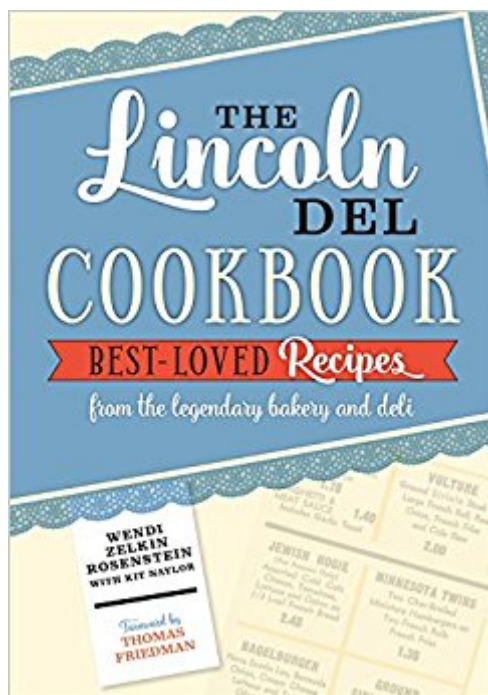


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The Lincoln Del Cookbook



Synopsis

For Jewish and non-Jewish customers alike, the Lincoln Del was a Minneapolis version of Cheers—•at the Del everybody knew your name. Folks hardly minded waiting in line for the fresh caraway rye, the cabbage borscht, the corned beef sandwiches, or the towering strawberry shortcake because every visit was like a family reunion, complete with warm embraces, recounted stories, boisterous jokes, and—•of course—•plenty of amazing food. From modest beginnings as a bakery in 1930s north Minneapolis to a local chain of three bustling restaurants in St. Louis Park and Bloomington, the Lincoln Del was a neighborhood institution for decades. These popular spots drew visitors from all over the metro and across the state, and even years later patrons nostalgically recall the tasty baked goods, the generously portioned sandwiches, and the sense of belonging that beckoned everyone who walked through the door. The Lincoln Del Cookbook gathers not only coveted recipes—•for blintzes and challah, coleslaw and chicken matzo ball soup—•but also family lore and patrons’ memories, with photographs, menus, and memorabilia that will bring you right back to the Lincoln Del—•or make you wish you’d been around to experience its delights in person.

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Customer Reviews

“What makes this book great is that it’s more than a cookbook; it’s a time capsule of a Twin Cities Jewish community icon. —Lonny Goldsmith, editor, TC Jewfolk

“Oy, what an amazing book! Serving simultaneously as a multigenerational Minnesota family memoir, deli history, kitchen glossary, tall-tale compendium, and Jewish recipe

book, The Lincoln Del Cookbook is rich in larger-than-life characters, from bakers and bookies to rabbis and celebrities. At last, your kitchen can be filled with the tastes of the Greatest Deli in America—the High Synagogue of Bageldom, the once and forever, now eternal Lincoln Del. •Paul Maccabee, author of John Dillinger Slept Here: A Crooks’ Tour of Crime and Corruption in St. Paul “The Del sold something so much more compelling that kept its customers constantly coming back, and which is increasingly rare these days. It wasn’t knishes—it was community. . . . Nobody ever left the Del hungry. It filled body and soul.” •from the foreword by Thomas L. Friedman

Tess and Moishe Berenberg ran the St. Louis Park Lincoln Del; since the Del closed in 2000, their granddaughter, Wendi Zelkin Rosenstein, has been fielding requests for recipes from fans far and wide. Kit Naylor is a professional writer and an amateur chef. A military brat, she grew up longing for the sort of community she might have found at the Lincoln Del. Long before Thomas Friedman became an award-winning journalist, his mother was a bookkeeper at the Lincoln Del.

As a displaced Minnesotan I am thrilled to finally have this cookbook in my hands. I’ve travelled the world over and no restaurant, no deli, no bakery even comes close to the quality of the Del’s offerings. It wasn’t just the food, you must realize. It was the smell of the place, the sounds, the burgundy waitress dresses the ladies wore. The bespectacled men in the deli who handed pounds of corned beef wrapped tightly in white paper over the case to the customers. The banter, knowing everyone and their families. A great place that exists in fond memories and I feel as though now, a piece of my home has come home to me. I’ve read the cookbook cover to cover and can’t wait to get into the kitchen and make things this weekend!

Nice concept. History and accounts of customers from the years the Del was open was nice. Lots of recipes in various categories. Weak on specifics in some cases. Like what type of chocolate to use in baking recipes. Milk, semi sweet, dark?

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