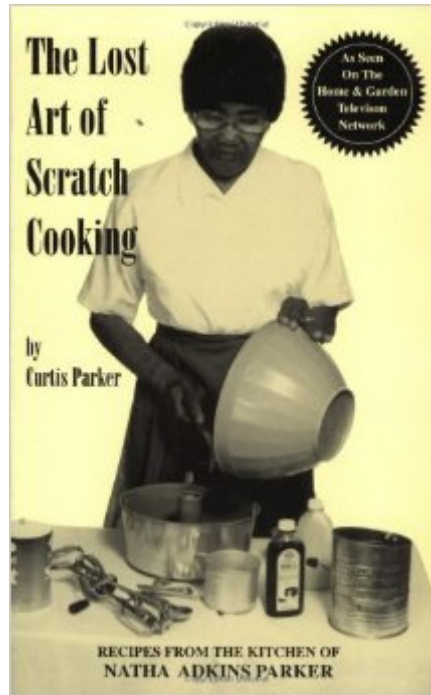


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# The Lost Art Of Scratch Cooking



## Synopsis

Scratch Cooking is the ability to take basic ingredients and make incredible meals. It is an art form that has been lost to some and in other cases is dying because people will not take the time to keep it alive. Mrs. Natha Adkins Parker is one of the world's greatest scratch cooks. Her son Curtis Parker has assembled some of her favorite recipes so that the reader can take a glimpse into her kitchen and discover The Lost Art of Scratch Cooking. Enjoy the journey.

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## Customer Reviews

For those of us who never 'really' learned to cook from watching mom or grandmom, this book is a must. The recipes are simple and easy to follow and yet, your friends will think you've missed your calling as a chef! I've tried many of the recipes and have not had a failure yet, not one. This book makes a great gift for newlyweds, for kids going off to college or to live on their own for the first time, or for those like me who just wanted to know how to make those delicious foods from times past. I've had friends who are long time, good cooks, asking me for 'my' recipes. Now that's a testimony. Buy it and Enjoy!!

This is a plain and simple little book. There are no color photos and no outlandish dishes that you will never try. This book is about good, honest and hearty food. It's an excellent first cookbook and makes a fine addition to a serious cook's collection as well.

This is not a highly polished effort, but that is its charm. This book is a lovely, loving tribute to the author's mother and to the way cooking and eating bind families together. The recipes are for simple, straightforward dishes, the kind of delicious food you are more likely to get in someone's home than in a restaurant. There isn't a great deal of instruction beyond the basics, but anyone who has done a little cooking should be able to use the recipes without any problem.

the reviews lured me into buying this book-reading it made me return it--the recipes mentioned on the book back cover are NOT in the book. It is not worth the 17\$ it cost(that includes the shipping)- I will be more careful in the future about depending on the book reviews.

This cookbook will take you back to your roots or will create new roots for you. It reminded me of the warm summer days and cool summer evenings of my youth. Too many people are rushing about and eating catch-can instead of taking the time to enjoy what we have, what God has given us, and what we, too, can create.

It was refreshing to see a book that captured the invaluable lessons that are learned from our Mothers, even in the kitchen. I have found this book to be authentic, user friendly and it makes a good cook out of a not-so-good cook.I was most please to see that the Lost Art of Scratch Cooking captures the culture of African American families for generations. This book makes an excellent gift to anyone and I highly recommend it!

I must agree with the prior reviewer. I purchased this book expecting not only many more recipes than were provided, but I also found the recipes presented were not particularly helpful.This seems almost like an unfinished project rushed to print. In its totality it is closer to those 'theme' cookbooks you can find in tourist traps. It's certainly not worth the price!

For years I have been trying to locate my grandmothers recipes. They were not passed down in written form, and my family's rendition just didn't taste the same. The Lost Art of Scratch Cooking has captured my favorite dishes that take me back to summers spent with Grandma. I have continued the tradition of Sunday suppers. My daughters joined me in preparing last Sunday's meal. All the dishes were from this cookbook. We found the meal easy to make, and most recipes included ingredients routinely kept in our kitchen. The potato salad, cole slaw, BBQ sauce for chicken, and sweet potato pie were out of this world! I highly recommend this book to beginners as

well as the most experienced cooks.

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