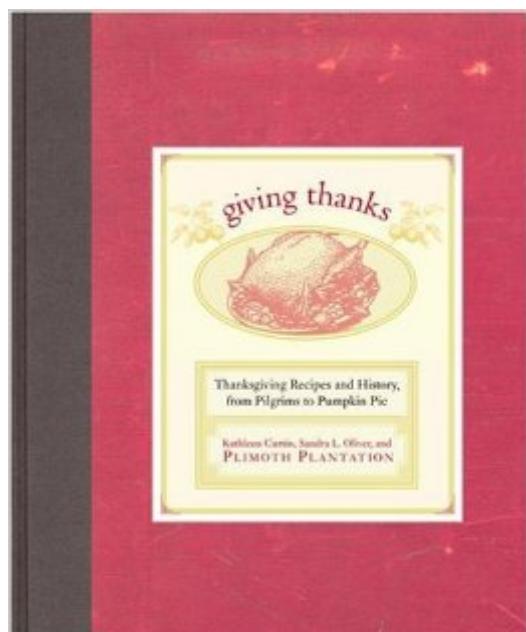


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# Giving Thanks: Thanksgiving Recipes And History, From Pilgrims To Pumpkin Pie



## Synopsis

A Delicious Exploration of the Thanksgiving Holiday Thanksgiving is the quintessential American holiday, with 97 percent of Americans eating turkey on that day. But beyond the bird, the menu is as varied as the cultures of the nationâ™s melting potâ and every recipe tells a story. Giving Thanks explores the delicious, fascinating history of Thanksgiving, complete with trivia, recipes, and an amazing collection of archival imagery of the holidayâ™s history. Perfect for parents, kids, teachers, history buffs, and of course Thanksgiving cooks, Giving Thanks is a true keepsake cookbook, meant to be shared and enjoyed year after year. Thanksgiving specialists Kathleen Curtin and Sandra L. Oliver and the world-famous Plimoth Plantation trace the colorful history of the holiday, from the story of âœThe First Thanksgivingâ• to twenty-first-century customs. Then the real fun beginsâ a delicious assortment of more than eighty recipes, from appetizers to desserts, old-fashioned mincemeat pies to modern pumpkin cheesecake, generously seasoned with plenty of fascinating trivia. Giving Thanks shows that thereâ™s definitely more to Thanksgiving cookery than sage stuffing and pumpkin pie, highlighting favorites from throughout the holidayâ™s history and from an incredible variety of cultures. Recipes include five different ways to prepare turkey, from Classic New England to Indian and Cuban; Oyster Stew and Pomegranate and Persimmon Salad; Creamed Onions and Corn Pudding; and pies galore, from Cranberry Pear to Texas Buttermilk. Filled with a vibrant, fascinating collection of Thanksgiving photographs and illustrations from Plimoth Plantationâ™s unparalleled archives, Giving Thanks brings the history of Thanksgiving to life in an incredibly delicious way.

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I loved "Giving Thanks". It is not only a comprehensive history of Thanksgiving and collection of everyone's favorite recipes (and then some), it is also a beautifully written feel-good book. Somehow the authors have managed to capture the love, spirit of connection and gratitude for life that surrounds this holiday and make it readily accessible to even this solitary reader. I highly recommend it!

This is a fun book. The book has great trivia and history, and a great variety of the old traditional recipes. But along with that, are the recipes created by the different cultures of our "Melting Pot", who adapted their own wonderful tastes and flavors to their Thanksgiving celebration. This year, my family is going use only recipes in this cookbook to make a wonderful Thanksgiving dinner.

A fantastic book to read! The recipes we tried were outstanding-easy to read directions & the history behind each dish was a treat to read. I am looking forward to using these recipes at our Thanksgiving this year.

As someone who loves to cook and is fascinated by early american history, I was extremely pleased by the content of this book. It is not merely a cookbook but a history book as well. This book can be enjoyed by children and adults equally.

Wonderful! Curtin and Oliver put together a unique collection of exquisite and easy to follow recipes. The history behind the national holiday is also explained with interesting details and complements nicely the culinary section. Whether the reader wants to learn more about the tradition or wants to impress friends and family at the dinner table, this is the book to read!Giving Thanks. A book to have and a book to give!

This book is full of wonderful recipes for down home cooking! The details about the history and heritage in the book our wonderfully detailed as well. A "must have" for the collection of everyone who loves to cook, or is just starting out. Also a great way to teach your family about Thanksgivings past. Highly recommended.

The Massachusetts Plimoth Plantation, a historical recreation of Plymouth in the time of the early pilgrims, has always been the definitive source on American Thanksgiving history and customs. In this new work, which is part historical guidebook and part cookbook, Plimoth Plantation Food Historian Kathleen Curtin and co-author Sandra Oliver have created the definitive work on this quintessential American holiday. The authors joyfully dispel many myths surrounding that first harvest celebration and bring to light many new historical details and anecdotes that really bring that first Thanksgiving to life. The recipes are great, and the authors have even included some ethnic twists on typical Thanksgiving fare. You'll even discover how Miami Cubans have 'Cubanized' the traditional American turkey with black beans and rice. *Giving Thanks: Thanksgiving Recipes and History, from Pilgrims to Pumpkin Pie* is a great holiday gift idea. If you're going to the in-laws or a friend's house for Thanksgiving this year, instead of bringing that same old "dish to share," order this book and bring it along. It makes a great gift that will get your hosts and all of the partygoers into the Thanksgiving spirit. And on Thanksgiving, who really needs Aunt Edna's green bean casserole anyway? At our house, there's always PLENTY of food to go around! If you're hosting Thanksgiving this year, give a copy to yourself. The recipes here will inspire you, and your guests will really be blown away by the food. Also recommended: *Three Guys From Miami Cook Cuban*

It's a history book and a cookbook all in one. The biggest selling point for me is the accuracy of the recipes. Can you believe it contains a mincemeat recipe that actually contains meat! That's a rare gem these days. If you love food history as much as you do a good dish you will want to own this book.

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