

Context Note: This is a satirical article; all quotes are fake, but I did use real sources for research. The article is meant to lampoon Elon Musk and SpaceX's plan to launch thousands of starlink satellites. Although SpaceX is supposedly pretty good about mitigating space debris, the current infrastructure is not prepared for the addition of thousands more objects. The article will be posted on ClickHole, an Onion-like website with generally a news-aware audience who expect satire.

Elon Musk Releases Cookbook In Desperate Attempt To Regain Loveability

If you're not living under a weird triangular rock, you've likely heard of the [Cybertruck](#), Musk's attempt to appeal to rich nerds who hate good graphics and getting laid. During the reveal, he touted the truck's strength by throwing a metal ball at the windows. They promptly shattered, at which point Musk began to convulse and scream, "the universe is a simulation! Nothing is real! You can't see me if I can't see you! Ahhhhhhhh!"

Yikes. Not a good look, dude.

After the highly controversial event Thursday night, Elon Musk scrambled to find something that would make the public love him again. He reportedly consulted with his top love scientist, who told Musk, "How many times do I have to say this? I'm a propulsion engineer, not a love scientist. Besides, I don't think anyone could ever love you".

Not one to be deterred by reality, Musk plowed ahead, brainstorming fun and relatable ways to save his career. Epic twitter memes, cool new flamethrowers, and devices to rescue children who don't need saving all made it onto the whiteboard. Musk finally settled on the one thing that couldn't possibly be controversial. "I'll make a cookbook!".

Reports show that Musk spent the next 24 hours in a crazed frenzy, working almost as hard as his employees. He compiled a book of recipes that he says is "the most wholesome crap I could throw together." Just in time for Thanksgiving!

The recipes were generally innocuous, with names like "Milkshakes But with Rocket Fuel", "Poached meteorite", and one just called "heheh 420 heheh". But just like he does with his [Twitter interactions](#), Elon managed to f*** it up somehow. He included a recipe called "How To Get Rich And Hurt People". Shocking, right?

There's no way to sugarcoat this: It definitely sounds like Musk might not be the lovable teddy bear we all want our children to cuddle with.

Take a look:

We at SpaceX love satellites. What's better than looking up at the night sky and seeing nothing but satellites? No stars, no planets, no annoying sun in your face. Just thousands and thousands of whizzing robots. Imagine it. Beautiful.

That's why I'm bringing you my home-baked vegan Starlink recipe, just in time for the holidays!

This has been a closely guarded family secret for over 2 days now, and I think it's time to share with the world.

So you've probably heard of my plan to launch thousands of starlink satellites into orbit. I've been telling everyone that its for "third-world internet" purposes, y'know, some feel-good humanitarian crap like that. Nope. I just think it's fun to screw with people. Also, I'm *terrified* of stars. They make me feel small and insignificant and sad and weird. I'm not some hippie philosopher who thinks about his feelings.

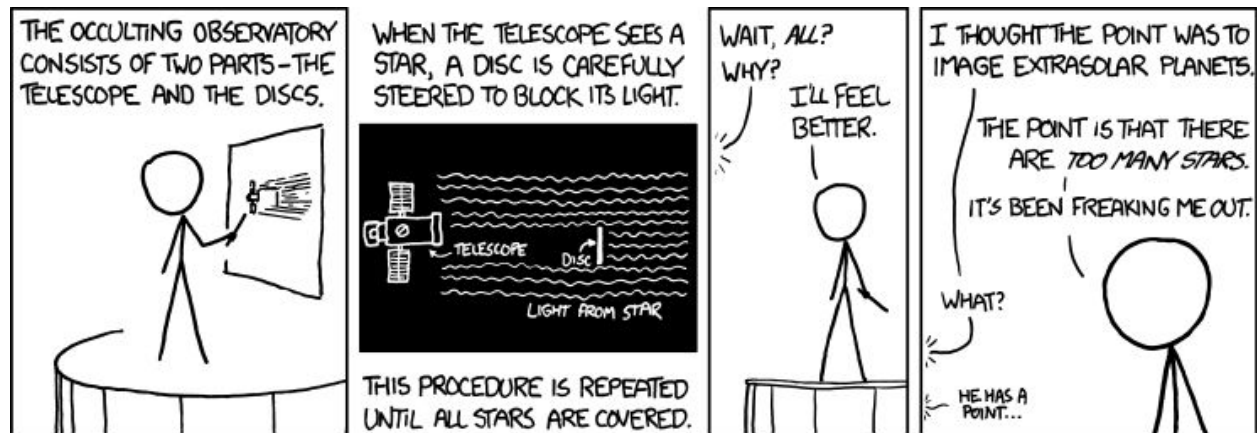


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One group I really want to screw with is astronomers. I hate them. Their infectious enthusiasm for space, their pleasant demeanor, their long telescopes. It all makes me feel very insecure. The best way to mess up a pleasant night at the observatory, short of blowing up the sun, is to put a bunch of shiny objects in the sky. I talked to the FCC about it and they said "yes sir Mr. Musk thank you for the money".

Eventually, I want to create a situation where the *entire* sky is blocked off. This would hurt astronomers, space agencies, and anyone else who cares about space. No one would be able to launch satellites, see the sun, or even leave Earth.

I was inspired by Dr. Kessler, a NASA scientist who first warned us about "Kessler Syndrome", a situation where satellites collide, making MORE debris and MORE collisions until there is a totally impassable cloud surrounding Earth. Cute!

In order to maximize damage, starlink satellites will include dangerous chemicals and reading materials.

For a quick and easy meal that is sure to delight, follow along with the recipe below!

Ingredients:

1 firework
1 copy of *The Art of The Deal*
3 cups of CFCs (for ozone depletion)
2oz of uranium
1 Samsung Galaxy 9
1 lighter

Directions:

Preheat to 400
Launch as many satellites as you can as fast as possible
Tell NASA that everything is fine
Laugh maniacally

Wow. Just wow. No self-respecting, possibly sociopathic billionaire should release a recipe book without consulting a few PR experts first. Let this be a lesson to you, Jeff Bezos. We know you have some evil s*** going on.

Critics have pointed out that the image on the cover is not especially comforting. It features Musk torching a group of stuffed bunnies (at least we really hope they're stuffed) with a flamethrower.

"This is not a good move," said business analyst Ethan Spaceman. "We're not sure if he meant to include the satellite recipe or if there was a mix up with his manifesto, but either way, his lovability factor has decreased by at least 5 points in our books".

Cookbook fan Matt Cookie had a different take. "I thought it was a genius move on Musk's part," he lauded. "I mean, a cookbook?? Who could have predicted that? He really keeps everyone on their toes." Asked about the satellite recipe, Matt added that he would definitely try it, but wasn't sure he could acquire the uranium in time for Thanksgiving.

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