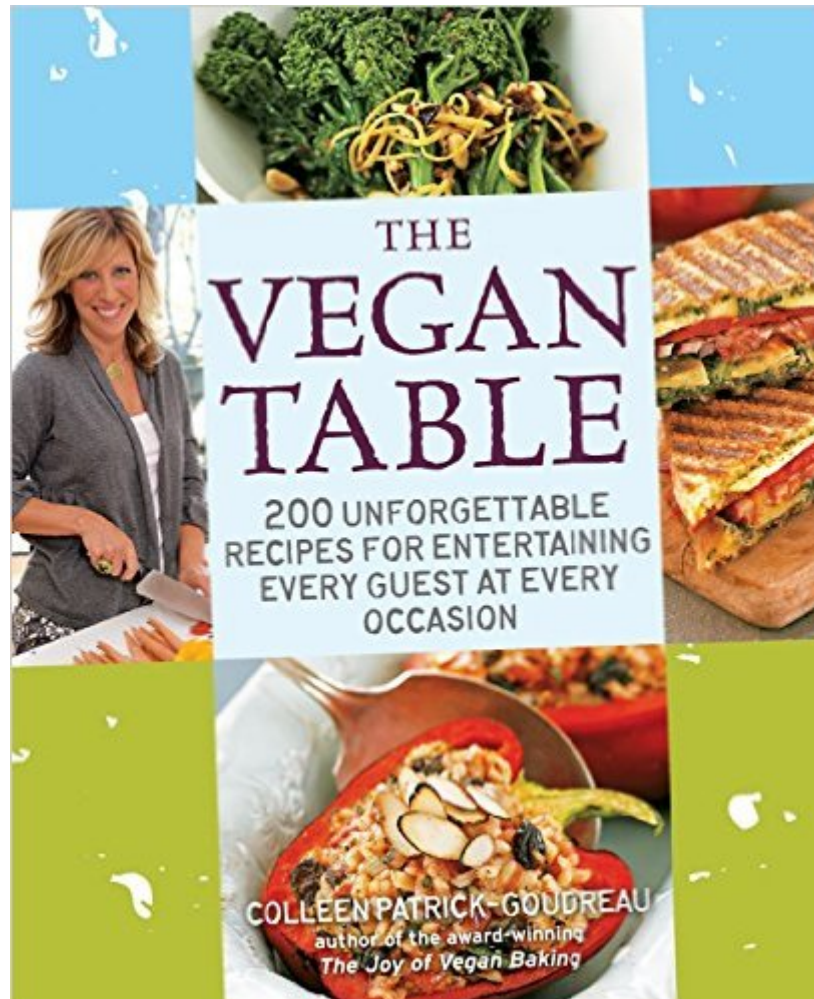


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The Vegan Table: 200 Unforgettable Recipes For Entertaining Every Guest At Every Occasion



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Customer Reviews

Like most people I was eager to get my hands on Patrick-Goudreau's second book. One cannot live on sweets alone, and her first book on baking is one of my go-to titles. The Vegan Table is a far more attractive book, full color, beautiful photography, and all the tidbits on vegan food and living we've grown to expect. The recipes I haven't tried look very good, and the ones I have tried turned out well, with the exception of the chocolate espresso ganache cake FAIL. (To be accurate, the cake was delicious, but the topping and glaze were a miserable failure.) However, I absolutely loathe the organization of this book. As cookbooks go, and I have dozens, I feel it was an experiment gone awry. The book is divided into meals for two, four to six, six to ten, and so on. If I'm interested in finding an entree, I have to flip through five chapters. The chapters are further divided by the four seasons. I appreciate eating seasonally, but this goes too far. At the very least a master list or index of apps, soups, salads, entrees, etc. would have made sense. If I want to make cornmeal-crusted tempeh for just my husband and me, I have to adjust the quantities since it's under "formal dining for six to ten." Granted, one would probably adjust for servings with any cookbook depending on your family size, but this system feels much more complex and unwieldy. I can think of several more effective ways this book could have been organized with respect to seasons and the appropriateness of each recipe for various styles of entertaining. As is is, I find it very difficult to use in the way one normally uses a cookbook. ("I need a main dish with beans," or "what can I do with all this zucchini?"

Like many other reviewers on , I am a cookbook fiend. I often wonder if I like purchasing new cookbooks more than I like actually using them because sometimes I will buy one, and after the initial look-through where I drool over the recipes, it sits on my shelf collecting dust for too long before I finally use it. This is so not the case with Colleen's first cookbook, "The Joy of Vegan Baking," or thankfully, her newest, "The Vegan Table." "The Vegan Table" is the perfect follow-up to "TJoVB," and every single recipe begs to be made. The recipes are healthy, delicious, and beautiful. Gorgeous photos of MANY of the dishes are scattered throughout the book, which I love because that inspires me that much more to get cooking! I was lucky enough to be a recipe tester for this book, so in addition to the several recipes I've made since receiving the book this week, I knew I

already had some favorites. The Matzoh Ball Soup is perfect, as is the Panini with Lemon-Basil Pesto. The Tempeh Pate melts in your mouth, and the Warm Spinach Salad is amazingly healthful & delicious. I recently impressed company with the Blackberry Pecan Crisp, which took literally less than five minutes to assemble. The Portobello Mushrooms with Herb-Infused Marinade are on the menu for tonight, and I think I'll serve them alongside the Scalloped Potatoes. Each dish is simple, yet upscale (but that does not mean expensive!). Most things could be served for a simple weeknight dinner, yet they're impressive enough to share with company. I love that Colleen split the book into chapters based not only on the group size (meals to serve from two to ten, and everywhere in-between) - but also by season. The index is also terrific, and makes everything SO easy to find.

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