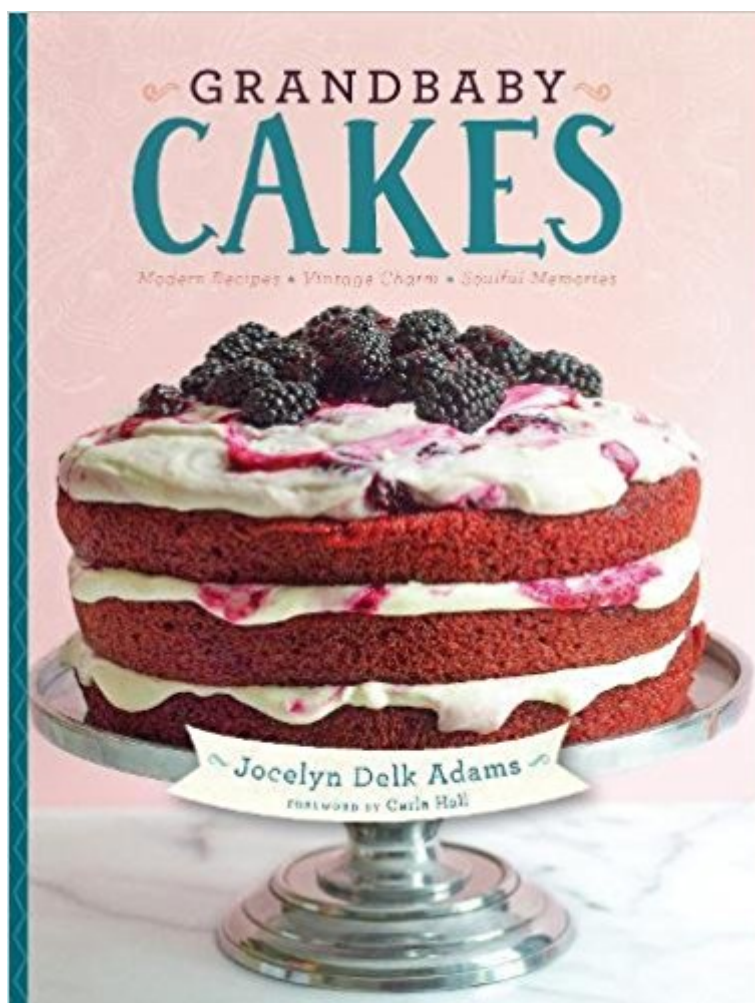


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# Grandbaby Cakes: Modern Recipes, Vintage Charm, Soulful Memories



## Synopsis

*Grandbaby Cakes: Modern Recipes, Vintage Charm, Soulful Memories* is the debut cookbook from sensational food writer, Jocelyn Delk Adams. Since founding her popular recipe blog Grandbaby Cakes in 2012, Adams has been putting fresh twists on old favorites. Adams has earned praise from critics and the adoration of bakers both young and old for her easygoing advice, rich photography, and the heartwarming memories she shares of her family's generations-old love of baking. As a child, Adams and her family would routinely embark on the ten-hour journey from their home in Chicago to Winona, Mississippi. There, she would watch her grandmother, affectionately nicknamed Big Mama, bake and develop delicious, melt-in-your-mouth desserts. From blooming tree-picked fruit to farm-raised eggs and fresh-churned butter, Big Mama used what was readily available to invent completely original treats. Adams treasured the moments when her mother, aunt, and Big Mama would bring her into the kitchen to let her dabble in the process as a rite of passage. Big Mama's recipes became the fabric of their family heritage. *Grandbaby Cakes* is Adams's love note to her family, thanking those who came before and passing on this touching tradition with 50 brilliant cakes. *Grandbaby Cakes* pairs charming stories of Big Mama's kitchen with recipes ranging from classic standbys to exciting adventures helpfully marked by degree of difficulty that will inspire your own family for years to come. Adams creates sophisticated flavor combinations based on Big Mama's gorgeous centerpiece cakes, giving each recipe something familiar mixed with something new. From pound cakes and layer cakes to sheet cakes and "baby" cakes (cupcakes and cakelettes), *Grandbaby Cakes* delivers fun, hip recipes perfect for any celebration. Readers will love this cookbook for its eclectic and bold recipes steeped in equal parts warm Southern charm and fresh Midwestern flavors. Not only will home bakers be able to make staples like yellow cake and icebox cake exactly how their grandmothers did, but they'll also be preparing impressive innovations, like the Pineapple Upside-Down Hummingbird Pound Cake and the Fig-Brown Sugar Cake. *Grandbaby Cakes* is a collection for both new-aged and traditional bakers, but mostly it's for anyone who wants a fresh, modern take on classic recipes as well as cakes full of heart and soul.

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## Customer Reviews

Praise for Jocelyn Delk Adams, her blog, and Grandbaby Cakes: "If this glorious book doesn't make you want to drop everything you're doing and go bake a cake right now, then I don't know what will. Jocelyn's spectacular cake creations are positively bursting with beauty, color, flavor, and fun. Make no mistake about it: this book will ignite the baking passion within you!"

—Ree Drummond, #1 New York Times Bestselling author of *The Pioneer Woman Cooks* "Baker extraordinaire. . . a sweet celebration of the season."

—Better Homes & Gardens "[Adams] offers up her greatest hits alongside sweet stories of her family's generations-old baking traditions."

—People.com "There is a heritage of love and tradition steeped in her recipes. . . . A trip down memory lane that ends with delicious treats on your table."

—Carla Hall, author of *Cooking with Love: Comfort Food that Hugs You* and *Carla's Comfort Foods: Favorite Dishes from Around the World* "Dessert is in Jocelyn Delk Adams's DNA. . . . [a] natural baker."

—Rachel Tepper, Yahoo! Food, Cookbook of the Week "Jocelyn's heart and soul shine bright on every page and will inspire you to gather with family and friends as much as possible."

—Cheryl and Griffith Day, authors of *Back in the Day Bakery Made with Love* "We've been patiently awaiting [Grandbaby Cakes] as we do in front of the oven door when the cake timer is about to go off. Just look at this leaning tower of Oreo-topped triple-layer mudslide cake! Mudsliding its way into our hearts, that is."

—Vanity Fair "A nifty collection of pound cakes, cupcakes, layered cakes and other sweet treats—original creations and spins on traditional family recipes."

—Chicago Tribune "Jocelyn Delk Adams takes cake recipes she learned from her grandmother and other relatives and carefully ushers them into the 21st century. . . . It's very sweet, literally and figuratively."

—Epicurious "[Grandbaby Cakes] is full of the one main ingredient that I think is crucial to any great baking: family. . . . you feel welcomed into [Adams's] home and life in a way that not all cookbooks achieve."

—Grace Bonney,

Design\*Sponge"Jocelyn brings such an amazing creativity and heart to the recipes. . . Sheâ™s the best kind of baker&#151;inventive yet careful and thorough." &#151;Kate Rogers, Senior Editor, Pillsbury"A wonderful celebration of family and tradition through cake." &#151;Angie Dudley, author of Cake Pops"Grandbaby Cakes sets a new precedent in cookbooks. Not only does Jocelyn give you stunning cake recipes with flair and creative flavor, she also feeds your soul with her unconditional love for family." &#151;Amanda Rettke, author of Surprise-Inside Cakes"Every creation has charm and decorative appeal, and Adams shows how to create decadent pound cakes, eye-catching ombre frosting and a perfectly marbled sheet cake." &#151;Milwaukee Journal Sentinel"Beautifully curated with recipes, photos and stories to really draw readers in." &#151;Cuisine Noir

Jocelyn Delk Adams is the founder of Grandbaby Cakes, a food blog inspired by her grandmother and devoted to classic desserts, modern trends, and showcasing the pastry field in an accessible way. Grandbaby Cakes has been featured by Better Homes and Gardens, Ebony, The New York Times, People, Food52, The Kitchn, the Chicago Sun-Times, and more. She is also the founder of "A Charitable Confection," an annual anti-violence dessert fundraiser featuring the top bakeries in Chicago. She hopes Grandbaby Cakes will inspire a new generation of dessert enthusiasts to learn to bake and not feel guilty about enjoying dessert.

This is a very nice cook book. I really enjoy the stories that go along with each recipe. Everyone loved the Kentucky Browned Butter Pound Cake. The Real-Deal Caramel Cake was not a hit. I am anxious to try more of the recipes in this book.

I ordered the cookbook because I wanted to make the caramel cake but when I got it I found a couple others I wanted to try. Let me say the Kentucky Brown Butter cake is the Ã Â Â'Â£

I purchased this book for my sister, she loves to bake. It is a stress reliever for her...Her family gets the benefits of her baking all these lovely recipes that taste great and look good too. Excited about her making more goodies for all of us to try. If you have an aspiring baker in your house this is a must for them. Enjoy!!!!

i baked the yellow cake, but with a buttercream icing instead of the chocolate. was BOMB. will bake more for sure.

I LOVE this book. Every recipe is so delicious and easy to follow. The stories attached to each one always make you feel connected to the finished product in a such a special way. I'm glad to have it on my bookshelf.

Wow!!! This book is amazing. The recipies are not only delicious but they make me feel at home! I love Big Mama!! The pictures are AWESOME!! They are so real! I feel like I'm in the kitchen with you! This is so amazing it really makes you want to gather the family from all generations for great memorable times. Awesome job!! Outstanding. If you don't have this book. You are missing out 100%

This is a beautiful book that has great recipes in it. It is going to take a long time to try all of these. But I also love that the book has room for you to leave notes and a heritage page! I'm looking forward to leaving this with my children in the future.

Excellent Recipes! The recipes are detailed and easy to follow. I found this book after making her Carmel cake and everyone loved it so I decided to buy the book. This book has inspired me to start baking more. I love how she incorporated stories about about her family.

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