

The Dinner Plan: Simple Weeknight Recipes And Strategies For Every Schedule



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Synopsis

From the authors of the IACP award-winning cookbook *KEEPERS*, an entirely new and personalized approach to tackling the dinner dilemma: Between juggling work, family activities, mismatched schedules, and often bare refrigerators, there are all sorts of situations that make weeknight cooking a universally challenging and frustrating experience. *The Dinner Plan* offers five meal strategies—Make-Ahead, Staggered, One-Dish, Extra-Fast, and Pantry—that will help get dinner on the table no matter what the workweek throws at you. The 135 recipes—from main dishes to sides to salads and “lifesaver” condiments—provide lots of practical options whether time is super-tight, you haven’t had a chance to run to the store, or everyone is coming home at a different time. And most importantly, all of the recipes are “keepers”—brag-worthy, reliable, crowd-pleasing preparations that you’ll confidently turn to again and again. Shrimp Scampi, Sheet-Pan Chicken Fajitas, Foolproof Carbonara, and Mexican Skillet Lasagna are just a few examples of doable recipes that will earn their place in any busy cook’s repertoire. Rounded out with plenty of tips and a bonus section on healthful snacks called *The Forgotten Meal*, *The Dinner Plan* is every home cook’s indispensable weeknight dinner guide.

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"Every home cook should make space for *The Dinner Plan* on their bookshelf. Kathy and Caroline’s smart concept of “situational cooking” debunks the idea that

ordering take-out is the answer on a busy weeknight. Follow their lead to rediscover the deliciousness of cooking at home for every occasion." (Mario Batali chef, author, philanthropist)"Brilliantly organized, super-smart, and everyday useful." (Dorie Greenspan James Beard award-winning author of Dorie's Cookies)"Kathy and Caroline understand that people crave wholesome, home-cooked food that fits into their busy lives—and they've mastered the no-fuss ways to make it happen." (Kristen Miglore creative director, Food52)"As a mother of two young children, I want to give The Dinner Plan a great big hug. The guide offers fast, crowd-pleasing recipes that work with your schedule and shares real-life advice. It feels like you're chatting with your two best friends—and makes dinner feel fun again." (Joanna Goddard creator of A Cup of Jo)"Caroline and Kathy have done it again. The Dinner Plan shares practical insight, spreads encouragement for using everyday ingredients in new ways, and inspires contemporary home cooks to prepare quick, tasty meals that work for their schedule. This is the clear and useful dinner guide you need by your side." (Michael Anthony executive chef of Gramercy Tavern)"The Dinner Plan should be required reading for all parents who want to venture beyond just feeding the family and seek to bring joy to weeknight meals. This beautifully designed and photographed book contains solid basics as well as recipes that will interest young children and their parents, too. The wide, exotic range of flavors, bright ideas and colors, updated classics, this is all part of the mesmerizing plan that Kathy and Caroline have perfected and now share with us." (Anne Byrn New York Times bestselling author of American Cake and The Cake Mix Doctor)"There's lots of discussion nowadays about the importance of the family dinner but not enough practical advice about how to make it happen. Along come Kathy and Caroline with this generous book filled with versatile recipes, smart tips, and empowering strategies for efficiently feeding yourself and those you love. You'll be using this cookbook for years to come!" (Andrea Nguyen author of Into the Vietnamese Kitchen and The Pho Cookbook)

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Happiness in the Kitchen, won the International Association of Culinary Professionals Cookbook Award for General Excellence in 2014 and was chosen by NPR as one of its Good Reads of 2013. The Boston Globe also called it possibly "the best-value weeknight cookbook around".

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