

## Chocolates And Confections Formula Theory And Technique For The Artisan Confectioner

The authors had five objectives in preparing this book: (i) to bring together relevant information on many raw materials used in the manufacture of sweets and chocolate; (ii) to describe the principles involved and to relate them to production with maximum economy but maintaining high quality; (iii) to describe both traditional and modern production processes, in particular those continuous methods which are finding increasing application; (iv) to give basic recipes and methods, set out in a form for easy reference, for producing a large variety of sweets, and capable of easy modification to suit the raw materials and plant available; (v) to explain the elementary calculations most likely to be required. The various check lists and charts, showing the more likely faults and how to eliminate them, reflect the fact that art still plays no small part in this industry. To help users all over the world, whatever units they employ, most formulations are given in parts by weight, but tables of conversion factors are provided at the end of the book. There also will be found a collection of other general reference data in tabular form; while the Glossary explains a number of technical terms, many of them peculiar to the industry.

Today's chocolates have gone upmarket, mixing flavours such as chile peppers, caramel or wasabi with high-quality bittersweet or imported chocolate. Luckily creating such mouth-watering confections at home no longer requires a cooking degree - Making Fine Chocolates will teach you all the inside tips, techniques and methods for making chocolates like a professional chocolatier at home. Once only available to pastry chefs, the techniques shown here will help you create chocolates to rival those found in upmarket retail shops and specialist chocolate shops. Forget milk chocolate bars - the recipes in this book combine daring and unusual flavours to create truly unique creations. Using ingredients such as vanilla bean, mint and fresh raspberries, Andrew Garrison Shotts will teach you how to create one-of-a-kind homemade chocolates, truffles and confections that will dazzle your friends and family.

Macarons, the stuff of bakers' candy-coated dreams, have taken the world by storm and are demystified here for the home baker, With dozens of flavor combinations, recipes are structured with three basic shell methods—French, Swiss, and Italian—plus one never-before-seen Easiest French Macaron Method. Pick one that works for you, and go on to create French-inspired pastry magic with nothing more than a mixer, an oven, and a piping bag. Try shells flavored with pistachio, blackberry, coconut, and red velvet, filled with the likes of sesame buttercream, strawberry guava pâte de fruit, crunchy dark chocolate ganache, and lemon curd. Or go savory with shells like saffron, parsley, and ancho chile paired with fillings like hummus, foie gras with black currant, and duck confit with port and fig. The options for customization are endless, and the careful, detailed instruction is like a private baking class in your very own kitchen! All recipes have been tested by students and teachers alike and are guaranteed to bring the flavors of France right to your door.

Dark and luxurious or creamy and light ... drizzling, oozing or baked ... there are many ways to enjoy chocolate, but there is only one 'Queen of Chocolate'. Kirsten Tibballs, world-renowned chocolatier and pastry chef, has devoted her life to the pursuit of delightful desserts, perfecting her techniques and creating decadent treats that make people happy. Whether you're after a knockout chocolate mousse cake, sticky chocolate doughnut or the best brownie you've ever tasted, Kirsten has you covered. Her favourite chocolate recipes, road-tested at her cooking school, and detailed explanations of steps and techniques will instill confidence in the most kitchen-shy of chocolate lovers. So, go on - melt that bowl of chocolate, line a baking sheet and relax ... You're in the hands of a professional.

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Beloved À la Mère de Famille confectioneries are a venerable Parisian institution. This, their first cookbook after more than 250 years in business, is as tempting and gorgeous as the shop's bewitching displays. With the edges of the book dyed a brilliant orange and a cover featuring an enchanting candy-shop window and richly embossed lettering, this is one of the most beautiful cookbooks you've ever seen. Inside, each of the 95 recipes for classic confections has been lovingly photographed. For the home candymaker always looking for new and better formulas—and for bakers of all skill levels—this is a complete collection of recipes for À la Mère de Famille favorites, from cakes to marshmallows to ice creams and more.

Couture Chocolate examines the origins of one of the world's most popular foods--explaining the method of creating chocolate, how its quality depends to a large extent on the variety of beans used, and the differences between plain, milk and white chocolates. It reveals how some of today's most popular flavors - such as vanilla and chilli - were those favored by the pioneering Aztec chocolatiers centuries ago. William shares his techniques and most mouth-watering recipes, starting with the basics: tempering and making a bar of chocolate; advice on how to add exotic flavors like rosemary or raspberry; and introducing different textures. Once those skills have been mastered, it's time to tackle some of the authors incredible creations.

The Valrhona cooking school presents everything the amateur or professional baker needs to learn about cooking with chocolate. One hundred fundamental techniques and more than a hundred recipes are explained with step-by-step photographs and clear instructions. Home chefs will learn chocolate basics (tempering, ganaches, pralines), baker's secrets (marbling, faultless cake crusts, beating egg whites), and how to make candy fillings, decorations, doughs, cream and mousse bases, ice creams and sorbets, and sauces. Bakers can refer back to these building blocks as they progress with an increasing level of expertise through recipes from icing and cookie dough to macaroons and impressive mounted desserts. Recipes include the great classics (Black Forest cake, profiteroles), tarts and tartlets (chocolate-pear, nut caramel), shared delights, teatime treats (chocolate-vanilla waffles, brownies), iced desserts (chocolate cappuccino parfait, raspberry meringue with hot chocolate sauce), special-occasion splurges (dark chocolate fondue, hazelnut-praline Yule log), candies and confections (truffles, lollipops, chocolate-covered cherries), and savory dishes using chocolate. Visual dictionaries of basic equipment and commonly used ingredients, tips for conserving chocolate, a guide to cocoa content, a glossary, and detailed indexes complete the volume.

The reference of choice for thousands of pastry chefs and home cooks  
A favorite of pastry lovers and serious chefs worldwide,  
The Professional Pastry Chef presents comprehensive coverage of basic baking and pastry techniques in a fresh and approachable way. Now skillfully revised and redesigned to meet the needs of today's pastry kitchen, this classic reference is better-and easier to use-than ever. The new edition contains more than 650 recipes, which offer a new emphasis on American applications of European techniques with yields suitable for restaurant service or for entertaining at home. It shares encyclopedic guidance on everything from mise en place preparation and basic doughs to new chapters covering flatbreads, crackers, and homestyle desserts. Throughout, award-winning Executive Pastry Chef Bo Friberg explains not only how to perform procedures, but also the principles behind them, helping readers to build a firm foundation based on understanding rather than memorizing formulas. Illustrated step-by-step instructions demystify even the most complex techniques and presentations, while 100 vivid color

photographs bring finished dishes to life with a sublime touch of visual inspiration. Whether used to develop skills or refine techniques, to gain or simply broaden a repertoire, *The Professional Pastry Chef* is filled with information and ideas for creating mouthwatering baked goods and tantalizing desserts—today and for years to come.

Create your own delicious, gorgeous, and professional-quality candies with *The Sweet Book of Candy Making*. Whether you're a beginner or a seasoned candy maker, you will find mouthwatering recipes and expert tips to inspire you—and satisfy your sweet tooth. Inside, you'll find: —Candy-making essentials: all you need to know about equipment, ingredients, and techniques, including step-by-step lessons on pulling taffy, rolling truffles, filling peanut butter cups, and more —More than 50 recipes for sugar candies, fondant, caramels, toffee, fudge, truffles, chocolates, marshmallows, and fruit and nut candies —Troubleshooting tips for each type of candy —How to perfect the classics you love, from English Toffee to Chocolate Fudge to Peanut Brittle —Try your hand at something new: Pistachio Marzipan Squares, Passion Fruit Marshmallows, Mango-Macadamia Nut Caramels, Lemon Meringue Lollipops, and more —Decorating techniques to show off your tasty results Get started in your kitchen with *The Sweet Book of Candy Making!*

Chocolate Mint Meltaways. PB&J Cups. Chai Latte Lollipops. Cherry Cordials, Spicy Pralines, and the cult favorite, Beer and Pretzel Caramels. Plus candy bars—the Twist Bar, the Nutty Bar, the Coconut-Lime Bar, inspired by commercial favorites (Snickers, Twix) but taken to new heights of deliciousness. And the French-style sea salt caramels that Daniel Boulud claimed were better than those he'd tasted in France. Yes, you really can make these sublime treats at home thanks to Liz Gutman and Jen King, the classically trained pastry chefs who traded in their toques to make candy—and now lead the candy-craft movement as proprietors of Liddabit Sweets, the Brooklyn confectionery whose products have drawn the attention of *The Early Show*, *Fox and Friends*, the *Cooking Channel*, *O, The Oprah Magazine*, *Real Simple*, *Food & Wine*, *GQ*, and more. Doing for candymaking what *Jeni's Splendid Ice Cream* did for ice cream, *The Liddabit Sweets Candy Cookbook* is the perfect marriage of sugar and spice, packed with 75 foolproof recipes, full-color photographs, and lots of attitude. The approachable recipes, offbeat humor, and step-by-step photographs remind us that home candymaking is meant to be fun. The flavor combinations, down-to-earth advice, and easy directions make this the guide to turn to whether making candy for a treat, a holiday, a gift, or a bake sale.

With a new introduction.

Provides step-by-step instructions for professional baking techniques; covers baking principles, equipment, and ingredients; and includes more than nine hundred recipes as well as tips on baking for special diets.

Bruce Weinstein, author of *The Ultimate Ice Cream Book*, has the answer with this collection of confections. Try his rich chocolate truffles or any one of a dozen variations; sweet, chewy caramel with almonds or coconut; buttery pralines with crunchy pecans; or light-as-air divinity, nougat, and marshmallow. Craft your own candy Christmas ornaments to hang on your tree, pipe chocolate spiderwebs for a scary Halloween touch, or whip up meringue kisses for your honey on Valentine's Day. Bruce even offers step-by-step instructions for creating your own homemade versions of classic favorites like peanut butter cups, gummy bears, and chewing

gum. If you have a sweet tooth or know someone who does, *The Ultimate Candy Book* -- filled with hundreds of year-round treats and gift-giving ideas -- is ultimately satisfying.

Enrobed and filled confectionery and bakery products, such as praline-style chocolates, confectionery bars and chocolate-coated biscuits and ice-creams, are popular with consumers. The coating and filling can negatively affect product quality and shelf-life, but with the correct product design and manufacturing technology, the characteristics of the end-product can be much improved. This book provides a comprehensive overview of quality issues affecting enrobed and filled products and strategies to enhance product quality. Part one reviews the formulation of coatings and fillings, with chapters on key topics such as chocolate manufacture, confectionery fats, compound coatings and fat and sugar-based fillings. Product design issues, such as oil, moisture and ethanol migration and chocolate and filling rheology are the focus of Part two. Shelf-life prediction and testing are also discussed. Part three then covers the latest ingredient preparation and manufacturing technology for optimum product quality. Chapters examine tempering, enrobing, chocolate panning, production of chocolate shells and deposition technology. With its experienced team of authors, *Science and technology of enrobed and filled chocolate, confectionery and bakery products* is an essential purchase for professionals in the chocolate, confectionery and bakery industries. Provides a comprehensive review of quality issues affecting enrobed and filled products Reviews the formulation of coatings and fillings, addressing confectionery fats, compound coatings and sugar based fillings Focuses on product design issues such as oil, moisture and chocolate filling rheology

Up-to-date, advanced techniques for the professional pastry chef and serious home baker *The Advanced Professional Pastry Chef* brings up-to-date coverage of the latest baking and pastry techniques to a new generation of pastry chefs and serious home bakers. This book covers advanced material and--like chef Bo's classic *The Professional Pastry Chef: Fundamentals of Baking and Pastry, Fourth Edition* (Wiley: 0-471-35925-4)--contains contemporary information to meet the needs of today's pastry kitchen. This volume contains nearly 500 recipes, which emphasize the techniques and presentations offered in top restaurants and bakeshops today. Topics covered in depth include decorated cakes, modernist desserts, wedding cakes and holiday favorites, sugar work, marzipan figures, and chocolate decorations. Illustrated step-by-step instructions demystify even the most complex techniques and preparations, while over 100 vivid color photographs bring finished dishes to life. Bo Friberg (Greenbrae, CA) is a Certified Master Pastry Chef and Executive Pastry Chef at the San Diego Culinary Institute. He has more than forty years of experience in the industry and has received numerous awards and honors for his work.

Master chocolatier John Slattery reveals his indulgent recipes behind his famous chocolate cakes, showpieces and confectionary. John Slattery is renowned for his expert eye and great imagination as he makes confectionary and cakes to wow and delight. Favourite treats from his own store Slattery's in Manchester are revealed so that fans can enjoy them in the comfort of their home. For the more advanced cook, the carefully planned recipes behind his stunning celebrations are no longer kept for just the store with his easy-to-follow recipes. With chocolate recipes ranging from everything from

sweet treats such as tempting chocolate brownies and cute chocolate cupcakes to indulgent chocolate tarts and show-stopping layered chocolate cakes - this really is a must-have chocolate book for any chocoholic. And with clear how to guides, concise instructions and step-by-step pictures - creating John's masterpieces are easier than ever. Techniques and equipment are clearly explained and give the reader the opportunity to really master their own chocolatier skills.

Covering everything from tempering to moulding, layering and coating and even chocolate types and history - this chocolate book really unwrap all the secrets and techniques behind the world's most popular ingredient.

Offers recipes for truffles, chocolate candies, caramel candies, nut brittles, marzipan, fudge, nougat, and fruit candies, and includes tips on ingredients and techniques

A gorgeous professional-level guide to the most challenging form of the confectioner's art A showpiece created entirely from sugar is truly a work of art, and it takes an eye for design and strong pastry skills to work with this delicate medium.

The Art of the Confectioner is the ultimate guide to working with sugar to create beautiful sugar and pastillage shapes, flowers, figurines, and breathtaking full-scale showpieces. Author and award-winning pastry chef Ewald Notter shares wisdom gained from more than 35 years in the pastry kitchen, and combines straightforward advice and step-by-step instructions with lessons on developing artistry and design skills. The book begins with a basic overview of sugar, including information on the equipment and ingredients needed to work with sugar and Isomalt. Subsequent chapters cover Pastillage, Sugar Casting, Sugar Pulling, Sugar Blowing, and New Trends in Sugarwork, and include detailed instructions on how to make everything from delicate flowers to whimsical blown sugar figurines. And the final chapter shows how readers can bring together all the skills learned throughout the book to create award-winning sugar and pastillage showpieces. From working with shapes and color and choosing a focus point to developing a sculpture based on a particular theme, Notter provides insights into all the tricks of the trade and expert advice on preparing for competitions. Throughout the book, techniques are explained with simple, step-by-step instructions and illustrated with clear how-to photos, while stunning showpiece beauty shots provide inspiration. The book includes hundreds of color photos as well as beautiful hand-painted watercolor illustrations by the author, and an Appendix of templates is provided to help readers replicate the showpieces shown throughout the book. For pastry students, aspiring confectioners, and professional pastry chefs looking to improve their skills for restaurant work or competition, The Art of the Confectioner is a must-have guide from one of the field's most well-known experts.

Demonstrates basic candy making techniques and shares recipes for fondants, truffles, fudges, caramels, brittles, hard candies, nougats, divinity, taffies, buttermints, and molded candies

Bloom takes the rich luxurious flavor of caramel to new heights with these recipes for cakes, tarts, cookies, custards,



candies, ice creams, and other delicious desserts.

Forget milk chocolate molded into childish candy bars. Today's chocolate candies use chocolates with high cocoa content and less sugar than previously available and are molded into highly decorated pieces of art. Once only accessible to pastry chefs and candy makers, home cooks can now purchase high-end domestic and imported chocolates in their local specialty stores. The recent availability of bittersweet chocolates coupled with our access to a global food market and unique ingredients has created an increased interest in artisanal chocolates. Drew Shotts has been at the forefront of this renaissance because of his daring use of unique flavor combinations not typically associated with chocolates, such as chili peppers, maple syrup, and spiced chai tea. *Making Artisan Chocolates* shows readers how to recreate Drew's unexpected flavors at home through the use of herbs, flowers, chilies, spices, vegetables, fruits, dairies and liquors.

Features over one hundred color photographs, techniques, and recipes of chocolates and confections that can be made at home.

How sweet it is! More than 100 recipes plus terrific tips and tricks Explore the art of cooking candy and create sweet masterpieces! If you want to concoct irresistible treats for your friends and family, this book gets you cooking! You'll discover proper techniques and use them to create incredible candies. Recipes range from fondues to fondants, simple meltaways to decadent truffles, fun kids' treats to cream-filled delicacies. Indulge! Discover how to \* Choose the proper utensils and ingredients \* Melt, temper, and mold chocolate \* Fine-tune your skills with professional secrets \* Create special holiday treats \* Bag, box, or wrap candies for gifts

The essential guide to truly stunning desserts from pastry chef Francisco Migoya In this gorgeous and comprehensive new cookbook, Chef Migoya begins with the essential elements of contemporary desserts—like mousses, doughs, and ganaches—showing pastry chefs and students how to master those building blocks before molding and incorporating them into creative finished desserts. He then explores in detail pre-desserts, plated desserts, dessert buffets, passed desserts, cakes, and petits fours. Throughout, gorgeous and instructive photography displays steps, techniques, and finished items. The more than 200 recipes and variations collected here cover virtually every technique, concept, and type of dessert, giving professionals and home cooks a complete education in modern desserts. More than 200 recipes including everything from artisan chocolates to French macarons to complex masterpieces like Bacon Ice Cream with Crisp French Toast and Maple Sauce Written by Certified Master Baker Francisco Migoya, a highly respected pastry chef and the author of *Frozen Desserts* and *The Modern Café*, both from Wiley Combining Chef Migoya's expertise with that of The Culinary Institute of America, *The Elements of Dessert* is a must-have resource for professionals, students, and

serious home cooks.

A sumptuous array of chocolate confections and treats presents more than sixty sinfully delicious, original recipes for dipped and molded chocolates, brownies, cookies, soufflés, cupcakes, and truffles--from Chocolate Shortbread Cookies with Truffle Cream Filling to Rocky Recchiuti Brownies and Double Dark Chocolate Soufflés.

From nationally-lauded San Francisco chocolate maker, Dandelion Chocolate, comes the first ever complete guide to making chocolate from scratch. From the simplest techniques and technology—like hair dryers to rolling pins—to the science and mechanics of making chocolate from bean to bar, Making Chocolate holds everything the founders and makers behind San Francisco's beloved chocolate factory have learned since the day they first cracked open a cocoa bean. Best known for their single origin chocolate made with only two ingredients—cocoa beans and cane sugar—Dandelion Chocolate shares all their tips and tricks to working with cocoa beans from different regions around the world. There are kitchen hacks for making chocolate at home, a deep look into the nuts, bolts, and ethics of sourcing beans and building relationships with producers along the supply chain, and for ambitious makers, tips for scaling up. Complete with 30 recipes from the chocolate factory's much-loved pastry kitchen, Making Chocolate is a resource for hobbyists and more ambitious makers alike, as well as anyone looking for maybe the very best chocolate chip cookie recipe in the world.

Provides detailed explanations of the chocolate and candy making processes, discussing equipment, ingredients, techniques, and pitfalls, while providing recipes for such treats as truffles, caramels, ganaches, gummies, and nougats. Candy-maker extraordinaire Jami Curl breaks down candy making into its most precise and foolproof steps. No guess work, no expensive equipment, just the best possible ingredients and stop-you-in-your-tracks-brilliant flavor combinations. She begins with the foundations of candy; how to create delicious syrups, purees, and "magic dusts" that are the building blocks for making lollipops, caramels, marshmallows, and gummy candy. But even more ingeniously, these syrups, purees, and magic dusts can be used to make a myriad of other sweet confections such as Strawberry Cream Soda, Peanut Butter Hot Fudge, Marshmallow Brownies, and Popcorn Ice Cream.

A compact connoisseur's guide, with recipes, to today's cutting-edge array of chocolates and chocolate makers from former Chez Panisse pastry chef David Lebovitz. In this compact volume, David Lebovitz gives a succinct cacao botany lesson, explains the process of chocolate making, runs through chocolate terminology and types, presents information on health benefits, offers an evaluating and buying primer, profiles the world's top chocolate makers and chocolatiers (with a whole chapter dedicated to Paris alone!), and shares dozens of little-known factoids in sidebars throughout the book. The Great Book of Chocolate includes more than 50 location and food photographs, and features more than 30 of Lebovitz's

favorite chocolate recipes, from Black-Bottom Cupcakes to Homemade Rocky Road Candy, Orange and Rum Chocolate Mousse Cake to Double Chocolate Chip Espresso Cookies. His extensive resource section (with websites for international ordering) can bring the world's best chocolate to every door. A self-avowed chocoholic, Lebovitz nibbles chocolate every day, and with *The Great Book of Chocolate* in hand, he figures the rest of us will too.

This book examines both the primary ingredients and the processing technology for making candies. In the first section, the chemistry, structure, and physical properties of the primary ingredients are described, as are the characteristics of commercial ingredients. The second section explores the processing steps for each of the major sugar confectionery groups, while the third section covers chocolate and coatings. The manner in which ingredients function together to provide the desired texture and sensory properties of the product is analyzed, and chemical reactions and physical changes that occur during processing are examined. Trouble shooting and common problems are also discussed in each section. Designed as a complete reference and guide, *Confectionery Science and Technology* provides personnel in industry with solutions to the problems concerning the manufacture of high-quality confectionery products.

Belgium is well-known for its delicious chocolate. Jean-Pierre Wybauw expresses in clear, concise language how to create and shape your own chocolates.

A must-have guide to chocolate making and chocolate showpiece design, from renowned confectionery expert Ewald Notter Covering the full spectrum of chocolate work—from the fundamentals of chocolate making to instruction on advanced showpiece design and assembly—*The Art of the Chocolatier* is the most complete and comprehensive guide to chocolate-making on the market. The book covers basic information on ingredients, equipment, and common techniques in the pastry kitchen, while also offering clear, step-by-step instructions on creating small candies and large-scale chocolate pieces. This is the ideal book for pastry students enrolled in chocolate and confectionery courses, as well as working professionals and even serious home confectioners who want to improve their skills in advanced chocolate work. Illustrated step-by-step instructions cover all the essentials of chocolate-making, from tempering and creating ganache and gianduja to using molds, transfer sheets, and more. An entire chapter devoted to *Creating a Competition Piece* covers the ins and outs of confectionery competition, from preparing for the event and developing a concept to designing and building a winning chocolate showpiece. Beautiful full-color photos throughout provide inspiration for chocolate décor and showpiece design, while clear how-to photos illustrate key techniques. *The Art of the Chocolatier* provides expert-level coverage of every aspect of the chocolatier's art for students and professionals alike.

*Chocolates & Confections, 2e* offers a complete and thorough explanation of the ingredients, theories, techniques, and formulas needed to create every kind of chocolate and confection. It is beautifully illustrated with 250 full-color photographs of ingredients, step-by-step techniques, and finished chocolates and confections. From truffles, hard candies, brittles, toffee, caramels, and taffy to butter ganache confections, fondants, fudges, gummies, candied fruit, marshmallows, divinity, nougat, marzipan, gianduja, and rochers, *Chocolates & Confections 2e* offers the tools and techniques for professional mastery.

The comprehensive guide to amazing cake decoration—now fully updated *Professional Cake Decorating* is a must-have resource for



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professional and aspiring cake artists, baking and pastry students, and cake decorating hobbyists, drawing on years of experience from master cake designer and IACP Award nominee Toba Garrett. This Second Edition has been completely revamped with gorgeous new photography and a fresh new design. The New Skills have been re-organized into a user-friendly, step-by-step format, and line art and photos throughout the book provide a visual reference for each new technique. The book begins with an introductory chapter on all the fundamentals of the cake designer's art, from covering a cake board to assembling and icing a layered cake to stacking cake tiers with pillars or columns. Subsequent chapters cover decorating techniques including Basic, Intermediate, and Advanced Piping Skills, The Art of Writing and Painting, Royal Icing Design Skills, Hand Modeling Skills, Pastillage Construction, Gumpaste Flowers, and much more. A chapter on Miniature Cakes and Decorated Cookies includes techniques for making petit fours and other small treats, while the Cake and Confectionery Gallery provides inspiration for decorators with nearly 20 full-page photos of breathtaking cakes and information on the techniques needed to complete each one. Garrett also includes recipes for cakes, fillings, icings, cookies, and more, as well as an appendix of templates to help decorators replicate the designs shown in the book.

It tells you everything you need to know about chocolate and sugar processing, rheology and shelf life.

Whether you like your chocolate gooey and rich, creamy and smooth, or nutty and dark, this Storey BASICS® guide shows you how to make your favorite sweet treats right at home. Bill Collins provides illustrated step-by-step instructions for a variety of chocolate-making techniques, including tempering, thickening, sugar boiling, mold filling, piping, and more. You'll soon be showcasing your confectioner's skills in decadent chocolate-dipped fruits, indulgent nut barks, and fudges that melt in your mouth.

A New York Times Bestseller Winner of the James Beard Award for General Cooking and the IACP Cookbook of the Year Award "The one book you must have, no matter what you're planning to cook or where your skill level falls."—New York Times Book Review Ever wondered how to pan-fry a steak with a charred crust and an interior that's perfectly medium-rare from edge to edge when you cut into it? How to make homemade mac 'n' cheese that is as satisfyingly gooey and velvety-smooth as the blue box stuff, but far tastier? How to roast a succulent, moist turkey (forget about brining!)—and use a foolproof method that works every time? As Serious Eats's culinary nerd-in-residence, J. Kenji López-Alt has pondered all these questions and more. In *The Food Lab*, Kenji focuses on the science behind beloved American dishes, delving into the interactions between heat, energy, and molecules that create great food. Kenji shows that often, conventional methods don't work that well, and home cooks can achieve far better results using new—but simple—techniques. In hundreds of easy-to-make recipes with over 1,000 full-color images, you will find out how to make foolproof Hollandaise sauce in just two minutes, how to transform one simple tomato sauce into a half dozen dishes, how to make the crispiest, creamiest potato casserole ever conceived, and much more.

From chocolate enthusiast to home chocolatier Making melt-in-your-mouth chocolate may seem daunting--but it doesn't have to be! Whether you're hoping to impress guests, give a delicious gift, or add something special to your baked goods--Chocolate for Beginners shows you how to create beautiful confections in the comfort of your own kitchen. Progress through easy to difficult recipe tutorials for melting, tempering, dipping, and decorating. Try your hand at confections, cookies, sauces, and more--or add a little creativity to your treats using tips for gift packaging, adventurous twists, and fun substitutions. Chocolate for Beginners includes: Bean to bar--Discover the basics with simple kitchen rules for selecting chocolate, tips on necessary equipment, troubleshooting suggestions, and more. Sweeten your skillset--Start crafting with techniques covering everything from coating confections, molding a chocolate shell, caramelizing sugar, and more. Cocoa cuisine--Satisfy your sweet tooth with 65 step-by-step recipes for a variety of rich truffles, tarts, cakes, mousses, and more. Sling on the apron

and turn up the heat--you have everything you need to start making crave-worthy bites that are sure to delight.

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