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The Best 50 Salad Dressings



Synopsis

Choose from a plethora of recipes for dressings, and salads with which to toss them. Find a range of choices, from creamy and indulgent to tangy and fat-free.

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Customer Reviews

I purchased this little book five or six years ago. Just recently as I took it off the shelf once again to make a favorite (merlot vinaigrette), I noticed a dried splash of merlot on the page and realized just how often I had used this book over the years. Bristol published dozens of these small, specialized books ranging from Best 50 Martinis to Best 50 Mushroom Recipes. I own a dozen books in the series and this is one of the best. The recipes I most frequently make, besides the aforementioned merlot vinaigrette, include the Thai peanut, citrus vinaigrette, Chinese-style dressing, and dried cherry vinaigrette. The last few pages of this brief book features "fat-free" dressings at least two of which I can say are quite tasty: the balsamic-apple vinaigrette and green goddess. While this book is small at well under 100 pages, in five years I have yet to make all of the recipes. I also like the serving suggestions offered with nearly all of the recipes. With several recipes the author suggests ways to modify the dressing to use with another application, such as serving the avocado dressing as a sauce over grilled or poached fish for example. I have to agree with one reviewer about the number of creamy dressings versus vinaigrettes - vinaigrettes win out by a large margin. So that is something to keep in mind as you consider whether or not you would be interested this book. But

considering the small price tag I'd say you could hardly go wrong if you are interested in making your own salad dressings and need a place to start.

The dressings in this book might be just fine, but it's lacking in features that would make the book more easily usable. For one, it doesn't have a table of contents. The only semblance of organization is that there are three sections: creamy-style, vinaigrettes and fat-free. Within each of those sections, the dressings are in no apparent order, not even alphabetical. In the absence of a table of contents, I don't know how the reader is supposed to be able to quickly look up a dressing. For me, that was the whole point in buying a book like this -- I wanted a quick reference. The dressing recipes seem okay, although it's disappointing that a dressing called Creamy Feta Dressing doesn't list feta cheese as an ingredient. In the serving suggestions on the page for this dressing, the last few words read "additional crumbled feta cheese," to which I ask "In addition to what?" I'll keep looking for a better little salad dressing reference.

This little book is cute and easy to use. It has a few creamy recipes in the beginning, but most of the book is devoted to vinaigrettes. I was personally hoping for more creamy recipes, but this will still be a useful tool. I look forward to trying the Avocado Dressing, the Italian Buttermilk Dressing and the Creamy Curry Dressing. I would wholeheartedly recommend this for people who love vinegar-based dressings.

This is a good recipe book for people who are new to making their own salad dressings. With that said, I've been making my own salad dressings for a while. So if you're looking to just start out making your own dressings, this would be a good book to start with, but if you're looking for more advanced or more interesting recipes I would check out other sources. However, for being more experienced I did find a few interesting recipes I hadn't thought of before.

A good beginner salad dressing book with a decent variety of relatively easy and tasty recipes. Save yourself some bucks and make your own fresh salad dressing where you will know the ingredients. Most of the commercial salad dressings contain high-fructose corn syrup, which is a killer.

Using the most exotic flavors, this cookbook is a creative and delightful new way to dazzle your dinner guests. Designed by a young, busy working woman, the recipes are fast and simply written.

A necessity for any kitchen!

This was a nice little book - and it is really little. I ordered it with some other items and almost did not see it in the box (it was under the invoice). It would be nice if it were a little bigger or had a little more content - but it does what it says - it give you 50 salad dressing recipes.

really small and just like folded paper stapled together. Recipes aren't bad though. I thought i would be able to put this in my cookbook collection but it doesn't even have a spine so you can't see that anythings even there if it's placed between two books.

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