

Magpie: Sweets and Savories from Philadelphia's Favorite Pie Boutique

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Holly Ricciardi : Magpie: Sweets and Savories from Philadelphia's Favorite Pie Boutique before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Magpie: Sweets and Savories from Philadelphia's Favorite Pie Boutique:

6 of 7 people found the following review helpful. A fresh perspective on old classics By Caryn E. Shaffer This pie book is great for someone who wants to go beyond the basics. If you're an avid baker, you'll enjoy some adventurous twists on classics (cranberry meringue! blueberry rhubarb! peach raspberry orange blossom!) You'll also see how Holly Ricciardi explores her Pennsylvania German roots with savory pie recipes such as beef potpie and ham loaf pie. I can't wait to use her chicken potpie as a framework recipe to using up some of my Thanksgiving leftovers, and I'll have a great time trying some different variations on fruit pies when summer rolls around and more fruit is in season. Some of Ricciardi's herb and spice choices are just fascinating (pink pepper in apple pie, black pepper in shoo-fly pie, basil-infused whipped cream.) Some of the ingredients will appeal to foodies, but unless you live in a food desert with no access to the internet, ingredients such as lavender buds and orange flower water shouldn't be too difficult to find. I don't live in a major metropolitan area by any stretch of the imagination, but I've had decent luck with Williams Sonoma, and various brick-and-mortar food boutiques in my town as sources for hard-to-find ingredients. The book includes a comprehensive guide to creating the best pie crust possible, which will be helpful to beginners, but a bit too tedious for seasoned bakers. Still, sometimes a fresh perspective is welcome when embarking down a familiar baking

path, and Ricciardi's voice is instructive without being patronizing. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. ... well done cookbook and extremely attractive cover that looks like (isn't) punched leather By riverhome5 Really well done cookbook and extremely attractive cover that looks like (isn't) punched leather. Not the usual run of the mill pie recipes. A nice variety of recipes at a really good price. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Wonderful addition to anyone's cookbook collection especially if you love ... By QueenBee This is the third "Magpie" cookbook I've purchased... One for myself and (2) for gifts.... Wonderful addition to anyone's cookbook collection especially if you love making pies.

Magpie Artisan Pie Boutique is a jewel in Philadelphia's food-town crown. Since 2012, the pocket-size shop has been turning out flaky crusts and luscious fillings. Now this book serves up Magpie's seasonal menu for home bakers everywhere: the fruity, creamy, and nutty pies; hand pies, pot pies, and quiches; and even pie shakes and pie "fries," all fine-tuned to exacting standards and with lots of step-by-step instruction for that all-important crust. Baker-owner Holly Ricciardi's upbringing deep in the Central Pennsylvania countryside provided the basis for Magpie's perfect synthesis of classic favorites and new twists—alongside down-home favorites like Sweet Crumb Pie and Shoofly Pie you'll find Holly's bourbon-infused update of her great-grandmother's special butterscotch pie as well as the ingenious (and instant-sellout) Cookie Dough Hand Pies. Ninety-plus recipes also include sweets like Cranberry Curd Mini Meringue Pies, Blueberry Ruby Rose Pie, and Chocolate Blackout Pie, and savorys like Summer Squash Pie, Ham-Leek-Dijon Potpies, and Quiche Lorraine. From crusts to crumbles and sumptuous savorys to sweet confections, there's a Magpie pie for every occasion.

"Beautiful pies (and a lot of gorgeous atmosphere) from an iconic Philadelphia pie shop make this a book that will appeal to crust-making pros and amateurs alike." -Eater.com naming MAGPIE one of Fall 2015's Best Cookbooks: Sweet and Savory Baking "Gorgeously illustrated with full-color photographs, Magpie is as informative as it is delicious. The plethora of recipes will have readers reaching for their aprons so they can whip up a pie or two to share with those they love." --Shelf Awareness "Full-color photos, step-by-step images, and a contemporary, clean design round out this stellar title." --Publishers Weekly