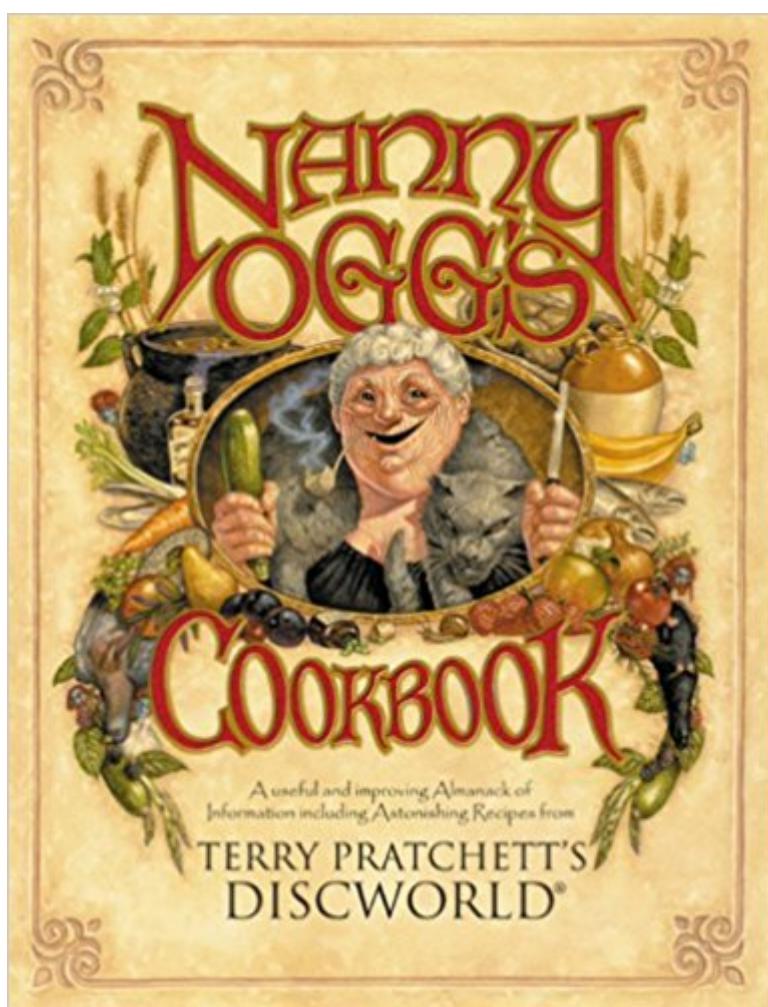


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Nanny Ogg's Cookbook: A Useful And Improving Almanack Of Information Including Astonishing Recipes From Terry Pratchett's Discworld (Discworld Series)





Synopsis

They say that the way to a man's heart is through his stomach which just goes to show they're as confused about anatomy as they gen'rally are about everything else, unless they're talking about instructions on how to stab him, in which case a better way is up and under the ribcage. Anyway, we do not live in a perfect world and it is foresighted and useful for a young woman to become proficient in those arts which will keep a weak-willed man from straying. Learning to cook is also useful. *Now Nanny Ogg*, one of Discworld's most famous witches, here passes on some of her huge collection of tasty and interesting recipes. In addition to such dishes as Nobby's Mum's Distressed Pudding, Mrs. Ogg imparts her thoughts on such matters as life, death, and courtship, all in a refined style that should not offend the most delicate of sensibilities. Well, not much. Most of the recipes have been tried out on people who are still alive.

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the delights of Lord Downey's Mint Humbugs and Spicy Spotted Dick, Mrs. Ogg imparts her thoughts on life, death, and etiquette ("If you go to other people's funerals, they'll be sure to come to yours"), all in a refined style that should not offend anyone. Well, not much.

Nanny Ogg, one of Discworld's most famous witches, has decided to pass on some of her huge collection of tasty and exceedingly interesting recipes. In addition to the delights of the Strawberry Wobbler and Nobby's Mum's Distressed Pudding, Mrs Ogg imparts her thoughts on life, death, etiquette, courtship, children and weddings, all in a refined style that should not offend the most delicate of sensibilities. Well, not much... Most of the recipes have been tried out on people who are still alive. Mrs Ogg gratefully acknowledges the assistance of Mr. Terry Pratchett, Mr. Stephen Briggs, Mlle Tina Hannan and Master Paul Kidby.

I love Terry Pratchett's writing and finding odd cook books so this book was a must have. It has the wonderfully strange and twisted humor you would expect from a DiscWorld novel with great recipes directly connected to or named after different characters from the DiscWorld series. The illustrations from Paul Kidbly add a wonderful element and the chapter on food etiquette with the many creatures and characters of Disc World is hilarious. Sprinkled throughout is Nanny Ogg's humor and off color jokes, oh so befitting of one of Discworld's most famous witches. I have tried making several of the recipes and not only did no one die after eating, many asked for seconds! Two fan favs from my household is Sergeant Angua's Vegetable Stew and Wow-wow sauce.

I should've gotten the hardcover, because the cover art would've looked incredible with the hard binding. If you want a glimpse of what some of your favorite (and not-so-favorite) Discworld characters love to eat most, this is the book for you. The recipes are accompanied by gorgeous illustrations, another reason I should've splurged on the hardcover. The soft-cover's pages don't have the pretty, pale ivory color of the hardcover's pages; it looks rather yellowy gray.

I found Disc World some 5 or 6 yrs previously and have read everything I can find. Some of the earlier books were a bit uneven until Sir Terry hit his stride, then each new one was eagerly anticipated, and now the tragic dx of early onset Alzheimer's will end his life and with it, the Disc-verse. This book is ten yrs or more old but just recently discovered by me. I ordered 2 copies for gifts fr but was sent notice they were unavailable so I ordered one from UK and the 2nd one

after the holidays for my son/myself when US had stock again. My son & my nephew enjoyed Nanny Ogg very much. I started reading it myself and giggled so hard I pestered the cat to the point he had to leave my lap in a huff. Bad news is I accidentally left it at my daughter's hair salon and have to wait until she comes home for me to finish it. In the meanwhile I have The Compleat Ankh-Morpork at hand and can order Turtle Recall if I need a fix. Disc World fans will love this - if you are not yet but are a Brit humor lover, become a Pratchett-ite. No regrets, I promise.

This wonderful cookbook not only has some great recipes but is also a delightful read. I read quite a few of the recipe descriptions out loud to my husband just to hear him laugh. I have tried five of the recipes so far and they have all turned out well. I highly recommend this book for any adventurous cooks out there and, of course, for all of Mr. Pratchett's fans who love to laugh with him.

The only thing that had me disappointed was that her recipes weren't accurate to what they would have been in 'The Joye of Snacks'. I've got a bit of revenge to get and was hoping to get some inspiration. But though there are fewer recipes than I would have liked, the ones in there have taught me quite a lot. Like a few different names for a few different spices and such. I'll let you be just as surprised as I was.

This is an enjoyable tongue-in-cheek "serious" cookbook written by Nanny Ogg who is one of Terry Pratchett's more notorious witches. She also gives valuable life wisdom for all you budding witches out there. For example; she addresses the etiquette when giving a dinner party of where to seat the man who makes a living putting weasels down his trousers at fairs (Give him a really soft cushion since he suffers for his Art.) as well as other must have advice for the happy homemaker. Some of the recipes are actually appealing and I will most definitely be trying them. I particularly like the looks of the recipe for Deep-Sea Blowfish. This cookbook is a nice little insert to the whole Disc World series.

Wonderful!

Pros:- Spotted Dick. Cons:- Recipe for dwarf bread doesn't follow discworld canon, and was disappointed.- Many of the recipes are more discworld inspired than actual discworld recipes.

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