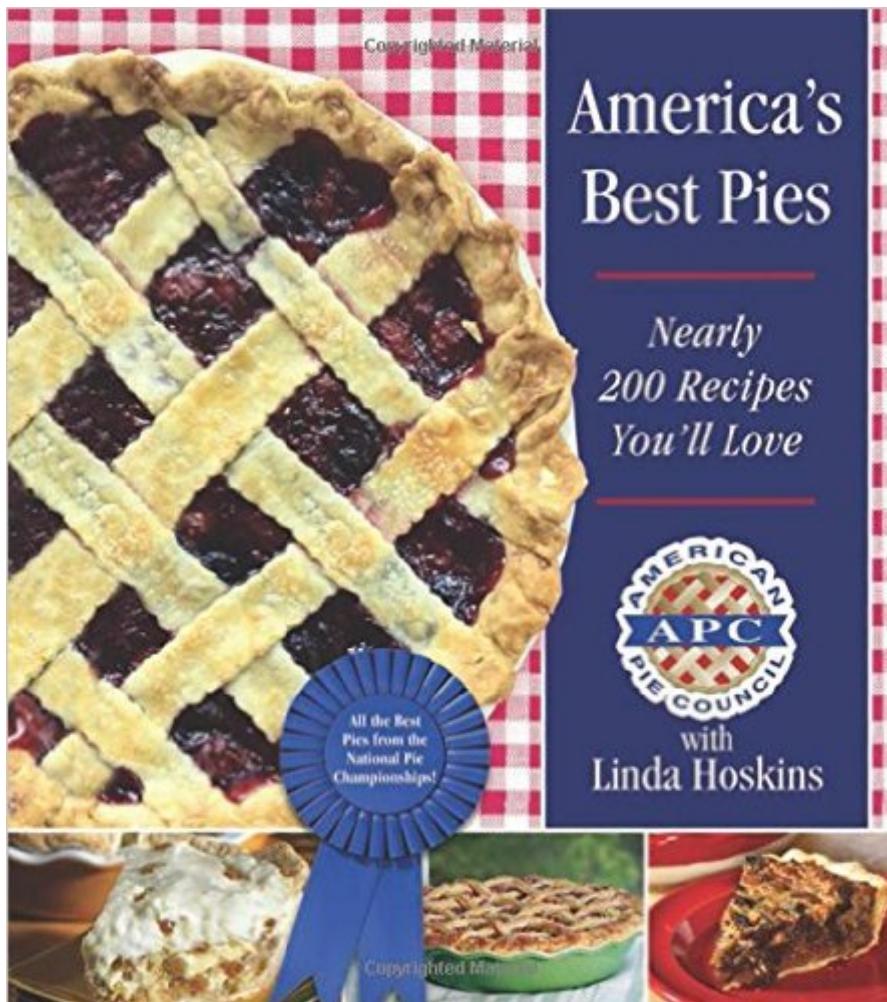


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# America's Best Pies: Nearly 200 Recipes You'll Love



## Synopsis

Since 1995, amateur, commercial, and professional bakers have competed in the National Pie Championships to determine who makes the best pies in America. The Ultimate Book of Pies is a collection of nearly 200 delicious recipes that have won awards at the National Pie Championships. From the unusual "My Big Fat Italian Strawberry Basil Wedding Pie" to the traditional, such as Apple Pie, every recipe has been reviewed by judges and determined to be an award-winning pie. These selections are considered some of the best of the best from across the country. When you start making these pies at home, you'll see why! The Ultimate Book of Pies is packed with color photographs of the pies you'll learn to make and love. As a special treat to give you a taste of what the championships are like, many of the photographs are of the actual pies entered in the competition. The recipes inside are clearly explained so that the expert and the future expert piemaker can enjoy alike. Whether it's apple, custard, strawberry, or raisin that captures your taste buds, you're sure to find a recipe that you can't wait to try. Just be sure to share your tantalizing creations with friends and family, and get ready to serve seconds!

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## Customer Reviews

We had the pleasure of attending the National Pie Championship in Celebration, Florida, near Walt Disney World (something you really should check out if you are there visiting the Mouse when the pie festival is also going on, late April I think). The pies sounded so unique and mouthwatering when the judges announced the winners (like "Pecan Maple Streusel Pumpkin Pie" for example). So when I saw this book, containing recipes of some of the best from the National Pie Championship, I just

had to buy it. I have tried some of the combinations in this cooking/baking book and I am absolutely enthralled by the wonderful and unique pie recipes. Internet searches will not replace this gem. This has taken my own pies to a new level and our family can't wait to be invited over to try the next new pie combination. This is a must buy if you like baking and enjoying deserts (meaning pies). Now I need to get started on my next pie....

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Although I have always been fond of baked goods, I had no idea how much I love pie until I got this book. *America's Best Pies* is a solid assortment of tried-and-true pie recipes featuring unique pies consisting of unlikely (but delicious) ingredient combinations in addition to more traditional recipes. So far, my favorites are the Pecan Maple Struessel Pumpkin Pie and the Royal Sapphire Blueberry Pie--both are to die for. Not only are the contents of this book scrumptious, but the interior of this book is particularly colorful with a checkered tablecloth border on every page along with a generous helping of color photography (many from the actual contest). With about 200 recipes approved by the American Pie Council, this is the be-all end-all collection of pie recipes.

We have a couple of dessert books in our cookbook collection, and a few of the general cookbooks have some pie recipes, but if pie is your thing, this one may be the only cookbook you'll need. With almost 200 recipes for just about every kind of pie imaginable, there should be something for everyone here. My favorite pies are fruit pies with crispy crusts, and there are some mouth-watering recipes for my top favorites - apple and cherry pie. My wife is more into chocolate pie, and there are eleven recipes for those, including a chocolate cream pie with a ganache filling that she has her eye on. Recipes are hotlinked from the table of contents, making them easy enough to find. Some of the recipes have color photographs of the finished pie. Recipes include an ingredients list and clearly written instructions for making the crust and the filling for each pie. There are some really yummy-looking pies here, and all the pies have been vetted by winning an award in the annual American Pie Council Crisco National Pie Championships.

This cookbook is a pie-lovers' dream! I just received my book in the mail and it has so many recipes to choose from. The text is easy to read with helpful (and delicious-looking!) photos to accompany the majority of the recipes. I find myself looking for occasions to make these wonderfully beautiful pies. It's helpful to know that these pies were made by bakers like myself from all over the country.

I'm definitely considering entering in the APC/Crisco National Pie Championships in 2013 in Orlando, Fla! Can't wait!

Best pie recipes from the lady who heads up the American Pie Council. I now have multiple copies of the book, including one I can put away for the future, and one I can use as a edit/mark up copy to tweak the recipes to make them my own. In some cases, I add pure concentrated flavoring to cause the main fruit or ingredient to pop, a foil circle tent to keep the contents from over browning, a crust protector to protect the crust from over browning, a change of fruit, a substitution of Steen's Pure Louisiana Ribbon Cane syrup instead of Maple syrup and other tweaks. Linda Hoskins has done a great job with this. In an effort to be completely forthcoming, my wife and I are lifetime members of the American Pie Council.

Awkward bookA collection of prize winning pie recipes but no table of contents and an index with no active links. Pies are grouped oddly too. The only way to use is to bookmark pies and scan through.

I didn't find anything especially extraordinary about this book. It has some good recipes, but quite a few that sound very common that one could find almost anywhere. I was a little disappointed, but I am keeping it!!!

This book is fantastic! All of the recipes are prize winners so you know they are tested. The recipes are written clearly and easy to read with lots of great pictures. If you love to bake and/or eat pie, this is the book for you!!!

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