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# Things Mother Used To Make (188 Quick And Easy Recipes Of Vintage Collection) - A Collection Of Old Time Recipes (Illustrated Pictures And Annotated Tips For Household Hints)





## **Synopsis**

Things Mother Used to Make (188 Quick and Easy Recipes of Vintage Collection) - A Collection of Old Time Recipes by Lydia Maria Gurney The Things Mother Used to Make consist of old fashioned recipes, which have been for the most part handed down by word of mouth from one generation to another, extending over a period of nearly one hundred years. The author, a New England woman, has during her life tested out in her own kitchen the greater part of these recipes, which represent the best cookery of those times. \*\*This eBook is special to included new illustrated pictures and Annotated the Tips of Household Hints for every Housewives. Recipes inside are composed of: BREADS (30) CAKES (18) DESSERTS (14) EGGS (5) FISH (7) MEAT DISHES (12) MISCELLANEOUS (7) PICKLES (19) PIES (16) PRESERVES (39) SAUCES (8) SOUPS (7) VEGETABLES (6) AND HOUSEHOLD HINTS OLD AND NEW FOR HOUSEKEEPERS YOUNG AND OLD

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## **Customer Reviews**

For those of us interested in history, or perhaps simpler more organic ways of doing things, this will prove a interesting and entertaining read. This book really is about the way our mothers used to do

things. It's full of recipes, heavy on sweets, rolls and cakes. ( There is a Jelly Roll recipe in the book I am destined to try.) The book is also chalked full of tips on preserving meats and veggies. Needless to say some of the recipes use some old terminology, like soured milk, but if you have any questions about that a simple google search will produce the desired results with instructions as to soured milks. The real joy for a history lover comes in some of the old household tips. For instance the book lists early potpourri ideas as " ways to remove offensive odors from the home" It suggests sprinkling coffee over hot coals from the fireplace. That would work! It also says sugar burnt on the fireplace shovel purifies the air. ( May have to try that and see what it smells like) It is also chalked full of common sense tips like not allowing children to eat snow. Some a bit questionable like to soften to leather shoes rub them with Kerosene. Says nothing of the smell and hazards that might cause or how to remove the smell from the shoes once rubbed with Kerosene. All and all this book is a enjoyable read.

This is the most interesting book! The recipes call for ingredients like molasses, lard, butter, etc. - all natural foods. In the back of the book there are some housekeeping ideas such as this one: = Dish Washing Made a Pleasure:"First of all, remove all refuse from the dishes. Place them near the sink, large plates at the bottom, then the smaller ones, then saucers. Have a large pan full of very hot water. Make a good soap suds by using a soap shaker. Wash the tumblers and all glassware first, and wipe at once. Use a handle dish cloth (which can be bought for five cents), for these, as the water will be too hot for the hands. Wash the silver next. Have a large pan, in which to place the clean dishes, cups and bowls first. When all are washed pour over them boiling or very hot water, and wipe quickly. Pans and kettles come last. Always have a cake of sand soap or a can of cleaning powder, for scouring the pie plates and bottoms of kettles. It is very little work to keep baking tins and kitchen utensils in good condition, if washed perfectly clean each time they are used. Wash the dish towels, at least once every day, and never use them for anything else. With clean hot water, clean towels, and plenty of soap dishwashing is made easy. If you live in New England, your sink will be in front of a window. Be sure and plant just outside of this window nasturtiums, a bed of pansies, morning glories and for fall flowers, salvia. These bright blossoms will add to your pleasure while washing dishes."

I only gave this book a 4-star rating because the formatting is not very good for Kindle; everything's the same-size font and line after line. But the recipes would get 5-star ratings because they are very old recipes that you don't see every day. Since when have you seen a Huckleberry Dumpling

recipe, or filled cookies, Old-time Gingersnaps, or recipes for Butterscotch that include "This is very nice when cooled on snow?" There's Beef Stew with dumplings (not the southern-style, ladies) and for the fun of it, there's Crust Coffee and Coffee Jelly. LOL Cool! What-d'ya expect for free?!

Okay, some of the tips were weird, like telling kids not to eat snow. I agree, yellow snow is a no-no, but hey, who wants to grow up and say they never, ever ate snow? Ya gotta, at least once! Just not in like, let's say, In a busy shipping lane where people cry a lot over their feelings. The recipes do have that 'old granny's recipes' feel to them. I love that. I am a recipe hog and I actually buy old ladies' recipe boxes on ebay so I can find things that have gone out of style. While I can't stand Jello molds, the old recipes were not afraid to use real sugar, lard, and lots of gravy. That said, *Things My Mother Used To Make* covers a lot of area and comes out winning.

I have to admit, many of the recipes and tips are extremely old-fashioned (and I mean EXTREMELY old-fashioned) and no longer likely to be used, this book is full of recipes our grandmothers or great-grandmothers used on a daily basis. These are also recipes and household tips that we may find useful one day, if the economy continues to tank! Frankly, I'm going to try a few recipes, just for the fun of it. I do believe I will save the use of old underpants as dust rags for the Apocalypse, but it is nice to know this idea will be freely available if that time ever does come!

A lot that my grandmother made. It took me back to her kitchen with her trying to really teach me while I was a child. They are really good recipes. Thank you for the memories

This would be a great book except that the measurements and the cooking temperatures would also be hard to determine. These recipes come from a time when old cook stoves that were heated by wood were used. much of the content in this book would be very difficult to even come by anymore.

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