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About the Author Yan-Kit So informed and inspired generations of people who love Chinese food. A cookery expert at Leith's School of Food and Wine, she was born in Chungshan, China and raised and educated in Hong Kong and London. She later lived and worked in India and the USA. Yan-Kit So died in 2001.