big feast!!

I love love love this book. I lent my first to a friend and ordered her to return it... She did not...she is not unfriended. So I ordered a new one. I have made every thing in this book. The spiced nuts are a great CHRISTMAS gift. Hope you buy this one and add it to your collection.

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I am writing this the day after Thanksgiving. The first Thanksgiving for which I was entirely responsible myself. I don't cook, I'm the "order takeout" type of person. So you can imagine the jitters I had when facing the challenge of what to cook for the first Thanksgiving at my house. Thankfully, Williams Sonoma's Thanksgiving recipe book saved the party. Not only saved it, but made it a huge success. The recipes were laughably easy and most of all very quick to make, yet everything I fixed had a definite festive touch - not your everyday homecooking at all. The book features beautiful color pictures of all dishes, along with the clearest of instructions for even the most unexperienced cook like me. There are plenty of recipes to choose from - from simple to more sophisticated, from traditional sweet potatoes and green beans to more unusual side dishes, but all are very manageable. However, not only side dishes are listed here. There are various turkey recipes to choose from, as well as desserts. The book also addresses essentials like how to make turkey stock, gravy and cranberry sauce (I highly recommend the one with ginger and fresh grapefruit juice/zest!) and comes complete with recommendations for different menu courses from simple to elegant. Of course, there is also a section on recommended cooking and serving tools. My summary: I have no experience whatsoever with cooking, but everything I made yesterday tasted simply delicious. Thanks, Williams Sonoma! I might be a chef after all!!! Now, if I could just decide whether my favorite were the yams with pecan nut topping, or the sauteed corn with chipotle peppers. Or maybe the Brussels sprouts with orange zest and hazelnuts, but who could forget the green bean salad with the caramelized onions and goat cheese...

This book has become our family tradition for Thanksgiving. We like a traditional meal, and this book has all the foods we want to prepare with nice variations. Every year we pull it off the shelf and select recipes for the year. Along with plenty of recipes to choose from, it has all the vital information you need for Thanksgiving in a nice compact form. Turkey roasting times, carving instructions, checklists, and timing guides are all included. It is convenient to have all of the recipes in one book. Each year we cook some of the same recipes and we try a couple of new things. Every recipe has

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I think of this as a book for people who don't have much experience with making Thanksgiving Day dinner. Which, considering that there are always people for whom cooking such a dinner is a new thing, is good. I like the starters, especially the soups and salads, and I particularly like the desserts, which are mainly apple crisps, poached pears, and the like. Definitely worth consulting.

This is a helpful book, especially if you haven't "done" thanksgiving before. A great primer for everything you need to know (how to make stock) and a glossary of terms in the back plus lots of great recipes.

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