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4 of 4 people found the following review helpful. The recipes in the book are good - these pies are a bit complicated and sophisticatedBy AlisonWe have been using this book for our "Saturday pie day" - hubby picks a pie on Thursday, we get ingredients on Friday, and I bake the pie on Saturday. It made hubby feel so important, he absolutely loves this book.The recipes in the book are good - these pies are a bit complicated and sophisticated, but they are not difficult to bake. For example, for apple pie I have been using whatever apples I have in hands, with sugar, vanilla extract and cinnamon (nutmeg if I feel fancy), but the recipe in this book might suggest a couple more spices, or specify which type of apple, or suggest a new way to process them, or pair the pie with a different crust. There were times I felt that a particular recipe could be too much work, but most of the time the workload is reasonable. And it makes hubby feel fancy.This pie book also presents some crust recipes that I was not familiar before. And interestingly, when I testes these crust recipes against the ones highly praised on internet, we actually liked the ones from this book better. Before, 99% of time for fruit pies I use double butter crusts, but after trying different pie crusts, I pair berry pie and peach pie with quite a few different crusts now. Some recipes are pretty traditional, which is great conversation piece for parties.

I was surprised when older folks were reminded their childhood pie by the pie I baked from this book. So now, whenever I bake for a gathering, I always pick a recipe from this book. The downside of this book though, is the index. There is no good way of finding out which pie is on which page. It did list the name of the pie at the beginning of each chapter, but chapters are arranged by the type of the pie but not by ingredients, so if you want to find recipes for, let's say an apple pie, you would have to go through the first page of each chapter to get an idea of which apple pie recipes this book offers. The back index does not help much either, since it is based on the first letter of the name of the pie. So a name like "White Russian pie" does not help at all when you look for a pie with coffee, if you do not know what White Russian pie is supposed to be. I'd like to see a list of the names of pies at the beginning of the book, with main ingredient listed. Hubby has to flip through entire book to find a pie for the ingredients he has in mind. So lately he has been just opening the book and pointing on random pages... Overall I would recommend the book. I bake with it. It does make me feel like hitting "Ctrl+F" sometimes though.

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