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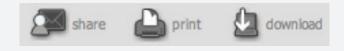


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ON THE COVER Cookies from "Scout's Honor" (get the recipes, page 98) Photograph by Stephen Scott Gross. Food styling by Joyce Sangirardi.

### **SWEET MEMORIES**

Few things in life make a long-lasting impact. For me, Girl Scout cookies were definitely one of them.

When I was a girl, I grew up all over the world. My father worked for the Italian government, which meant two things: that we moved every three years and that just as quickly as I would make new friends, I'd have to say goodbye.

But there was one constant in my life: being a Girl Scout and all that it defined — community, friendship and, yes, cookies. I started as a Brownie in Montreal, and had graduated to Junior Girl Scout status by the time we had moved to northern California.

My mom remembers buying me the classic green uniform at the famous McCaulou's department store in Lafayette, California, and sewing badges on my sash. Neither of us can remember what I earned them for, but we do remember all the cookies I sold to our neighbors and my dad's Italian colleagues — and the ones we stashed away in our freezer so we'd have a dedicated supply year-round.

Maybe one day there'll be gluten-free Girl Scout cookie options stacked alongside our old family favorites, including Thin Mints and Tagalongs. Until then, I'm happy to roll up my sleeves, call the kids into the kitchen and bake up our own gluten-free memories (see Scout's Honor, page 98). Now, so can you.

Silvana Nardone Editor-in-Chief Send me questions and comments at silvana@easyeats.com

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#### **EMAIL**

Thank you for such a beautiful magazine — I love it! I own a gluten-free bakery in Barcelona, and it's just lovely to be able to read a publication on gluten-free living. It's a bit of a gluten-free desert here!

-Manuela García Sánchez

I'm loving your magazine and the recipe vault. May I ask that, in future issues, substitutes be provided for dairy ingredients in recipes? I'm allergic to dairy as well as gluten (and soy) and while I can often figure out substitutes, I have yet to figure out what to use in place of cream cheese! Thank you! —Susanne Lee

I absolutely love your magazine! My one request (and it's a big one) is that you include more glutenfree, casein-free recipes.

-Emily Jelassi

While many of our recipes are casein free or offer a dairy-free alternative directly in the ingredient list, those that aren't can generally be adapted using our conversion chart. You can find this in the Recipe Vault on our website.

Your photos and recipes are breathtaking! When are you going to publish a cookbook?

—Lee Miller

#### **FACEBOOK**

Did a quick run through of your magazine and it looks like an awesome issue! I am not glutenintolerant but I like to cut back on the gluten in my diet. This magazine is awesome for that:-)
—Elizabeth Struck
JANUARY 4 AT 7:07PM

Just found you from a friend and I see lots of GF options! yay! Looking forward to your posts! — Live Life Whole — Mompreneur — Whole Food Gluten Free Paleo Foodie JANUARY 12 AT 9:10PM

I just received e-mails regarding winning gifts from your December Giveaway. Thank you so much. I look forward to receiving and enjoying these. This is truly a gift as I am having surgery in 10 days and this will do a lot for my spirit also. Thank you for making this available and for giving us wonderful recipes.

—Judy McClelland

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If you are looking for GF recipes, many of them in one place as well as a beautiful magazine filled with great ideas then check out *Easy Eats*! —Saga of a Gluten Free Mom with Nicolette Carriero FEBRUARY 11 AT 5:25PM



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Great article! Meeting more and more athletes on Gluten Free or Paleo Diet. Looks like it's working.
—@ManagingGFree

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<u>—@Michelle\_Jaffee</u>

@easyeatsmag Such a good magazine! Take your #gluten-free #fitness to the next level with @peterbronski. Great tips.
—@GFMelissa

<u>@easyeatsmag</u> I haven't made anything yet, but <u>@peterbronski</u> Chicken Tikka Masala & <u>@jenglutenfree</u> Turkey & Dried Fruit Quinoa will be!

-@HuntersLyonesse

@easyeatsmag loved the turkey/ quinoa salad. I'm having a gf Super Bowl party and we r using the recipes for the party-I'll send pics! —@scareltt2

<u>@easyeatsmag</u> The pizza recipe from @ehasselbeck looks delish & I appreciate your section on protein bars! I could go on...just love the mag! <u>—@Gfree\_Gal</u>

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See what adaptions I made to this great recipe. bit.ly/yVzVPo #GF
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Just renewed my subscription to <u>@easyeatsmag</u>. I am officially obsessed! <3 <u>—@SagaofaGFmom</u>

pinterest.com/pin/1468596378... Kale salad with pistachios and golden raisins! I am loving these @easyeatsmag recipes.

-<u>@helloglutenfree</u>





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### Words To Cook By

A roundup of our favorite new gluten-free cookbooks.

- SILVANA NARDONE

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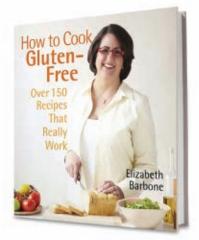
Your membership directly supports our awareness, advocacy, education, and research efforts on behalf of all those with food allergies and anaphylaxis.

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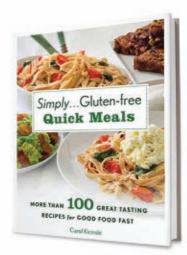
Over 150 Recipes That Really Work by Elizabeth Barbone (\$27.95, Lake Isle Press)

Where You've Seen Her: GlutenFreeBaking.com,

SeriousEats.com

What She's Known For: Making gluten-free dishes that

taste like their gluten-full counterparts. **Best Cookbook For:** Busy weeknights **Total Recipe Count:** More than 150



### **SIMPLY...GLUTEN-FREE QUICK MEALS:**

More Than 100 Great Tasting Recipes for Good Food Fast by Carol Kicinski (\$29.99, Thomas Dunne Books)

Where You've Seen Her: <u>SimplyGluten-Free.com</u>
What She's Known For: Fast, healthy recipes

**Best Cookbook For:** Busy weeknights **Total Recipe Count:** More than 100



### **BETTY CROCKER GLUTEN-FREE COOKING**, 1st edition

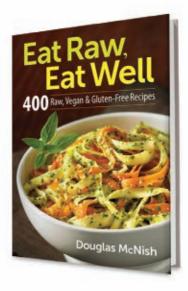
(\$19.99, Wiley Publishing)

Where You've Seen Her: She's one of the most trusted names in

American home cooking; BettyCrocker.com

What She's Known For: Kitchen-tested, feel-good recipes

**Best Cookbook For:** Easy family meals **Total Recipe Count:** More than 150



### EAT RAW, EAT WELL

**400 Raw, Vegan & Gluten-Free Recipes** by Douglas McNish (\$24.95, Robert Rose Books)

Where You've Seen Him: <a href="DougMcNish.com">DougMcNish.com</a> What He's Known For: Raw, vegan recipes

Best Cookbook For: High-energy, nutrient-rich dishes

**Total Recipe Count: 400** 

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#### **EAT LIKE A DINOSAUR:**

Recipe & Guidebook for Gluten-Free Kids by Paleo Parents (\$24.95, Victory Belt Publishing)

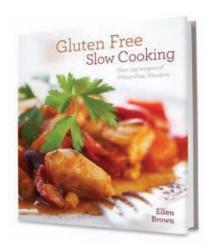
Where You've Seen Them: PaleoParents.com

What They're Known For: Kid-friendly, Paleo recipes free

of grains, dairy, legumes, soy and refined sugar.

**Best Cookbook For:** Kids and families who want to get back to basics and cook real meals without using processed foods.

**Total Recipe Count:**Mp 100



### **GLUTEN FREE SLOW COOKING:**

Over 250 Recipes of Wheat-Free Wonders by Ellen Brown (\$18.95, Cider Mill Press)

Where You've Seen Her: Author of the Complete Idiot's Guide to Slow Cooker Cooking and founding food editor of USA Today.

What She's Known For: Comforting, slow-cooker recipes

**Best Cookbook For:** Easy family meals **Total Recipe Count:** More than 125

### **LEARNING TO BAKE ALLERGEN-FREE:**

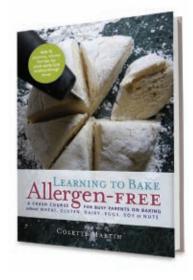
A Crash Course for Busy Parents on Baking without Wheat, Gluten, Dairy, Eggs, Soy or Nuts by Colette Martin (\$19.95, The Experiment Publishing)

Where You've Seen Her: <u>LearningtoEatAllergyFree.com</u>

What She's Known For: Kid-tested, allergen-free recipes made with love.

Best Cookbook For: Family-friendly meals

**Total Recipe Count**: More than 75





### THE ESSENTIAL GLUTEN-FREE BAKING GUIDE, Part 1

by Brittany Angell and Iris Higgins (\$16.95, Triumph Dining)

Where You've Seen Them: <u>RealSustenance.com</u> and <u>TheDailyDietribe.com</u>
What They're Known For: Recreating gluten-full baked goods by using

various gluten-free flours.

**Best Cookbook For:** Everyday baking **Total Recipe Count:** More than 50



### Soft Pretzels MAKES 8 pretzels

Dare we say these pretzels are just as good, if not better, than those found at most ball parks. (Recipe adapted from The Essential Gluten-Free Baking Guide, Part 1, by Brittany Angell and Iris Higgins.)

- \(^4\) cup plus 3\(^1\) tablespoons (213 grams) lukewarm water
- 2 teaspoons granulated sugar
- 1½ teaspoons fast-acting yeast
- ½ cup plus 1 tablespoon (80 grams) packed millet flour
- ¾ cup (120 grams) packed brown rice flour 1 cup (165 grams) potato starch
- ½ teaspoon salt
- ¾ teaspoon xanthan gum
- ½ teaspoon double-acting baking powder
- 1 teaspoon mild-flavored oil
- <sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> cup baking soda
- Melted butter or oil, for brushing Coarse salt, for sprinkling

- ① Combine the lukewarm water, sugar and yeast in a bowl. Set aside for 5 minutes, allowing the yeast to develop.
- 2 In a large bowl, combine the millet flour, rice flour, potato starch, salt, xanthan gum, baking powder and oil. Mix well. Stir in the water-yeast mixture until dough thickens slightly, 2 minutes.
- 3 Lightly coat hands with oil and divide the dough into 8 equalsized balls. Gently roll out each ball of dough on a clean, dry surface. Bend and crisscross each rope into a pretzel shape.
- 4 Place the pretzels onto a baking sheet. Brush each with a little oil, cover the pan with a towel and place in a warm location to let rise, 20 to 25 minutes.
- 5 In a large pot over medium-high heat, bring 10 cups of water and the baking soda to a boil. Drop the pretzels, one or two at a time, into the rapidly boiling water. Boil for 30 seconds, turning once. Return to the baking sheet.
- 6 Preheat oven to 375°. Brush each pretzel with melted butter and sprinkle with coarse salt. Bake until golden brown, 13 to 15 minutes. Serve warm.

# Clean and Green

Oh, spring — that wonderful time of year that you welcome longer, brighter days by clearing out your clutter and spruce up your space. Just follow our blueprint to make this your easiest spring cleaning yet: easier for you — and easier on the environment.

**— AMY HOWARD** 





# 10 Tips for Easy Spring Cleaning

(so you won't need to clean again until next year)

Gather your supplies.

• Make sure you have all of your products and tools together in one place so you don't

have to stop cleaning to run and get something.

Wear rubber gloves.

• You won't need them for protection from harsh chemicals this year, but wear them anyway to help your hands stay dry and keep your nails from chipping or breaking.

Start at the top.

• Working from the highest to lowest and from back to front minimizes the need to backtrack and potentially mess up what you already cleaned.

## 4 Complete one room at a time.

You're more likely to finish the whole house if you're motivated by seeing each finished room.

**Dust before vacuuming.**• All the dust doesn't stick to the cloth when wiping surfaces. Follow up with the vacuum to get any that falls.

• Open the windows to get fresh air circulating through the house.

Let everyone pitch in.
Involve as many other family members
(or friends) as you can. Play loud music and
make it a party. This not only makes the work go
quicker, it makes it more fun.

## 8 Multitask, multitask, multitask,

Run the washing machine, dryer and the dishwasher while you clean the other parts of those rooms.

Donate unwanted items.

• Find a local charity that accepts clothing and furniture, and give away items you don't want or haven't used in a while. Charitable gifts are often tax-deductible, plus it feels great to help others and gain storage space.

Make a schedule.

Give each family member daily and weekly tasks for keeping all the rooms neat and decreasing clutter, so you won't have to do a major clean-out until next year. Hang up a progress chart, and reward consistent cleaners.

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### **CALDREA LINEN & ROOM SPRAY**

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# Baby's Room



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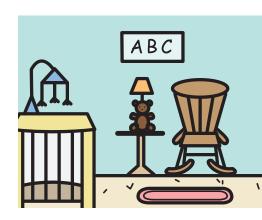
This natural, hypoallergenic cleaner is safe for
all your baby's cleaning
needs, including the crib,
changing tables, toys and
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This plant-based, all-purpose soap made with essential oils is for everyone and every body. Use it as hand soap, shampoo, body wash or even bubble bath. It's also paraben-free, polysorbate-free, disodium EDTA-free, gluten-free, non-GMO verified and sodium laureth/lauryl sulfate-free. (\$9.99 for 32 oz.; eoproducts.com)



### BIOKLEEN BAC-OUT BATHROOM CLEANER

Live enzyme cultures effectively clean and deodorize your bathroom from top to bottom, leaving only a lavender-lime scent behind. With regular use, Bac-Out will help prevent build-up on all bathroom surfaces, including your toilet and shower curtains. (\$7.34 for 32 oz.; biokleenhome.com)

