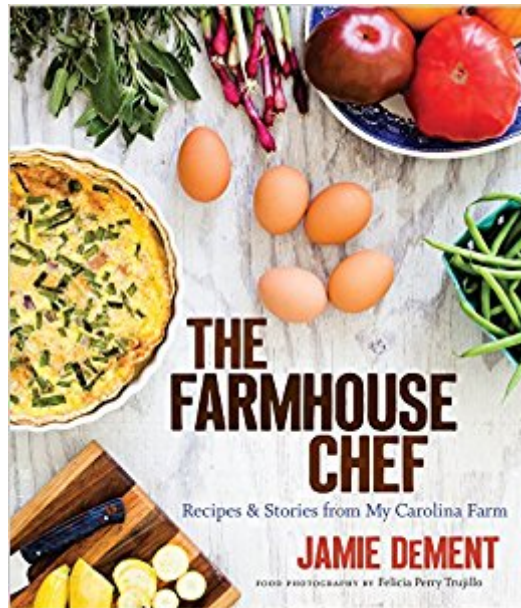




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The Farmhouse Chef: Recipes And Stories From My Carolina Farm



Synopsis

Jamie DeMent opens a bright kitchen window onto the newest kind of North Carolina farming life. On fifty-five acres of beautiful Piedmont farmland in Hillsborough, North Carolina, DeMent and her family raise sustainably nurtured and sought-after heirloom varieties of produce and livestock. Every day on Coon Rock Farm, DeMent cooks robust, flavorful, satisfying meals for family, crew, and farm interns—and now you are invited to share the bounty. The Farmhouse Chef offers 150 recipes for every occasion, from down home to downright elegant, inspired by the farm's yield through the four seasons. From fall's Sage- and Sausage-Stuffed Acorn Squash to Pear and Bacon Salad, to summer's Sugarcane Barbecue Chicken and Watermelon Mojitos, DeMent's cooking style highlights no-nonsense approaches using great ingredients combined with easy preparations for supercharged flavor. Accompanying the recipes are DeMent's deliciously observant stories illuminating what life is really like on a working farm. A native North Carolinian committed to the development of sustainable farming in her state, DeMent will inspire those of us who may not have a lot of time to cook, let alone farm, but who care about seasonal, healthfully grown food.

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Customer Reviews

DeMent's recipes have that unique southern flare but with the freshness of homegrown ingredients. She shows home cooks they don't have to live on a farm to be a farmhouse chef.--Booklist

Jamie has a way of sweeping everyone within earshot into her sunny, spunky approach to life,

agriculture, family, and food. The tantalizing array of recipes in *The Farmhouse Chef*--and the clear, gently encouraging way they are rendered--will attract readers and home cooks into her food world, one that is seasonal, sensual, and damn tasty! Her stories and recipes are so engaging, you won't even realize how much you're learning about southern food traditions along the way. Lookout, *Pioneer Woman*--the East Coast now has its own rural role model in Jamie DeMent!" --Matt Lee and Ted Lee, authors of *The Lee Bros. Charleston Kitchen*An immersion into deliciousness, delight, and inspiration, *The Farmhouse Chef* celebrates eating fresh, seasonal food while redefining what it means to be down on the farm in the twenty-first century. Prepare to become dangerously and deeply hungry." --Nancie McDermott, author of *Southern Soups and Stews* and *Fruit: A Savor the South Cookbook*The *Farmhouse Chef* combines good food with a good measure of storytelling. Through her recipes Jamie DeMent illuminates a year in the life of a farm family. A cookbook people will use "often." --Bill Smith, chef at Crook's Corner and author of *Seasoned in the South*

Obviously, I love this book. Full disclosure, I'm the author's other half in life and farming. I personally know and love every recipe in this book. The food is seasonal and delicious but the book is so much more than that. It's the story of our lives on the farm -- it's an entertaining and educational account of how we really live and grow crops and raise animals on a chemical free, sustainable family farm. You'll learn great recipes but also gain insight into day-to-day life on our real farm. And you will laugh. A good sense of humor and the ability to laugh at yourself are essential ingredients in this cookbook.

I could use words like amazing....glorious....phenomenal....inspiring, but you might think I am biased when you learn I am Jamie's mama! But I do believe all of these words apply to this cookbook! I watched her work on every recipe in this book. I have sampled most of them. I lived most of the stories with her. Cooking has always been something Jamie loved to do, and as a little girl she would push a chair up beside one of her grandmothers, her great grandmother, or me to help. Through helping she learned to be a magnificent cook! Jamie does everything she does with a passion. There is passion in every recipe in this book...you will feel it. Jamie has a passion for farming that is evident to everyone who knows her as a farmer. She has taken that love for the land she and Richard share and turned it into this amazing cookbook. Please use and share the recipes and stories in this book with your family and friends, and make new memories for yourselves. This was a labor of love for Jamie. Enjoy it! I am #oneproudmama!

Just received my cookbook!! Love it. I am an old southern cook. I was reading the recipe for fried chicken in Jamie's book. Unless you really know about frying chicken, you wouldn't know to put the thighs and back in the center of the pan to cook. This cookbook is a REAL cookbook!! Some really good twist to southern cooking. Thank you Jamie. I really hope you write more!!

I by a lot of cookbooks but this is by far one of the best. Not only does it have some wonderful recipes but it tells a story. I loved reading about Jamie's family. I could picture her as a child in her grandmothers basement helping with the canning of vegetables. I can't wait to start trying some recipes and to finish reading about Janie's adventures

I received my cookbook yesterday and flipped through it quickly, looking at pictures and glancing at recipes. Immediately I loved that there were simple southern favorites that are easy to follow alongside recipes with more sophisticated ingredients to challenge your palate and your creativity in the kitchen. Jamie has done a wonderful job building beautiful dishes around what is in season page after page. I can hardly wait to sit down and dig deeper into this amazing cookbook. Maybe I will even fix a Cantaloupe Margarita (page 71) to sip on while I read.

I am in love with this cookbook! It's so much more than just recipes, it's a glimpse into life on the farm and in the south. I have tried several recipes so far, and each is better than the last! I love the simplicity so far! Jamie's infusion of humor and storytelling, make you want to spend the day cooking with the family, making memories together! I see this being used weekly in our household!

Wow! I'm blown away at how Jamie combines delicious and simple meals and makes it also an entertaining process. You can feel the passion she feels for cooking and bringing delectable meals to the table while creating lasting memories. I will be giving this as a gift to my loved ones! Don't pass this book up. It should be in everyone's kitchen. My husband can't even put the book down. Win win!

I received my cookbook today and could not put it down. Jamie has done a wonderful job! I love to cook and love to read cookbooks. She is very detailed with instructions. Everything sounds and looks wonderful. The Southern recipes - Egg custard pie, Grated sweet potato pudding, etc. all sound great. The pictures of her and her family show that they love being in the kitchen. I cannot wait to try everything.

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