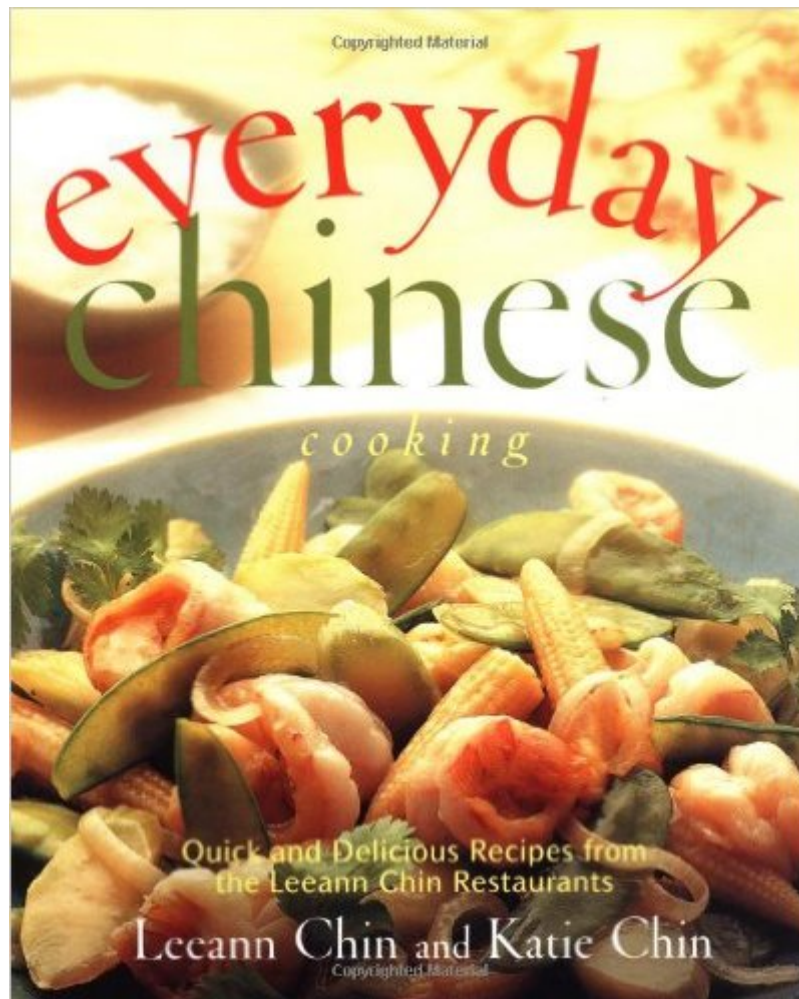


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Everyday Chinese Cooking: Quick And Delicious Recipes From The Leeann Chin Restaurants



Synopsis

"There are too many exotic ingredients." . . . "What about all that preparation?" . . . "I don't want to buy special equipment." . . . Acclaimed restaurateur Leeann Chin and her daughter Katie have heard all the excuses before, and in response they present their collection of delicious, simple recipes that will make any cook feel like a gourmet Chinese chef. Everyday Chinese Cooking proves that the very best Chinese cooking can be achieved in a real home kitchen, by real people, on real schedules. As a young, time-strapped mother cooking for a family of eight on a limited budget -- and in her new home of Minnesota, half a world away from where she was raised -- Leeann Chin developed recipes that worked for her new lifestyle, without access to all the ingredients of her homeland and within the constraints of a very busy life. The results speak for themselves: quick, flavorful, accessible but authentic Chinese dishes that could make you consider opening up your own take-out restaurant. More than 150 recipes encompass appetizers, soups, poultry, beef, pork, seafood, vegetables, noodles, rice, and desserts. Introductions to each recipe provide completely usable information, such as ingredient substitutions, make-ahead tips, serving suggestions, and other ideas for real-life cooking and eating. Everyday Chinese Cooking is more than quick and easy food; it's also naturally healthful. Best of all, once you get a few recipes under your belt (in every sense of the word) you'll realize that Chinese cooking is truly one of the most convenient ways to get dinner on the table with the least amount of stress. Leeann Chin's incredibly successful restaurants have been voted "Best Chinese Food" by Minneapolis & St. Paul Magazine in the Minneapolis area for more than a dozen consecutive years. With the help of her daughter Katie, Leeann proves that Chinese food can -- and should -- be an everyday option for home cooks of all experience levels, everywhere.

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Customer Reviews

Finally a chinese cookbook that makes it simple to duplicate the taste you get at a restaurant. This book has very easy to follow recipes that use ingredients I could find at my local store. It has recommendations on how to incorporate chinese food into your family's regular diet. I have loved every recipe I have made out of this book and I can't say that about most cookbooks. I feel that this book has helped me feed my family a healthier diet. Highly recommended!

As a full-time student, I was attracted to the simplicity of the recipes, practically all of which require just a few key ingredients and the most ordinary kitchen cookware. The instructions are clear and include helpful substitution suggestions at the top of each recipe. The book also contains beautiful photographs of most of the vegetables, spices, and sauces used in the dishes (helpful for anyone caught in the bewildering aisles of a Chinese grocery store) as well as mouthwatering photos of some of the finished dishes. The recipes are simple and quick, not to mention nutritious and delicious! It is the first cookbook I've owned, and I would definitely recommend this book to other novice cooks who like traditional Chinese food.

At first I was a little thrown off by the lack of pictures, but the recipes are so straightforward and easy to follow, that it's not that much of a hurdle. I borrowed this book from the library a few weeks ago and have already tried a half-dozen recipes (To name a few: Beef with rice stick noodle soup, stir-fried pork with zucchini, asparagus with wild mushrooms, and salmon w/ tofu). The great thing is that there is a lot of room to play around and make substitutions for ingredients. For years I've been looking for a cookbook like this... one that would teach me how to re-create the flavor of a home-cooked Chinese meal. I finally found it!

we love using this cook book, the food is delicious, the only problem is living in a small town, it's hard to find some of the ingredients.. so we have to plan way ahead. It's fairly easy and worth it. If you love Chinese food, and you enjoy cooking, give this book a try

If you're looking for a quick an easy route to achieve good Chinese food, I highly recommend this

book. Recipes are simple and uncomplicated and the results I've gotten have been impressive. It's not stellar, but it's good food.

Copy #1 disappeared over time... I lived in Minneapolis for a time and there were 'to go' stores affiliated with the main sitdown restaurant in Minneapolis, all over the metro; that had stuff under glass on steamtables, and they would dish it up as ordered for takeout or in some places, delivery. When I moved away, I had to have both of the cookbooks that were out; to make my own. This is really good food considering everything; even my better half can make good meals from these recipes. The fact I had to buy another copy of the one missing book tells you how good this stuff is. I do recommend, especially the sweet and sour pork or chicken; and the lemon chicken recipes.

initially i was not crazy about this cookbook, because it doesn't have a lot of pictures. (it has maybe 20 pictures in the whole book, total) But after cooking a few recipes, I've come to enjoy it! They actually do give recipes of dishes that Chinese people eat; vs. i.e. chinese takeout cookbooks. I have to admit that I've eaten some of these dishes in restaurants & wondered how they were made, & now I don't have to wonder. If you want to cook Chinese, but also make it quick & easy, then this is a good book for you.

Katie and her Mom have written a lovely and entertaining book with delicious recipes from Mrs. Chin's famous restaurants. Simple to follow directions with great tasting dishes. You can make better meals than any take-out in your locale. Try the book and trust you'll be happy with the results.

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