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# Southern Cakes: Sweet And Irresistible Recipes For Everyday Celebrations



## Synopsis

Taste the chocolatey goodness of Mississippi Mud or marvel at the extravagant elegance of the Lady Baltimore and there will be no doubt that Southerners know how to bake a cake. Here are 65 recipes for some of the most delicious ever. Jam cakes and jelly rolls; humble pear bread and peanut cake; whole chapters on both chocolate and coconut cake each moist and delicious forkful represents the spirit of the South. A Baking 101 section offers the cake basics, some finishing touches (that means frosting and lots of it!), and the how-to's of storing each lovely concoction so that the last slice tastes as fresh and delightful as the first.

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## Customer Reviews

"Food writer Nancie McDermott has compiled 65 of the most sinfully delicious cakes south of the Mason-Dixon line, and the result could make even Scarlet O'Hara weak in the knees...The recipes all have a down-home feel, but many of the cakes also have a touch of elegance." *Chocolatier Magazine*, December 2007 "Every recipe has a charming headnote, often showing a bit of historical research, and about a third are illustrated with color photos. McDermott's handy introductory chapter on cake baking includes the very Southern advice to buy butter on sale and keep it in the freezer 'so you are baking-ready 24/7.'" *Los Angeles Times*, August 22, 2007 "For my money, the grandest-looking cakes in this book are the brown sugar pound cakes baked in a tube pan with a lush mass of caramel glaze drooling down its sides, and the classic coconut cake, with its feathery, dazzling white frosting. When I brought the coconut cake to the office, people in the street were literally lunging at it." *Los Angeles Times*, August 22, 2007 "It's little wonder that Southerners are

proud of their baking history. Southern Cakes is filled with the kinds of recipes that make you want to take time to relax and enjoy something delectable." –The Arlington Advocate, March 2008

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the "peanutty cake" recipe alone is reason enough to get it.

I am not usually someone who bakes alot but this book is excellent. I love the simple and easy recipes. I have not tried one yet that I did not like. I have received great reviews for the hummingbird cake which I have made several times for Sunday lunches. Also if you would like to add a little moisture to any of the cakes try adding a little applesauce in place of oil. Works great. Thanks for a great collection of cakes. My family thanks you as well!:)

Great recipes that a beginner can tackle. I have made a few of the cakes and they have been winners!! A great purchase Maddie

Great recipes!

I absolutely love this cookbook. It has some of the ol' time favorites such as hummingbird cake and sweet potato pound cake. I highly recommend this book for anyone who would like to master the old classic southern recipes.

I love this book as it is about the basic and much-loved cakes I have grown up with here in the South. It is great for a novice cook as there is an introduction covering all the basic steps to baking a great cake and the recipes are easy to understand and follow. Would recommend this book to anyone who is serious about baking a truly great-tasting cook.

2 CAKES IN THIS BOOK I MAKE TWICE A YEAR, CREAM CHEESE POUND CAKE AND RED VELVET CAKE. I MAKE AT LEAST 12 OF EACH EVERY YEAR.

I absolutely love this cookbook. I have made a dozen or so of the cakes and they were all simply amazing. The homemade feel to these cakes reminds me of my childhood in the South! :D Each

cake has brought back a ton of memories. If you like homemade cakes like mom or grandma used to make, then this is the cookbook for you! My favorite is the Banana Cake with Chocolate Frosting.

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