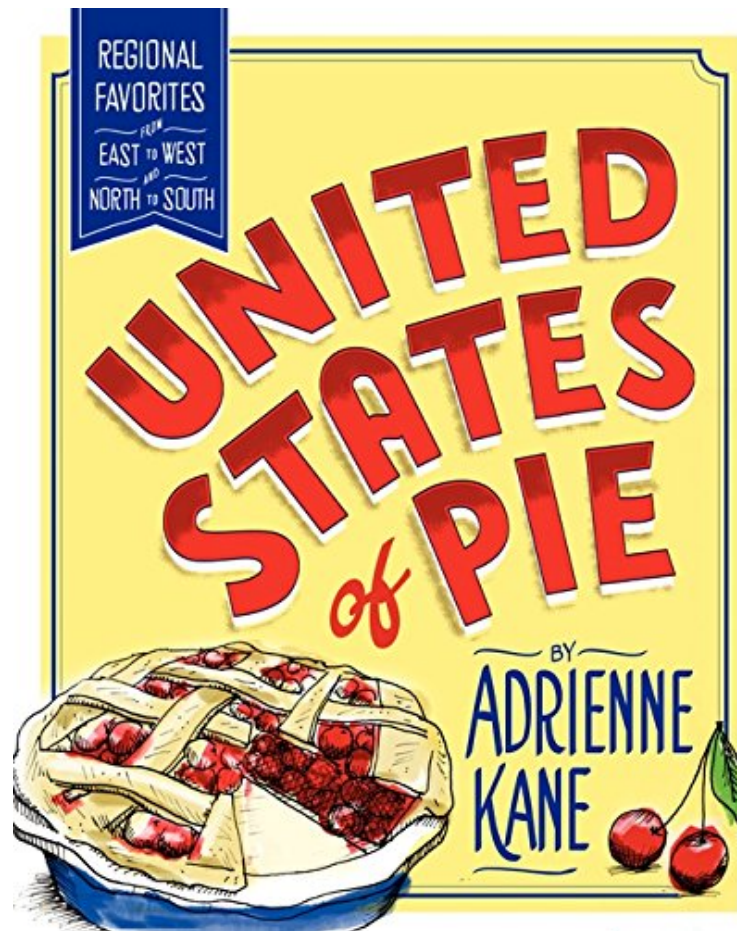


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(especially pies!) to add to his library of baking books. Well, now I have to buy another one for him, as I'm keeping this one for myself! The stories introducing each pie, the regional information, the clearly-written directions and the practical tips are terrific! It's a wonderful read and makes you want to bake a pie, which in my case is really saying something! Given the great price on , I'm also buying a few as hostess gifts! 4 of 4 people found the following review helpful. Cooks and American Studies majors will love this book. By Peter Grant Kane places regional pies in a cultural setting and gives some background and history to sharpen your appetite. If you could care less about where a particular pie came from, just read the recipes, which are terrific. She updates tradition by, say, adding a bit more lemon and a bit less sugar, which shows her creative side. It's like having a best friend in the kitchen who is a better cook and shows you just how to do it. As a coworker of mine said when she was drooling over the recipes, "With this book, making a pie is a piece of cake!"

A baker's delight, *United States of Pie* is an utterly charming and mouthwatering compendium of heirloom American pies—regional favorites from East to West and North to South—gathered lovingly together by Adrienne Kane, author of *Cooking and Screaming* and creator of the popular food blog [www.nosheteria.com](http://www.nosheteria.com). From long lost recipes to classic favorites, the irresistible desserts featured in this wonderful cookbook will be pastry nirvana for Mollie Katzen and Moosewood fans—hot and tasty treats sweetly illustrated, combined with time-tested baking tips and secrets for preparing the perfect pie.

"A charming recipe collection...Kane's book includes the most thorough instructions we've seen yet on mastering pie dough; so whether you're new to the form, or a been-there, done-that pie aficionado, you'll find so much to love in these pages!" -Matt Lee and Ted Lee, authors of *The Lee Bros. Simple Fresh Southern*"This colorful, varied collection by a blogger, recipe developer, and food writer may well be the definitive resource on the all-American pie." - Publishers Weekly  
Selected by National Public Radio (NPR) as one of the Top 10 Summer Cookbooks for 2012."The charming book offers pies that reflect the country's varying palates and personalities, from Concord Grape pie in New England to Hoosier Pie in the Midwest to Olallieberry in the Pacific Northwest...Pies like this make me proud to be American." - Marissa Rothkopf Bates  
"Kane's recipes, and the sweet stories that surround them, make another good case for knocking the cupcake craze to the curb. Their simple goodness makes this book deserving of a place on a baker's shelves..." -New York Journal of Books  
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An utterly charming collection of regional heirloom American pies, from long-lost recipes to classic favorites, sweetly illustrated and chock-full of time-tested baking tips and secrets for perfect pies  
Before cooking shows and celebrity chefs there were church dinners, community bake sales, and county fairs—events for which regular women made and served their prized family recipes, especially for that homiest and most American of desserts, pie. In *United States of Pie*, Adrienne Kane invites readers on a journey back in time as she scours the country—and shares—those recipes: the pies that have come to define culinary traditions from the West Coast to the East Coast, from the Midwest to the South. Sourced from old newspaper clippings, out-of-print cookbooks, housekeeping guides, and the spiral-bound, mimeographed booklets of church groups and community associations, the recipes in *United States of Pie* showcase the innovative spirit of American home cooks in the era before processed foods and flavorless, imported produce took over grocery shelves. Here, tested and updated for contemporary palates and with an emphasis on local, seasonal fruit and dairy products, are both re-imagined classics and newly invented creations that celebrate sharing lovingly homemade desserts with friends and family. And whether you're serving up slices of Meyer Lemon Cream Pie, Concord Grape Pie, or Burnt Sugar Meringue Pie, your lucky guests will definitely ask for seconds. With helpful sidebars on baking tips and techniques ranging from the best thickeners for fruit pies to why home bakers should embrace corn syrup, a chapter dedicated to how to make the perfect pie crust, and charming, insightful essays on pie-making traditions around the country, *United States of Pie* is more than just a cookbook; it's a must-have baking resource for novice and expert pie makers alike.  
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Adrienne Kane is the author of the memoir *Cooking and Screaming* and of the popular food blog [www.nosheteria.com](http://www.nosheteria.com). She is a food writer, recipe developer, and food photographer whose work has appeared in *Natural Health and Prevention* and on *Chow* and [foodandwine.com](http://foodandwine.com). She lives and cooks in New Haven, Connecticut.