



American Cookery (Hardback)

By Amelia Simmons

Andrews McMeel Publishing, United States, 2012. Hardback. Book Condition: New. Reissue. 218 x 142 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book. Published in Hartford in 1796, this volume in the American Antiquarian Cookbook Collection is a facsimile edition of one of the most important documents in American culinary history. This is the first cookbook written by an American author specifically published for American kitchens. Named by the Library of Congress as one of the 88 Books That Shaped America, American Cookery was the first cookbook by an American author published in the United States. Until its publication, cookbooks printed and used by American colonists were British. As indicated in Amelia Simmons's subtitle, the recipes in her book were adapted to this country, reflecting the fact that American cooks had learned to make do with what was available in North America. This cookbook reveals the rich variety of food colonial Americans used, their tastes, cooking and eating habits, and even their rich, down-to-earth language. Bringing together English cooking methods with truly American products, American Cookery contains the first known printed recipes substituting American maize for English oats; and the recipe for Johnny Cake is apparently the first printed version using cornmeal. The...



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