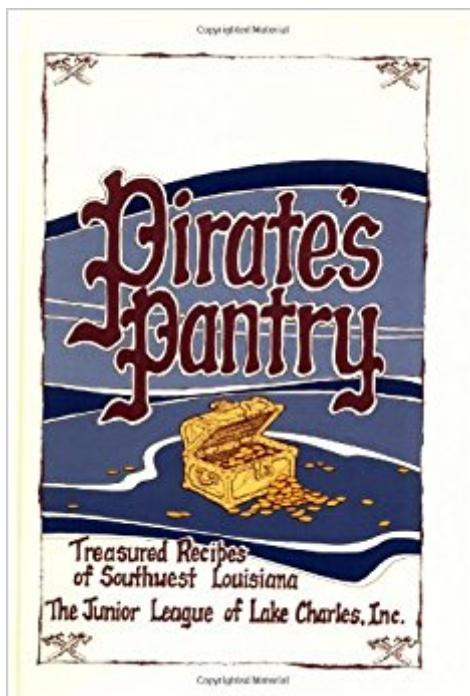


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Pirate's Pantry: Treasured Recipes Of Southwest Louisiana



Synopsis

Pirate's Pantry: Treasured Recipes of Southwest Louisiana is a bountiful collection of family and regional recipes, with a spicy lagniappe of local historical lore that reflects the Creole and Cajun flavor of this unique area, steeped in mystique and legend.

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Customer Reviews

Some say the spirit of Jean Lafitte still inhabits Southwest Louisiana near the Calcasieu River, guarding his buried pirate gold. Before Lafitte became a ghostly figure, he was a frequent dinner guest of Creole planters in Lake Charles, and it is believed that he returned to the area to share in the wealth that could only be found at their tables. Influenced by the French and Spanish, Louisiana Creole cuisine has developed a reputation for bold flavors, local ingredients, and bayou mystery. Dishes eaten by Lafitte are part of the culinary history of Southwest Louisiana, rich with culture, family, and tradition. Handed down from generation to generation from the original families who lavishly entertained this historic figure, the recipes in this book are a treasure trove unto themselves. Containing an entire section on gumbo, from roux and filÃ© to the bowl, the collection also includes French Onion Soup, Bienvenu's Court Bouillon, "Bounty" Boudin, Creole Jambalaya, mouthwatering Hog's Head Cheese, and decadent Crab Mornay. The recipes in this book range in variety and ease of preparation from the simple but delicious Lobster Rolls, succulent Venison Chateaubriand, and elegant Duck Wellington to delectable Quail in Cream Sauce, showing the versatility of wild game that captured the pirate's attention. The many recipes are enhanced by

regional asides, giving a history of the area in vignettes along with the sketches and personal comments from contributors, which all portray the distinct flavor of Southwest Louisiana.

The Junior League of Lake Charles, Inc. formed in 1933 as an educational and charitable organization founded and run by women. Through volunteer efforts and active leadership, the JLLC enriches and improves their community. From projects such as HELPing Hands and Rebuilding Together to Lego Motion and Liberty Belles, the JLLC contributes to the diverse needs of their community.

The best cookbook for learning the basics. Chock full of Louisiana family recipes. In particular, I recommend " Chicken and Noodles" ",Spaghetti and Meatballs " and " Vegetable beef Soup"..I received this book as a gift over 30 years ago. Since then I've bought several as gifts.

excellent local recipes of cajun and creole style dishes. Not a cookbook for those on low-fat diet or looking to loose weight. Recommended by a friend who lives there as best reference to local cooking in Lake Charles LA area.

I needed another copy of Pirate's Pantry for my daughter since mine was falling apart. (The original was bound with plastic spiral.) I was pleased with the sturdiness of this cook book. It is a copy of the same exact book I got many years ago...filled with excellent basic southern recipes. I highly recommend.

This is a great little cook book written by folks living in the Lake Charles area of southern Louisiana. The recipes are very easy to follow, all sorts of good cooking tips and cool stories about a very interesting part of the country. In fact I'd go so far to say there isn't another cook book out there that is quite like this one. Way to go Junior League of Lake Charles!

Have had this cookbook since the first printing! It is my favorite wedding and shower gift. It is my go to cookbook for everything good to eat from Gumbo to Spinach Supreme to Miss Annabel's Orange Pecans and Divinity! Yum, yum!

Great!

This replaces a print of this cookbook that I have had and used since the 1970's that was spiral bound and like most spiral bound books is falling apart from use. It is very good regional cookbook that is enjoyable to use.

When I lived in Lake Charles I purchased this cookbook, many years ago. After several moves it was lost, and really missed. It occurred to me just might have one. Much to my surprise, doing a search produced one. If you love Cajun cooking, you will love these recipes. The book is very detailed with just the most delicious food. The deer chili recipe is the best chili I have ever eaten, you'd never guess it has chocolate in it!

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