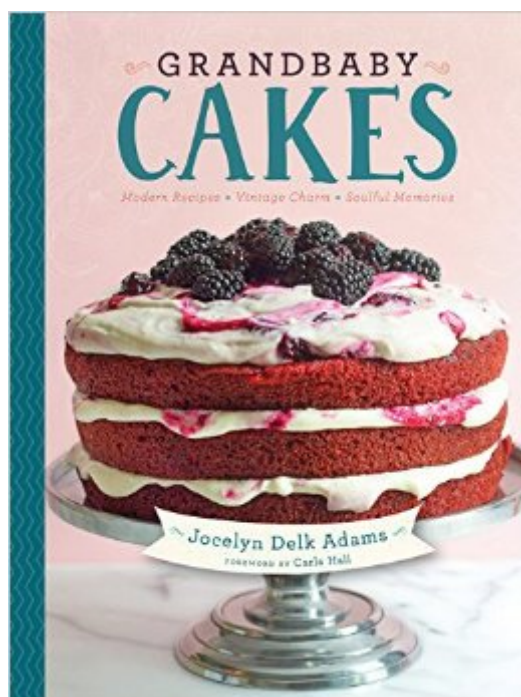


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# Grandbaby Cakes: Modern Recipes, Vintage Charm, Soulful Memories



## Synopsis

*Grandbaby Cakes: Modern Recipes, Vintage Charm, Soulful Memories* is the debut cookbook from sensational food writer, Jocelyn Delk Adams. Since founding her popular recipe blog Grandbaby Cakes in 2012, Adams has been putting fresh twists on old favorites. Adams has earned praise from critics and the adoration of bakers both young and old for her easygoing advice, rich photography, and the heartwarming memories she shares of her family's generations-old love of baking. As a child, Adams and her family would routinely embark on the ten-hour journey from their home in Chicago to Winona, Mississippi. There, she would watch her grandmother, affectionately nicknamed Big Mama, bake and develop delicious, melt-in-your-mouth desserts. From blooming tree-picked fruit to farm-raised eggs and fresh-churned butter, Big Mama used what was readily available to invent completely original treats. Adams treasured the moments when her mother, aunt, and Big Mama would bring her into the kitchen to let her dabble in the process as a rite of passage. Big Mama's recipes became the fabric of their family heritage. *Grandbaby Cakes* is Adams's love note to her family, thanking those who came before and passing on this touching tradition with 50 brilliant cakes. *Grandbaby Cakes* pairs charming stories of Big Mama's kitchen with recipes ranging from classic standbys to exciting adventures helpfully marked by degree of difficulty that will inspire your own family for years to come. Adams creates sophisticated flavor combinations based on Big Mama's gorgeous centerpiece cakes, giving each recipe something familiar mixed with something new. From pound cakes and layer cakes to sheet cakes and "baby" cakes (cupcakes and cakelettes), *Grandbaby Cakes* delivers fun, hip recipes perfect for any celebration. Readers will love this cookbook for its eclectic and bold recipes steeped in equal parts warm Southern charm and fresh Midwestern flavors. Not only will home bakers be able to make staples like yellow cake and icebox cake exactly how their grandmothers did, but they'll also be preparing impressive innovations, like the Pineapple Upside-Down Hummingbird Pound Cake and the Fig-Brown Sugar Cake. *Grandbaby Cakes* is a collection for both new-aged and traditional bakers, but mostly it's for anyone who wants a fresh, modern take on classic recipes as well as cakes full of heart and soul.

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## Customer Reviews

Go ahead and judge this book by its cover. The cake pictured on the front is a good representation of what you will find inside - sensation. And inside the front cover is just as telling. There is a special place provided to personalize the book with the name of the ["FIRST GENERATION"](#) to own this book followed by lines for future generations to claim ownership! The book is all about celebrating proud family traditions passed through the generations. Jocelyn describes her recipes as humble yet sophisticated in flavor and influence. Her writing is warm and playful with recipes featuring charming family anecdotes and ["Grandbaby Notes"](#) which are Jocelyn's personal tips and advice. The first recipe that I tried (excitedly within hours of receiving the book!) was her ["German Chocolate Pound Cake"](#) created in a Bundt pan. She says it's a ["dressed up version"](#) of her father's favorite cake made by her mother. It had the elements of a traditional pound cake with modern, easy twists in ingredients, flavor and method. My family loved it. There isn't a cake in the book of 50 that I won't want to try. To name a few others that especially caught my eye are a light and luscious-looking peach-raspberry layer cake, the ["Nana Pudding Tiramisu"](#) sheet cake, ["crème brûlée"](#) cupcakes; a sea salt caramel layer cake and some gems that look perfect for the holidays such as the ["merry berry Christmas cake"](#). Thanks, Jocelyn. I look forward to baking and enjoying more of your cakes and expect some of them will become traditions in my own family.

I am a seasoned cake baker and I learned a lot from this book and it started with the attachment (beater) she used to beat the butter as well as the type of butter used. The author is a lot younger than me and yet I could totally relate to the pictures and comments she made about her family and their recipes. You can't go wrong with this book even if you are not a "seasoned baker" just follow

her directions. The 7 Up cake was the best I've ever made.

Bought this cookbook solely for one recipe - southern caramel cake. I made the cake from a recipe on the internet and was so happy with it that I decided to check out the originator of the recipe - Grandbaby cakes. I was very happy when I received this cookbook to see the different kinds of cakes and I especially enjoyed the personal stories.

this book is full of love, family traditions and patience. Every recipe is beautifully crafted and the level of ease varies. There's a recipe for the amateur and experienced baker. After making two recipes from the book, I can't get enough of it. The 7UP pound cake is the best pound cake I've had and the red velvet s'mores cake is just wonderful. Everyone needs this book in their kitchen!

I just took this book out of the mailbox a few minutes ago. I'd seen the author and her book mentioned on someone's Instagram pages a few days ago, and after her appearance on Rachel Ray a couple of days ago, I decided I had to have the book. The photos are gorgeous and induce mouth-watering. I've recently improved my cake baking and decorating by taking several classes and my family is very pleased with the results. I'm about to make them happier as I will be making the Blood Orange Mimosa Cake from this book. I also love the scrapbook feel of "Grandbaby Cakes" which offers so many family photos and stories that highlight the author's love affair with baking. Job well done, Jocelyn Delk Adams. 12/14/15 Made the Classic Yellow Cake with the delicious Whipped Chocolate Frosting today for my brother-in-law's birthday. It was a big hit with quick seconds. It's one of the lightest and moist cakes I've ever made. I can't wait to bake more of these appealing cakes. In just a few days this has become my favorite cookbook...and I have many.

This book is what I would consider the "perfect" cookbook! It contains mouthwatering recipes, beautiful photographs, delightful family memories and just the right amount of loving and warmth that you will want to read again and again. And then go out and buy a copy for everyone you know! ;) This beautiful book is divided up into six main sections. Pound cakes, layer cakes, sheet cakes, baby cakes, celebration cakes and seasons and holidays. Each section is filled with recipes that are simply amazing! Such as "Cinnamon Roll Pound Cake" (page 33), "Kentucky Brown-Butter Cake" (page 46), "Real-Deal Caramel Cake" (page 65), "Red Velvet Cake with Blackberry-Cream Cheese Whipped Frosting" (as seen on the cover and on page 73), "Snickerdoodle Goopy Cake"

(page 107), Peach Cobbler Shortcake (page 153) and Snickers Cake (page 173). Jocelyn does a great job of combining family recipes and memories in this delightful cookbook. I can't wait to see what's next! Grandbaby Cookies? I can only hope! She's a genius! Stay tuned!

I purchased this book because I was able to try out a recipe beforehand from a magazine. It was the yellow cake with chocolate icing. It was so fabulous that I NEEDED to buy the book. It's a very charming cookbook. The stories included with the recipes are a plus! So while you are waiting for your dessert to bake you can read a story. I have tried a few other recipes from the book, and have yet to be disappointed...

I have been looking for a good cake book for a very long time and finally found just what I was looking for. I came across this book in my local library and the moment I opened the book I knew I would love it.. Beautifully presented, exciting recipes and lovely pictures! This is a book I would want to own.. Well sometime soon hopefully. I tried the Neapolitan cake and it turned out perfect.. The cake looked and tasted delicious .. soo soft and yummy! Would love to gift this to friends who love baking!

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