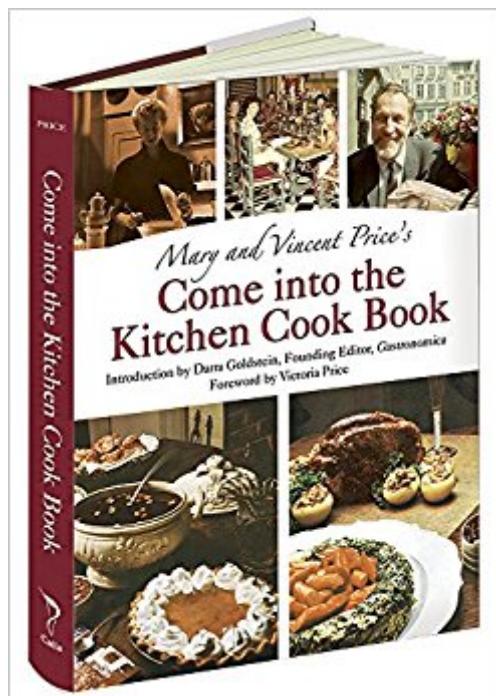


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Mary And Vincent Price's Come Into The Kitchen Cook Book



Synopsis

The well-known actor and seasoned gourmet invites families to come together in the heart of every home — the kitchen — with another fabulous guide to cooking. Vincent Price and his wife, Mary, authors of the classic *A Treasury of Great Recipes*, turn their attention to four centuries of traditional American dishes in this charming cookbook. Starting with the chowder, stewed cod, and hasty pudding of early America, the collection ranges through scrapple, apple pandowdy, and other regional favorites of the nineteenth century to the recipes of modern America, from vichyssoise to corned beef cheeseburgers to cherries jubilee. An informative and atmospheric introduction precedes each historical section, followed by the straightforward, easy-to-follow recipes. In addition, the Prices present a complete section on wines that features the story of wine making as well as helpful information on how to shop for domestic or imported vintages and which to serve with various foods, plus advice on crafting homemade wine. Richly illustrated with photos of historic American kitchens and numerous whimsical images, this edition includes a new Foreword by Victoria Price, Mary and Vincent's daughter, as well as a new Introduction by Darra Goldstein, Founding Editor of the journal *Gastronomica*.

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Customer Reviews

The distinguished American actor Vincent Price (1911–1993) was well known around the world for his distinctive voice and many prominent roles on both stage and screen. A lifelong passion for art led to a degree in art history from Yale and a highly regarded reputation as an art

collector, consultant, and lecturer. Price's extensive travels provided ample opportunities to collect interesting and unusual recipes, which he tested in his home kitchen with his wife, Mary Grant Price (1917–2002), a noted costume designer and authority on Americana.

I love cookbooks and the history they offer and that's just what this book does. I haven't tried any recipes yet as I chose to read it first for its historical information but it offers so many different recipes that I'm sure there's a recipe for everyone. The Charles Wysocki prints are an added bonus and help identify each historical time period when casually browsing through the book. It's very interesting, and how can you be wrong when authored by two such amazing people.

I got this as a Christmas gift for a friend and read it before giving it to him. Loved the additional text and vintage illustrations, most of the kitchen tools might be unrecognizable to some folks today. The classic photos of period kitchens are particularly interesting. Recipes are simple; in some cases the original is accompanied by a more "contemporary" version, contemporary in this case meaning 1960's era! It's as much a history book as a cook book and the Prices did a marvelous job. A basic guide to wine is an added feature I've not seen in any other cookbook.

Picked this up as a Christmas gift for my son. We are both in love with it. The illustrations are funky and fun. The recipes we have tried have turned out quite well. He is a chef so much of it is really too simple for him but he has had some fun trying out new ideas and playing with the recipes. I have tried a couple and they were easy to follow which is amazing because my normal idea of making dinner is to call for delivery.

Unique cookbook for any foodie. For being written by Vincent Price, it isn't creepy at all. He must have kept the spookiness out of the kitchen. We've had some great meals trying out these recipes.

My son in-law loves the book. He loves to cook and having something from Vincent Price made it special for him.

I love this cookbook, I never knew Vincent Price was such a good cook, but he was.

Gift

Almost everyone is familiar with Vincent Price as a famous actor, and some are aware that his wife was a well-known costume designer. However, Price had an art history degree from Yale, and his hobby was gourmet cooking, where he and his wife tested historical recipes. Mary and Vincent Price's *Come into the Kitchen Cook Book* is a compilation of these recipes and a historical account of food. The book is fascinating, since it isn't just a bunch of old recipes, but instead, recipes and information from Victorian America and Modern America. The book contains historical pictures of Victorian kitchens, a wine glossary, a primer covering home wine making as well as types of wine, choosing and storing wine, and wine basics. The recipes range from baking powder biscuits to French crepes and German pancakes. The Victorian recipes include Brownstone Front Chocolate Cake with Caramel Icing, Brown Betty, Vol-Au-Vent of Eggs, and classic Parker House Rolls. In the Modern America section, you will find Crab Louie and Tuna Casserole, as well as Sukiyaki, Texas Spareribs, and Corned Beef Cheeseburgers. The recipes aren't the expected ones that seem to be found in every other historical cookbook, and certainly reflect the eclectic tastes of the authors. There are plenty of recipes to choose from, and the recipes are written in a way that they are concise and easy to understand. Rather than pictures of the dishes (there are only a few of food), there are illustrations, which adds to the historical feel of the book. However, most cooks prefer to see pictures of the dishes they are going to make, and that is the one drawback to the book. It's nice to see pictures of kitchens from earlier times, but it is better to see finished dishes. Mary and Vincent Price's *Come into the Kitchen Cook Book* would make a nice addition to a cookbook library, especially for cooks who enjoy trying recipes from the past. Special thanks to NetGalley for supplying a review copy of this book.

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