Fiction Good Enough to Eat

Two of our favorite things: reading and eating! Most of the books in this list are fun quick reads, mostly mysteries and stories with great descriptions of food. Some even have the recipes included!

Check for these titles on our Overdrive / Libby and Hoopla apps for an ebook or eaudiobook.

Sawyer, Corinne
*Murder Has No Calories*

Stradal, J. Ryan
*Kitchens of the Great Midwest*

Wiggs, Susan
*The Winter Lodge*

Crace Jim
*The Devil's Larder*

Crawford, Isis
*A Catered Murder*

Jacobs, Kate
*Comfort Food*

James, Kay-Marie
*Cooking for Harry*

Kline, Christina Baker
*The Way Life Should Be*

Mah, Ann
*Kitchen Chinese*

Mehran, Marsha
*Pomegranate Soup*

Mones, Nicole
*The Last Chinese Chef*

Prunty, Morag
*Recipes for a Perfect Marriage*

Ray, Jeanne
*Eat Cake*

Lynch, Sarah-Kate
*Blessed are the Cheesemakers*

Abby has been estranged from the family farm since her rebellious mother ran off with her when she was a small child. Kit is a burned out New York stockbroker who’s down on his luck. But that’s all about to change now that he and Abby have converged on the farm just in time to help two old cheesemakers in a time of need. From dairy cows who only give their best product to pregnant, vegetarian teens to an collection of whiskey-soaked men and broken-hearted women who find refuge under Corrie and Fee’s roof—this novel is a tale about taking life’s spilled milk and turning it into the best cheese in the world.

Myers, Tamar
*Gruel and Unusual Punishment*

An imprisoned con man gives up the ghost after sampling one of Magdalena Yoder’s most famous dish and lands her in the middle of a grueling mystery.

Pickard, Nancy
*The Secret Ingredient Murders*

While visiting the Rhode Island coast, returning cook/sleuth Eugenia Potter cohosts a tasting party with an old acquaintance—but he’s late. Unfortunately, someone has murdered the would-be cookbook writer. Inspired by the popular character created by Virginia Rich.

Reichl, Ruth
*Delicious*

This debut novel brilliantly illuminates how food defines us. The story of sisters, family ties, and a young woman who must find the courage to let go of the past in order to embrace her own true gifts

FURTHER READING....

Rich, Virginia
*The Baked Bean Supper Murders*

Richman, Phyllis
*The Butter Did It*

Ross, Jennifer
*Icing on the Cupcake*
Albert, Susan Wittig
Loves Lies Bleeding
China Bayles is a charming heroine and the books have a snappy plot and a batch of appealingly folksy characters. Even without most of that, though, it would still be worth reading for the herb-based recipes and remedies inserted throughout the text.

Beaton, M.C.
The Quiche of Death (Agatha Raisin #1)
Putting all her eggs in one basket, Agatha Raisin gives up her successful PR firm, sells her London flat, and samples a taste of early retirement in the quiet village of Carsely. Bored, lonely and used to getting her way, she enters a local baking contest: Surely a blue ribbon for the best quiche will make her the toast of the town. But her recipe for social advancement sours when Judge Cummings-Browne not only snubs her entry—but falls over dead! After her quiche’s secret ingredient turns out to be poison, she must reveal the unsavory truth...