



# 2022-23 Content Catalog



# Welcome to the New Topix Media Lab Content Catalog

Thank you for your continued support. 2022 will be a special year for us as Topix celebrates its 10<sup>th</sup> year of publishing both themed and branded books and magazines.

Our publishing lineup continues to grow as we develop and expand our fantasy book series. We have added new themed puzzles, creative cookbooks and launched new anime publications.

Our kids' line has grown with launch of a creative science series with Steve Spangler.

Our branded book series includes releases with Hasbro, Smithsonian and John Wayne Enterprises.

Our passion for the past 10 years is to bring customers unique and inspiring reading experiences, with hours of entertainment and with publications that continue to surprise and delight.

We look forward to sharing our publications with you over the coming year.

**Tom Mifsud**  
*SVP, Topix Media Lab*

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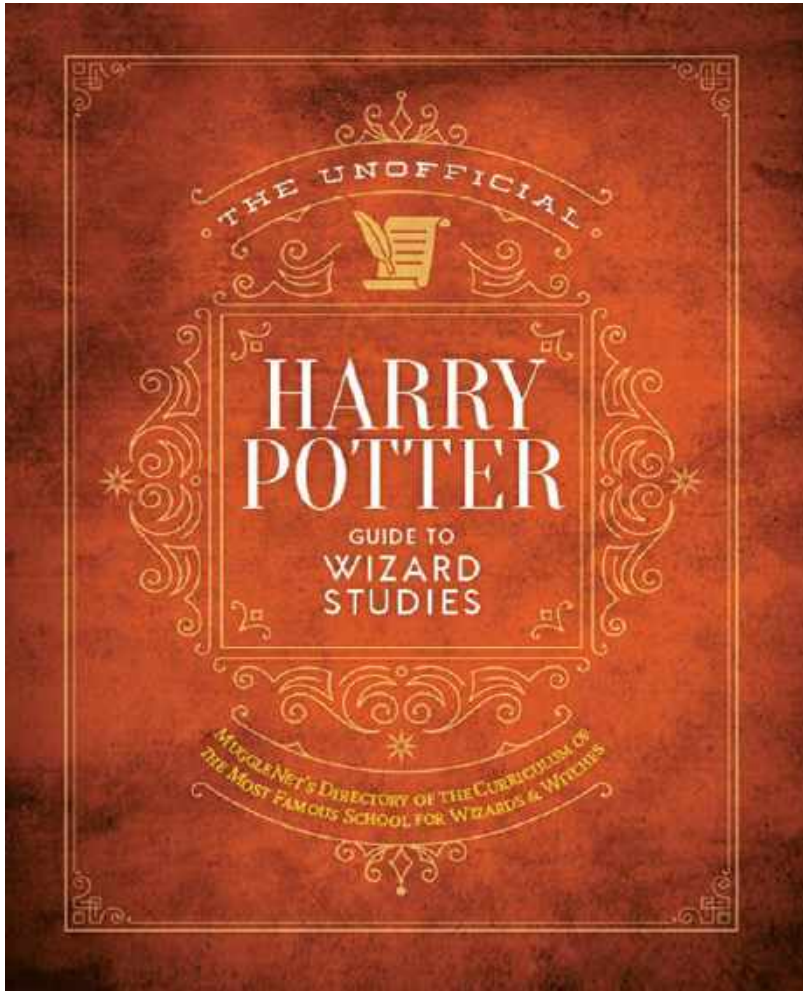


# Fiction & Fantasy



# The Unofficial Harry Potter Guide To Wizard Studies

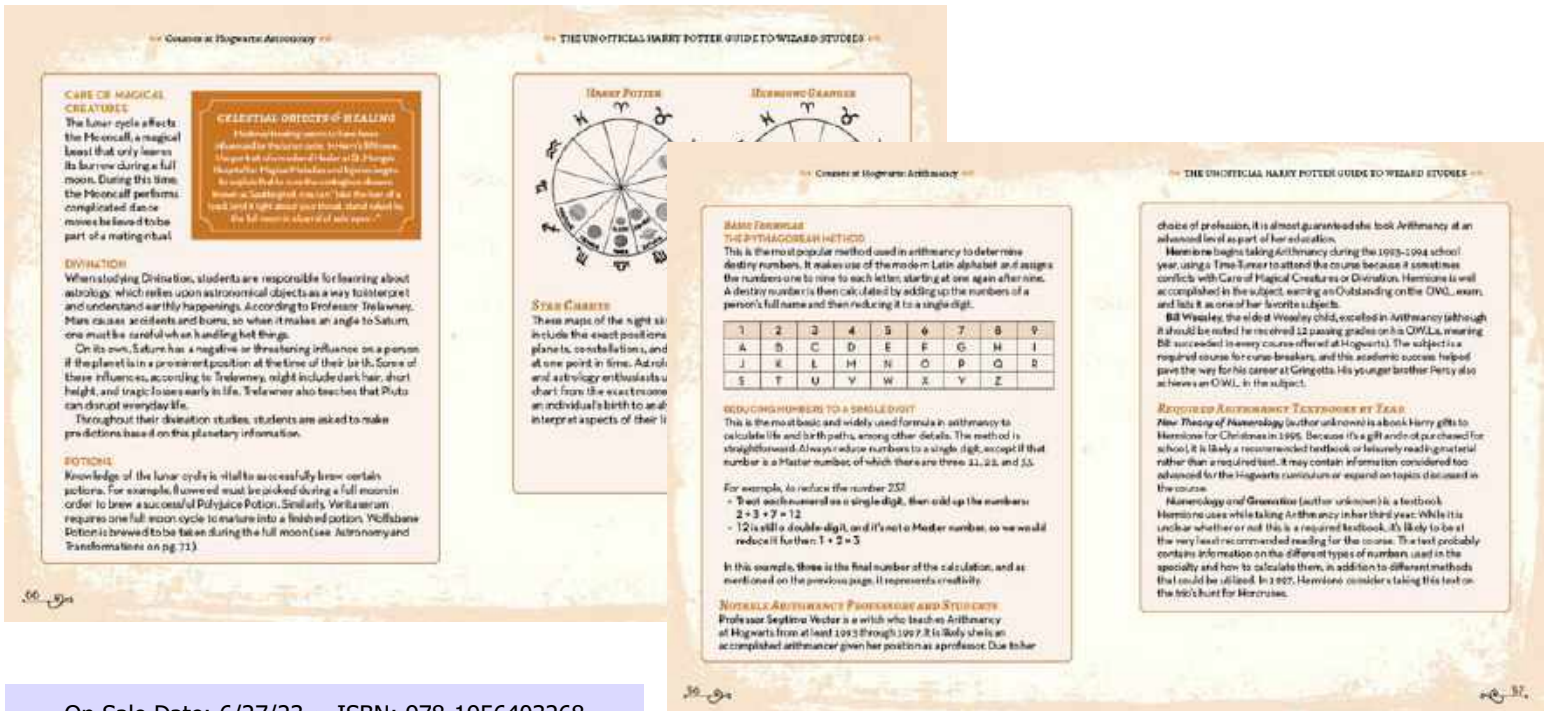
MuggleNet's Directory Of The Curriculum Of The Most Famous School For Wizards & Witches



This comprehensive tome examines every aspect of the Hogwarts curriculum, from class descriptions and exam questions to potion ingredients and the magical world's perspective on Muggle history.

Certain to make reading (or re-reading) the Harry Potter series that much more intriguing, this book explores the full breadth of instruction at Hogwarts, as well as the fine details of each class, from each class syllabus to final exams. Inside, readers will find insights into:

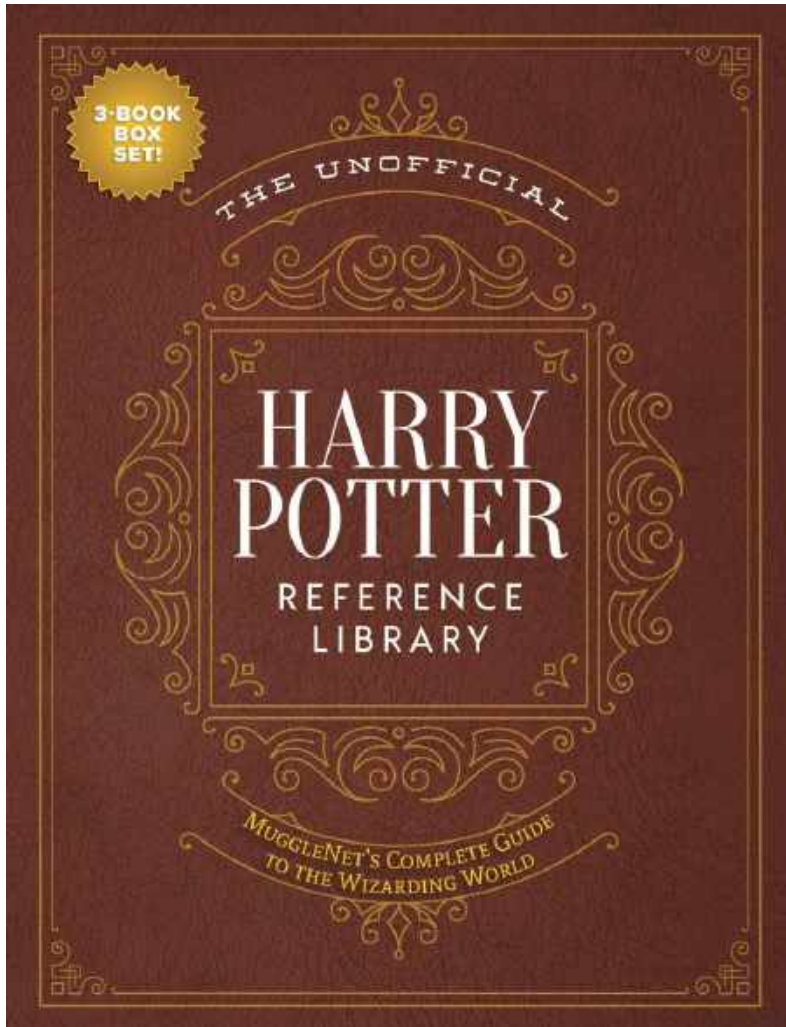
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- And much, much more!



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# The Unofficial Harry Potter Reference Library

*MuggleNet's Complete Guide To The Wizarding World*

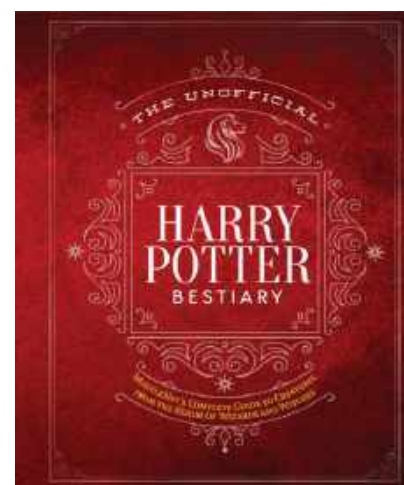
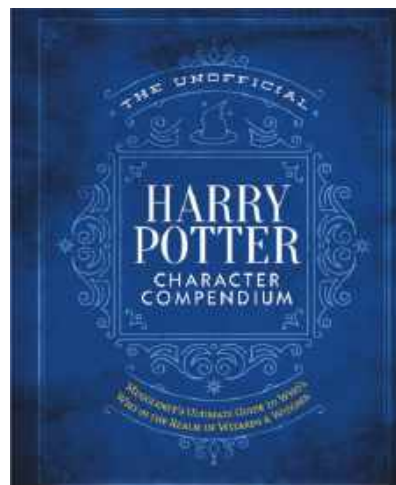
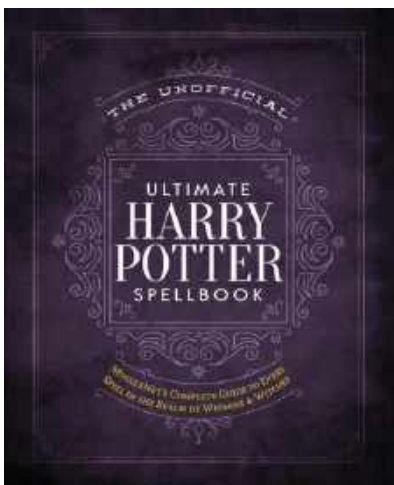


Relive the joy and the drama of the Harry Potter series with this collection of fan favorite volumes from MuggleNet's Unofficial Harry Potter Reference Library. This stunning boxed set collects the three most popular books in the Unofficial Harry Potter Reference Library series - an incredible collection that digs deep into the lore of the Wizarding World. Inside you'll find:

**The Unofficial Ultimate Harry Potter Spellbook:** Details more than 250 spells, charms, curses, hexes and jinxes in all, plus a catalog of enchanted objects.

**The Unofficial Harry Potter Character Compendium:** This massive showcase details every character appearing in the official Harry Potter canon of books, movies and plays. Each entry highlights one character, where you will find details of when the character was first mentioned, appearance, wizard school, house, patronus, wand, related family members, skills and achievements, personal history and more - more than 700 characters in total.

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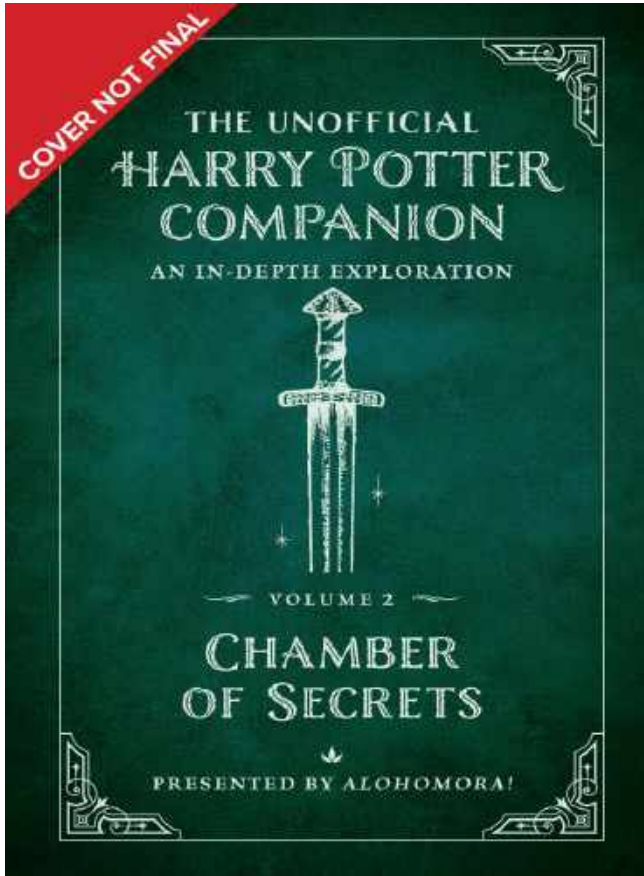
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This 3- Book Set includes Hardcover editions of The Unofficial Ultimate Harry Potter Spellbook, The Unofficial Harry Potter Character Compendium, and The Unofficial Harry Potter Bestiary. 708 Total pages in all!



# The Unofficial Harry Potter Companion

## An In-Depth Exploration Volume 2: Chamber of Secrets



The **Alohomora!** podcast began five years after the release of the final Harry Potter book as a way to rediscover the original magic of the novels. Almost a decade later, the fandom - and the podcast - is bigger than ever, with more analysis and conversations happening about the Harry Potter story than ever before. This second book in the new companion series will help readers discover new ideas, connections, and secrets embedded throughout Chamber of Secrets and explore them in a whole new way. For each chapter of the original text, readers will find information gathered from a multitude of official sources, including a timeline that puts everything into an easily envisioned context. Readers will discover helpful information about characters, events, artifacts, and more. Insights and analysis drawn from the hosts and guests of the podcast starts a reader of the companion on their journey of their own analysis.

In addition, there are explorations of popular fan theories (both those that were popular at the novel's time of publication and have been disproved, and those that continue in the fandom today). Readers will also find connections to extra-canonical information and other MuggleNet series books, as well as a QR code that leads to episodes of the podcast to further the conversation.

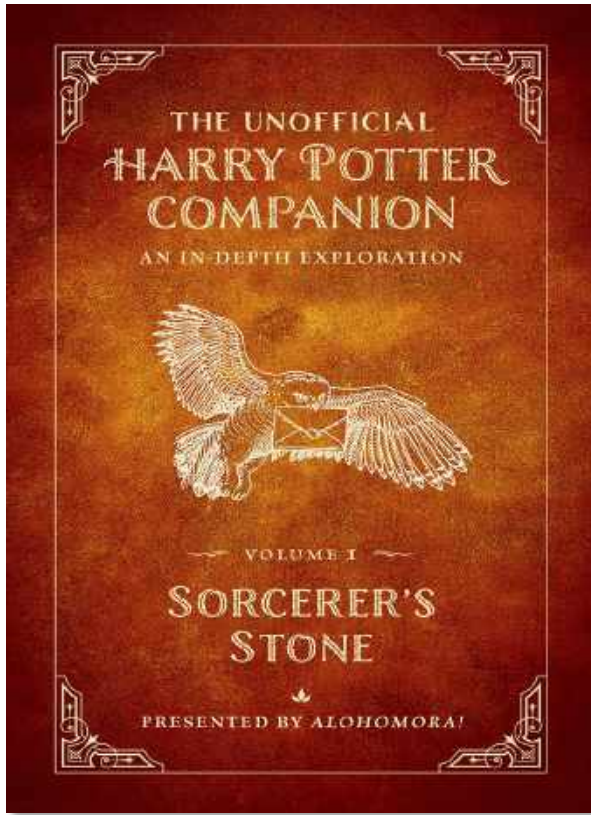


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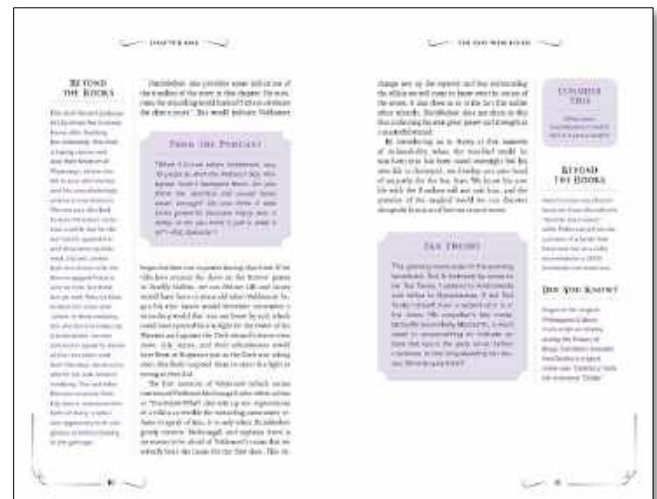
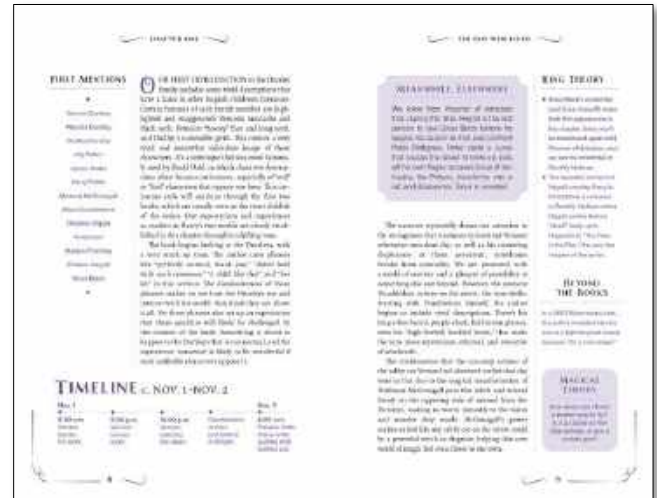
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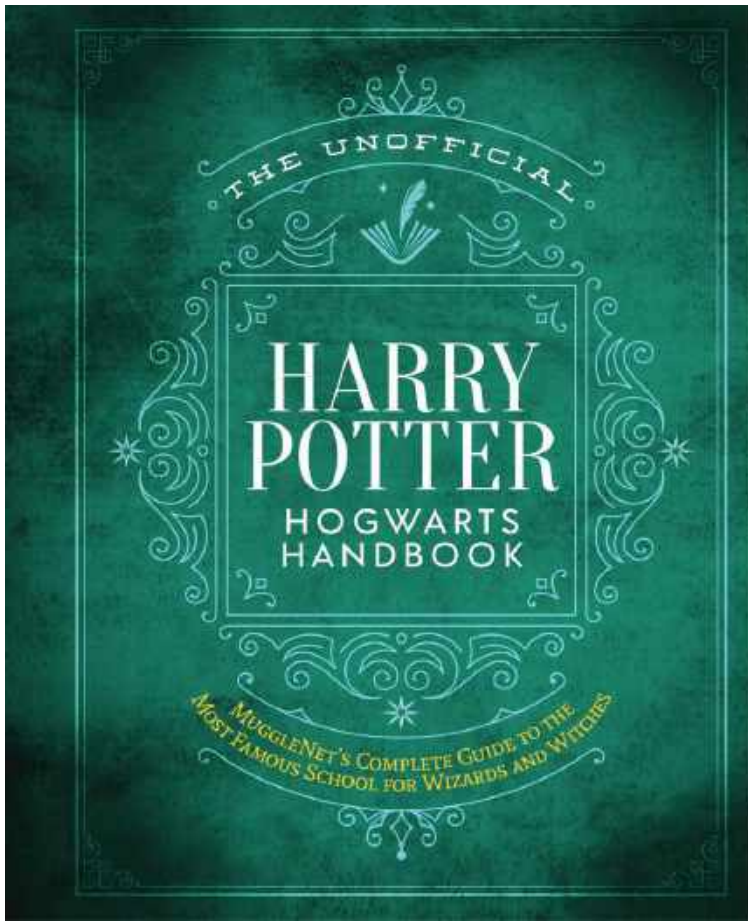
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# The Unofficial Harry Potter Hogwarts Handbook

## MuggleNet's Complete Guide to the Most Famous School For Wizards and Witches



**THIS COMPREHENSIVE** tome examines the endless details of life at Hogwarts, the most famous school in the Wizarding World of Harry Potter. Inside, readers will find an extraordinary assortment of insights and information about how the school works, how it's organized, what classes are taught, who teaches them, what secrets or mysteries might be discovered and much more!

*The Unofficial Harry Potter Hogwarts Handbook* is the next best thing to attending Hogwarts itself, providing more Wizarding World insight, detail and fun than ever before recorded in a single book.

### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

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Certain to make reading (or re-reading) the *Harry Potter* series that much more intriguing, this book explores the traditional and extraordinary in equal measure, uncovering details about the school that readers will savor, including:

- The history and traditions of Hogwarts, including notable alumni.
- Details of the four founders, Godric Gryffindor, Helga Hufflepuff, Rowena Ravenclaw and Salazar Slytherin.
- How the school is organized with teachers, prefects, head boys and head girls.
- Holidays, feasts and celebrations.
- The castle layout, classrooms, common rooms, courtyards, dungeons, secret rooms and more.
- Details into the "living" artwork throughout the castle.
- Artifacts, enchantments, protections and secret passageways.

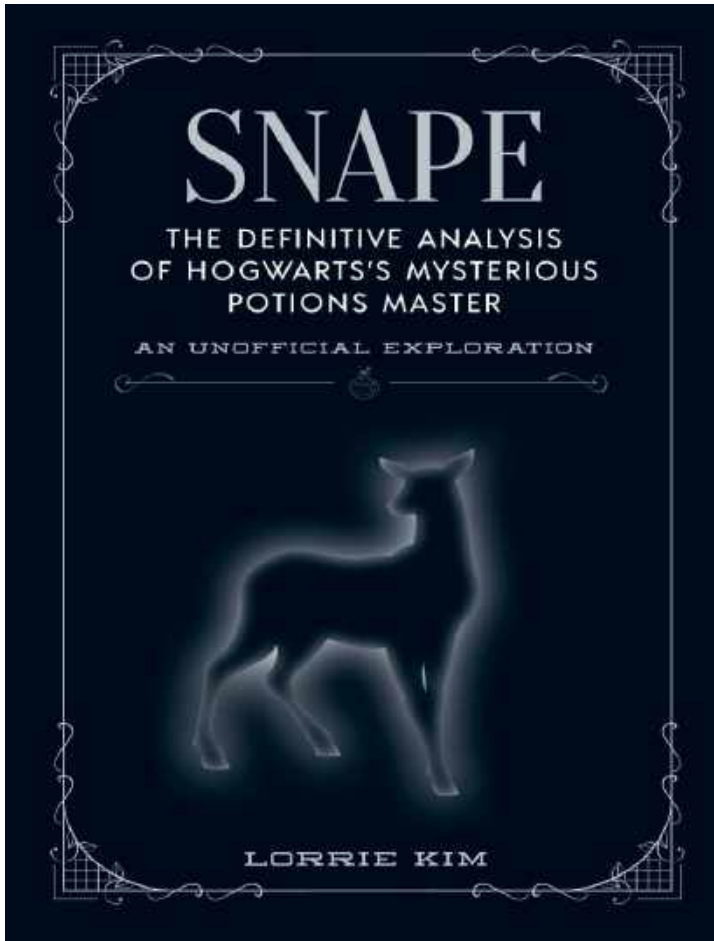


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# Snape

## The Definitive Analysis of Hogwarts's Mysterious Potions Master



**WHAT WAS** Professor Snape really thinking during the last seven years of his life? Can we ever know for certain? It turns out we can. Through a close reading of *the Harry Potter* series, Lorrie Kim reveals everything we need to understand J.K. Rowling's most enigmatic character. The *Harry Potter* series may be named after the Boy Who Lived, but if you want to know the story, keep your eyes fixed on Severus Snape. This hook-nosed, greasy-haired, grumpy character is one of J.K. Rowling's enduring gifts to English literature.

He's the archetypal ill-tempered teacher: acerbic, yet horribly, deliciously funny. When he's in a scene, you can't take your eyes off him. Snape is always the story. In this examination of J.K. Rowling's most enigmatic character, Lorrie Kim shows us how to sort through the illusions and lies to the man who dared to spy on Voldemort and without whom Harry's story would have turned out very differently. In his final moments, he asks Harry (and the reader) to "Look at me." This book does just that.

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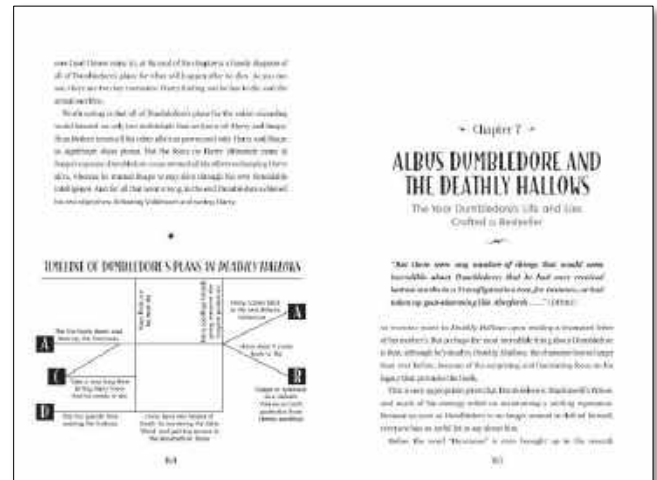
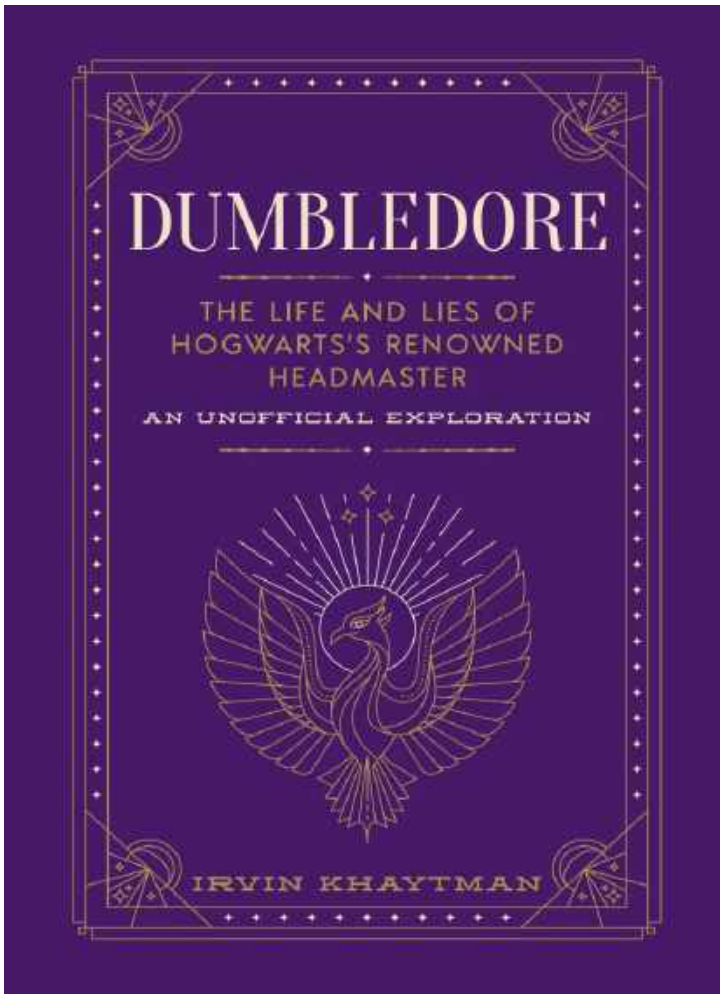
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# Dumbledore

## The Life and Lies of Hogwarts's Renowned Headmaster: An Unofficial Exploration



**A BRILLIANT** investigation into the motivations and methods behind the actions of Hogwarts’s renowned Headmaster!

Albus Percival Wulfric Brian Dumbledore, Headmaster of Hogwarts, is one of the most recognizable and mysterious figures in the *Harry Potter* series. As an unscrupulous beetle-like journalist once said, he’s “a biographer’s dream.” Is he omniscient or limited? Is he benevolent or malevolent? What really drove him in the last years of an extraordinary life?

*Dumbledore* dives between the lines of the *Harry Potter* books to create a portrait of the controversial Headmaster. We find Dumbledore's hand in every seeming coincidence, and consider the impossible decisions he had to make. This in-depth examination from author Irvin Khaytman casts the events of the *Harry Potter* series in a whole new light, resolving fans’ questions that linger to this day.

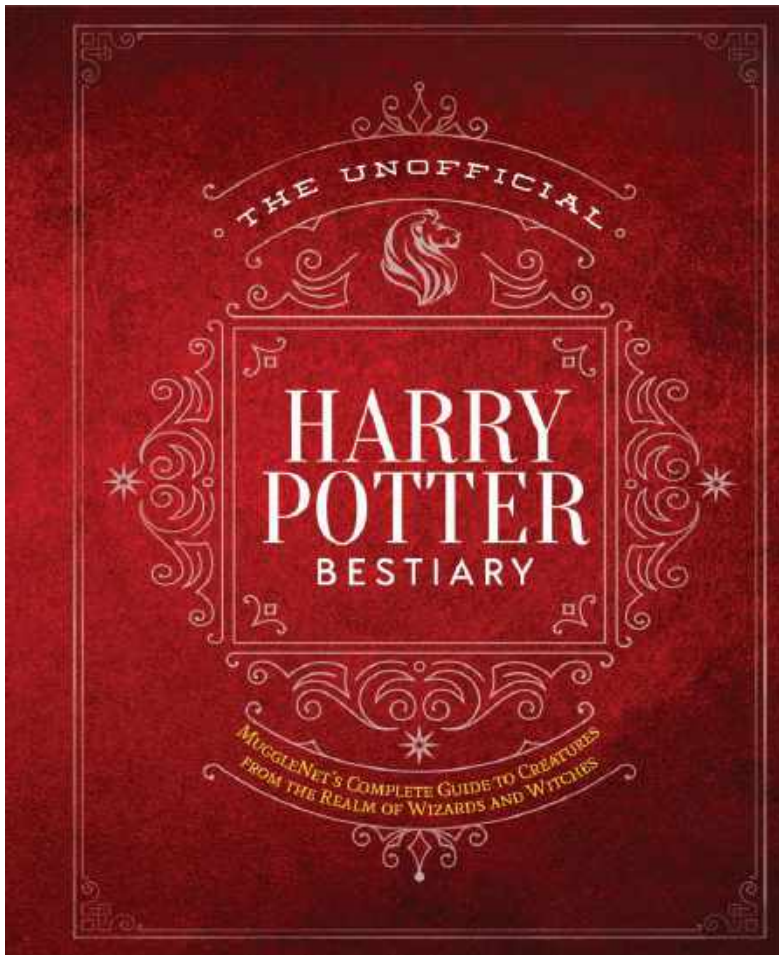
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# The Unofficial Harry Potter Bestiary

*MuggleNet's Complete Guide to Creatures From The Realm of Wizards and Witches*



**FROM ACROMANTULAS** to Thestrals, this beautiful book details every monster, beast or creature that has ever appeared in any official *Harry Potter* book, film or theatrical production. *The Unofficial Harry Potter Bestiary* includes more than 200 fascinating magical creatures in all, with each entry providing a number of important classifications, including first appearance in *Harry Potter* lore, location, disposition, physical appearance, attack abilities, defenses and intriguing story facts. We've also included rich descriptions for each entry, detailing each creature's history (or biography, in the case of specific creature characters), habitat and impact on the various stories from throughout the Wizarding World. So feed your inner magizoologist's hunger for knowledge, learn more about these incredible creatures (including stories about them passed down through generations by historians and mythologists) and discover how to spot them in the wild—or even your own backyard.

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**Name** → **Flesh-Eating Slug**

**Creature History** → **A** though Flesh-Eating Slugs do not appear to be common, the stories surrounding these creatures is so pervasive that it is hard to believe that they are not everywhere. Professor Slughorn once mentioned to the first-year class that he had seen someone whose bagpipes had been eaten by a Flesh-Eating Slug in the Muggle world. The creature's green slug, found in Wales, will prey on anything.

**Detailed descriptions** → **F**wooper are African birds known for their bright colors and distinctive loudly trilling song, the latter of which prompted the Ministry of Magic to award them a moderate classification for keeping with this strict protocol. Fwoopers are said only to scream owners and come with a Silencing Charm placed upon them, which their owners must carefully inspect once a month. Thoroughly admired, Fwoopers make for lovely pets and will lay eggs with shells as colorful as they are.

**Trivia** → **M**rs. the Oddball, a famous magical wizard with a reputation for experimentation and strange experiments, once used himself to lure to a Fwooper's song continuously for three months. Eventually tired in his lack that the bird would pass on danger to his mental health, she abandoned to prove the Fwooper's maddening self contained feeding properties and, with prolonged exposure, could even improve his health. As things were broken out, however, when he later appeared before the Council wearing nothing but a dead batger on his head.

**Memorable scenes** → **H**owever dull creatures, Flobberworms live or eat, rarely move and do nothing save for creating a dense mass which can be used by their partners. The history of frogs, which are as downright "boring," while Flobberworms could be dismissed, it's unlikely anyone would bother. Following *Half-Blood Prince*, the professor at the Dean's office, Madam Pince, is shocked to find a Flobberworm in the rest of the school year. They eventually die from being overfed.

Every monster, beast or creature that has ever appeared in any official Harry Potter book, film, or theatrical production

ALL CREATURES IN THE KNOWN WORLD (AND ON THE MOON)

LUNA LOVEGOOD'S MAGICAL MENAGERIE

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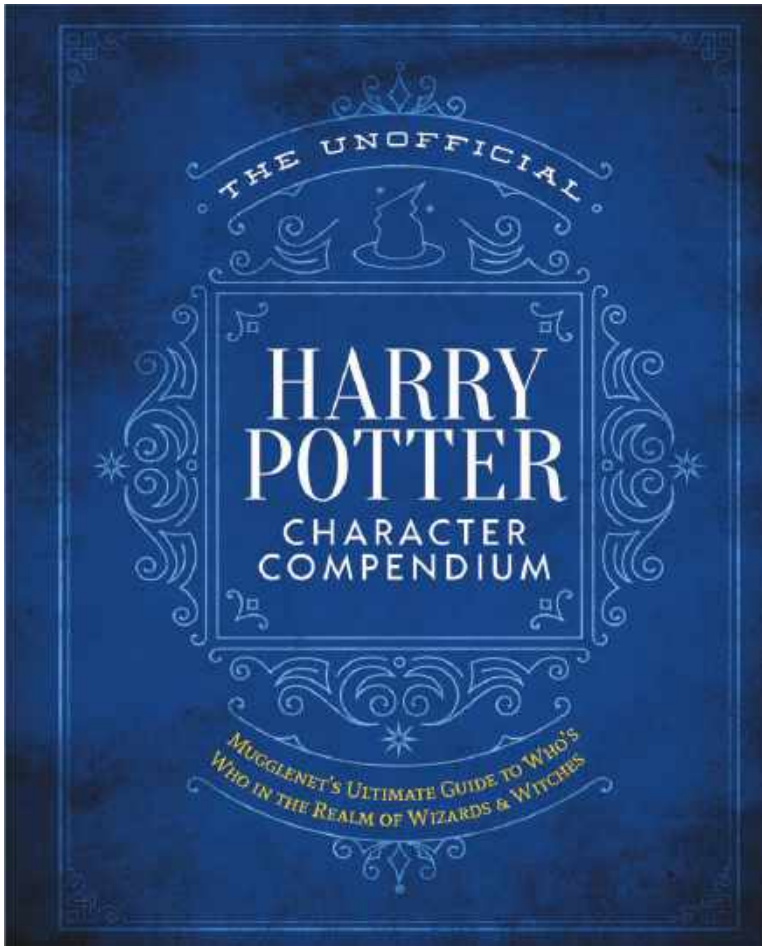
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# The Unofficial Harry Potter Character Compendium

## MuggleNet's Ultimate Guide to Who's Who in the Realm of Wizards & Witches



J.K. ROWLING'S collection of mystical multitudes is what makes the wizarding world so enchanting. To dive into Harry's story is to immerse yourself in the richness of a magical universe filled with wizarding history, culture and lore. A world of witches, wizards, owls, elves, non-magical people, anti-non-magical people, folks who can talk to snakes and snakes who used to be folks. There are mind-readers, shape-shifters, centaurs, giants, ghosts (nearly headless and fully formed) and one enormous, extremely ill-tempered tree.

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### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

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## Olive Hornby

**First Mentioned:** Chamber of Secrets

**Characteristics:** Slytherin

**Parents:** Mrs. Hornby (mother), Mr. Hornby (father)

**Other Family Members:** Basil Horton (brother), Hope Howell (brother)

**Other Information:** Olive is a Muggle-born witch who is a member of the Slytherin House at Hogwarts. She is a friend of Hermione Granger and is a member of the Gryffindor Quidditch team. She is also a member of the Slytherin Quidditch team.

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## Helga Hufflepuff

**First Mentioned:** Chamber of Secrets

**Characteristics:** Hufflepuff

**Parents:** Unknown

**Other Family Members:** None

**Other Information:** Helga Hufflepuff was one of the four founders of Hogwarts and the founder of Hufflepuff House. She valued loyalty, hard work, and fairness, and preferred to teach students who were loyal to their teachers. Helga was highly respected by students who didn't make it with the other three houses. She was a close friend of Tonks' grandmother and aided with Gryffindor and Ravenclaw when they were being founded. Helga was a very dedicated witch who was a member of the Slytherin House. She was later taken by her husband and eventually made her way to Hogsmeade. It was later taken by her husband and eventually made her way to Hogsmeade.

### Olive Hornby's Brother

His name is Basil Horton. He was the brother of Olive Hornby. To give Olive, Muggle-born, was the same as Basil. He is a member of the Slytherin House.

### Basil Horton

According to Wikipedia, Basil Horton was a Muggle-born wizard who was a member of the Slytherin House at Hogwarts. He was a friend of Olive Hornby and was a member of the Slytherin Quidditch team. He was also a member of the Slytherin Quidditch team.

### Hope Howell

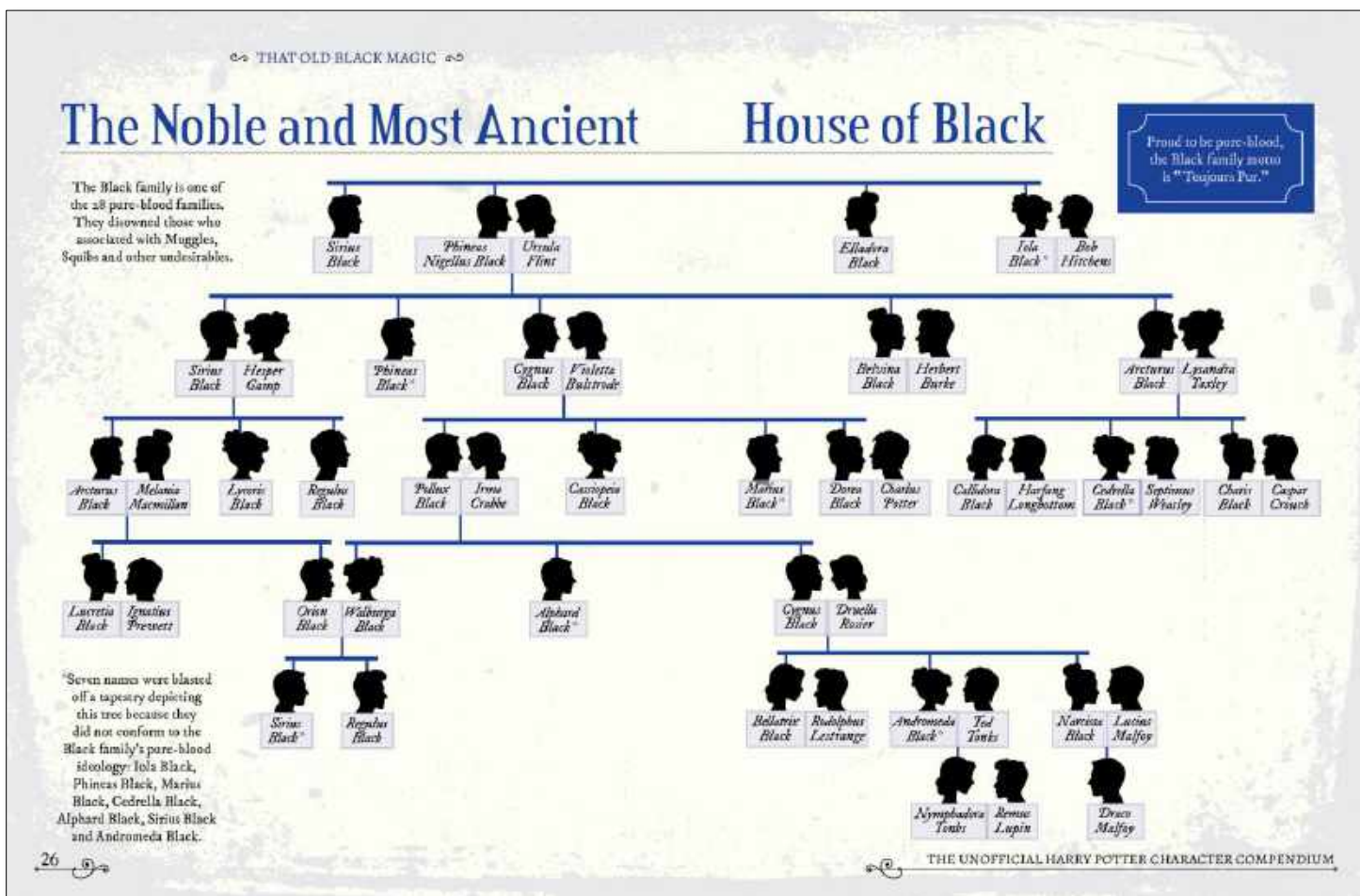
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*"For Hufflepuff, hard workers were most worthy of admission..."*

Character Name

Summary

Magical Trivia

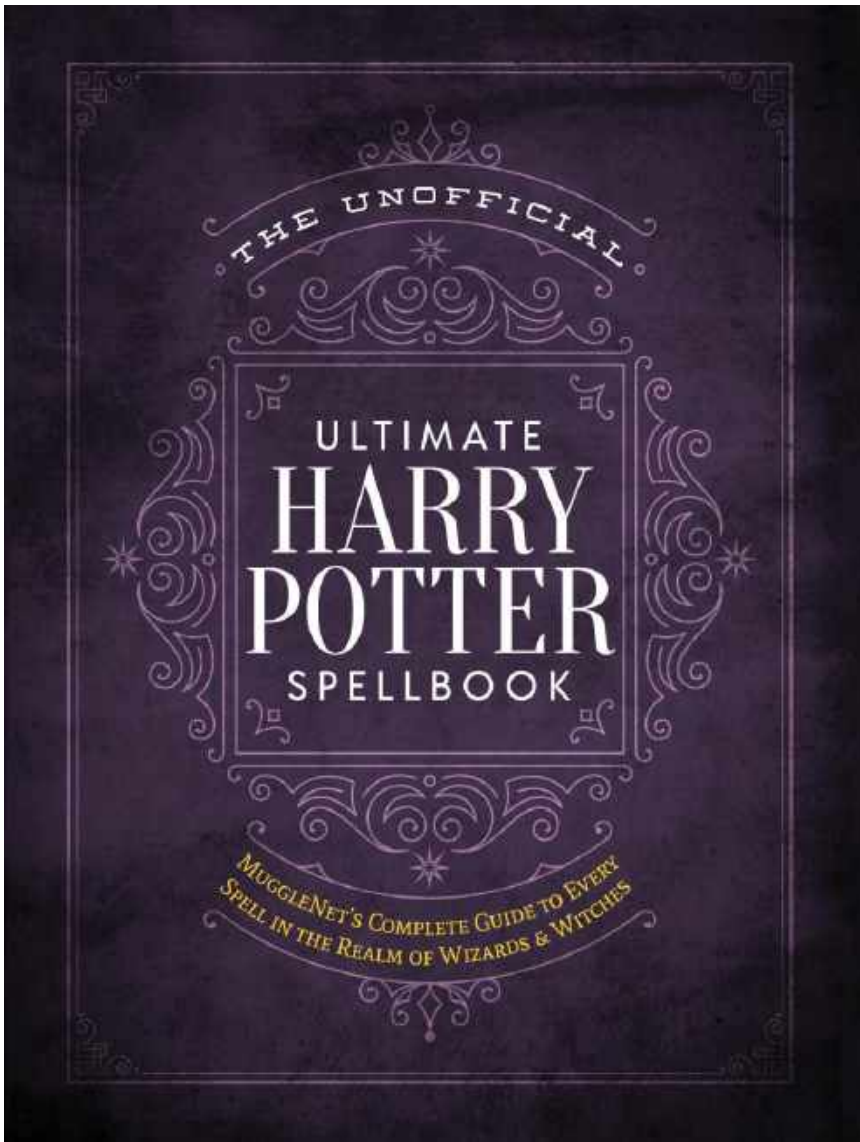


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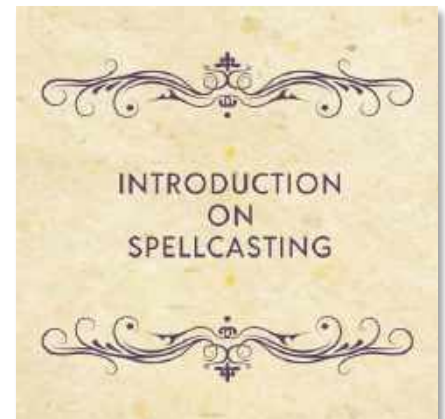
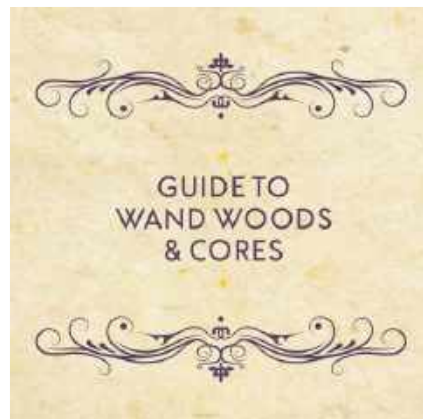
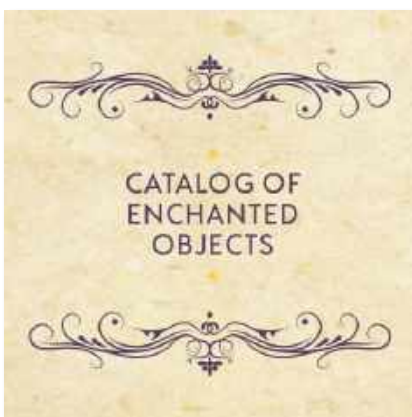
**THE UNOFFICIAL** *Ultimate Harry Potter Spellbook* is a beautiful, elegantly designed reference that details all of the known spells cast in the *Harry Potter* films, books, video games and card games, as well as official *Harry Potter* spinoffs, such as *Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them*. There are more than 240 spells, charms, curses, hexes and jinxes in all, plus a catalog of enchanted objects.

Each spell is given its own entry including spell name, pronunciation and etymology, a description of the spell effect, wand movements and vocalizations where applicable, explanatory notes and fun facts related to each spell, such as who it was used against, what the outcome was or what a spell's unusual history might be. Sharp-eyed readers will also find handwritten comments throughout.

With an introduction on spellcasting and a guide to wand woods and cores, *The Unofficial Ultimate Harry Potter Spellbook* is a must-have magical treasure for any *Harry Potter* fan's library.

## DISCOVER THE MAGIC!

- A comprehensive compendium of spells from every *Potter* book, movie, video game and card game
- Keepsake quality, with a silky, embossed cover and sturdy interior pages
- The perfect gift for wizards, witches and Muggles everywhere!





## Draconifors

**TYPE** Transfiguration

**PRONUNCIATION** Drah-con-ih-fors

**USE** Turns small objects into dragons

**ETYMOLOGY** In Latin, draco means "dragon" and forma means "shape."

**MAGIC MOMENT** Minerva McGonagall teaches this spell in third-year Transfiguration class.

**NOTES** This spell is only seen in the *Prisoner of Azkaban* video game.

Produces much smaller, less powerful creatures than true dragons.

Name

trivia

Handwritten Insights

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### Illegibilus

**PRONUNCIATION** *Il-leg-ih-bill-us*

**USE** To make a text unreadable

**ETYMOLOGY** In English, *illegible* means "unreadable."

**NOTES** This may be useful for concealing a document's information from others.

**MAGIC MOMENT** This spell is mentioned only in the *Harry Potter Trading Card Game*.

### Imperturbable Charm

**PRONUNCIATION** Unknown

**USE** To create a magical barrier around the target

**ETYMOLOGY** N/A

**NOTES** This charm blocks both noise and objects—the twins' *Extendable Ears* cannot go under a door that had been *Imperturbed*.

**MAGIC MOMENT** In *Order of the Phoenix*, Molly Weasley places this charm on a door so that Harry, Hermione and the Weasley children cannot listen to the Order's conversations.


### Immobulus

**PRONUNCIATION** *It-moh-byoo-lus*

**USE** To render a target immobile

**ETYMOLOGY** In Latin, *immobilis* means "unmoving."

**PREFERRED WAND MOVEMENT**



**NOTES** According to Horace Slughorn, a *Freezing Charm* can disable a Muggle burglar alarm.

**MAGIC MOMENT** In the *Prisoner of Azkaban* film, Remus Lupin uses this *Freezing Charm* to immobilize the *Whomping Willow*.

### Impervius

**PRONUNCIATION** *Im-pur-vee-us*

**USE** To make the target repel water and mist

**ETYMOLOGY** In English, *impervious* means "not penetrable."

**NOTES** In *Deathly Hallows*, Hermione also suggests Ron use this charm to protect the things in Corban Yaxley's office until he can set out the rain.

**MAGIC MOMENT** In *Prisoner of Azkaban*, Hermione uses this spell on Harry's glasses so he can see during a rainy *Quidditch* match.

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### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

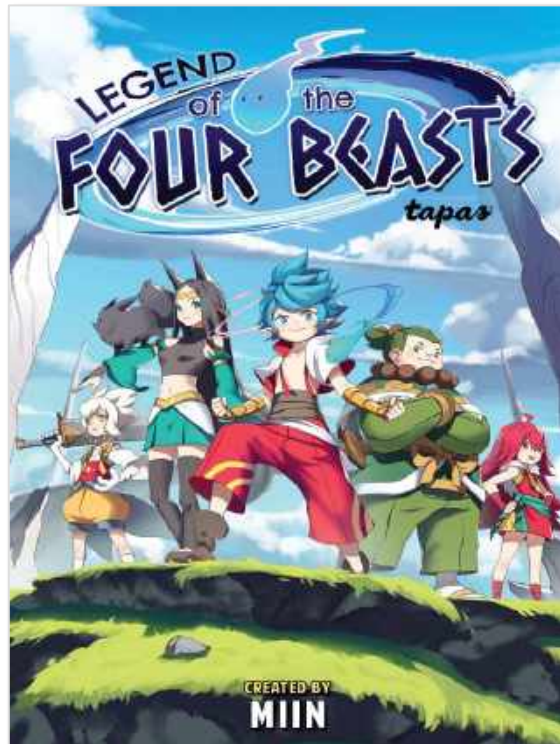
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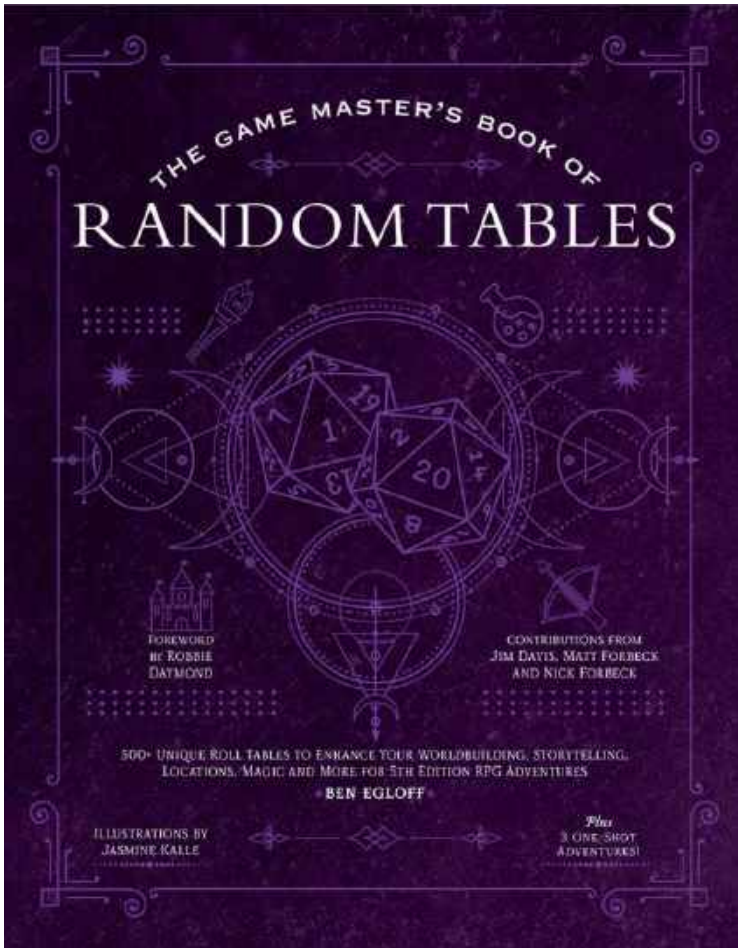


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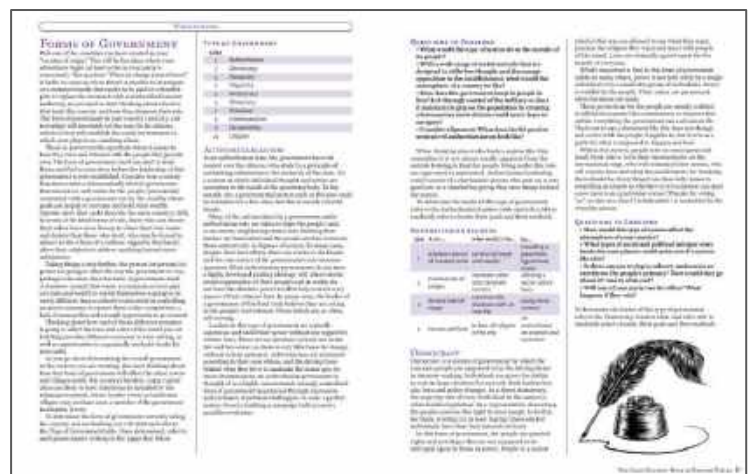


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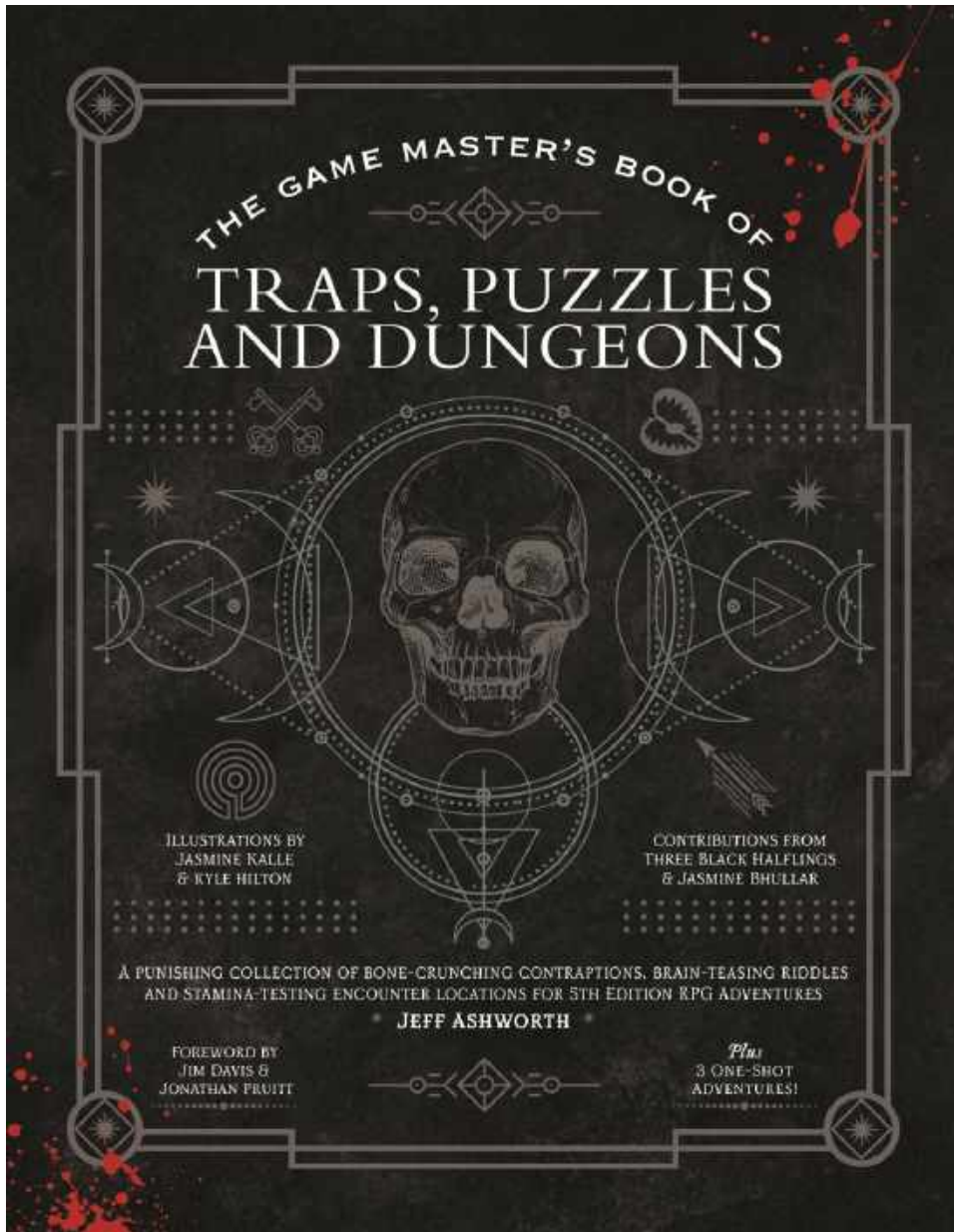
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Ben Egloff brings over 30 years of RPG obsession to bear in The Game Master’s Book of Random Tables. Self-described as a chronicler of the weird and fantastic, Egloff is a contributor to the bestselling books The Game Master’s Book of Non-Player Characters and The Game Master’s Book of Traps, Puzzles and Dungeons. He spends the majority of his time writing about the world around him. When he isn’t writing he enjoys spending his time playing make believe in the far-flung worlds of magic, fantasy, and science fiction through a variety of different TTRPG games, and board games. Egloff lives in Dayton, Ohio with his wife and two boys.

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TRAPS: COMPLEX TRAPS

THE PATH OF MOST RESISTANCE  
Complex trap (level 5-10, deadly threat)

Conversations about deadly traps within a dungeon are always about the splotchy-rippling pendulums or vials of acid obscured by illusory stone tiles. But what if the trap was the journey itself, man? You know, the traps we meet along the way? These were the meat-soaked ramblings of the odd but brilliant mind behind the Path of Most Resistance, a turntable-based trap that shifts in danger as creatures attempt to traverse it.

**TRIGGER & FLAVOR** Walking through this narrow hallway and its trigger beam activates the turntable built underneath it, spinning the pathway rapidly beneath the party's feet. A shining surge of purple light, a no longer invisible trigger beam, emanates from the ceiling, blocking the path forward. Each creature that walks through this beam will shift the turntable again.

As you walk further into this hallway, a steady beam of purple light suddenly shines brightly from the ceiling 10 ft ahead of you and over your shoulder, illuminating the area directly behind you. The floor beneath your feet begins to spin rapidly, and the bricks you were once standing on begin to rotate to your left as a tough of flame appears to shift under the wall to your right, aligning with the hallway as you try to scamper away.

INITIATIVE

The trap acts on initiative counts 20 and 10.

ACTIVE ELEMENTS

The Path of Most Resistance features two distinct elements: its Trigger Beam and its Turntable of Paths. These separate components affect each other in different ways.

**TRIGGER BEAM (INITIATIVE 20)** This ray of purple light is dormant and invisible until a creature walks into its path. Once a creature passes through the beam, it turns a brilliant shade of purple, illuminating a 10-ft. area of the path. When the beam's trajectory to the pathway is broken by a creature, a signal is sent to the Turntable of Paths, which spins at GM discretion as outlined on the Possible Path table below, revealing a new path.

On initiative count 20, the beam can target any creature within 120 ft. of the beam and fire a ray of sickness (+9 to hit). On a hit, the creature suffers 18 (4d8) poison damage and must make a DC 16 Constitution saving throw. On a failed save, they are also poisoned until the end of their next turn.

PATH TABLE

Each time the Trigger Beam breaks contact with the Turntable of Paths, at GM discretion (ex: a creature walks through it) roll 1d4. This roll reveals the new pathway that will spin into place as the Turntable of Paths rotates.

Table with 2 columns: 1d4, Path of... 1: ...No Resistance, 2: ...Fire and Blood, 3: ...Storm and Steel, 4: ...Oozes and Bruises

**TURNTABLE OF PATHS** The Turntable of Paths has four paths that are each 100 ft. long. They all feature different obstacles as detailed below.

- Path of No Resistance. This path is clear of impediments.
• Path of Fire and Blood. This path is a raging flame. Any creature that ends its turn on this path suffers 55 (10d10) fire damage. This path features evolved forms, as outlined in the dynamic elements section.
• Path of Storm and Steel. This path is a trench of continuous lightning. Any creature that enters the path or ends its turn there suffers 36 (8d8) lightning damage and must succeed on a DC 15 Constitution saving throw or become stunned until the end of its next turn. This path features evolved forms, as outlined in the dynamic elements section.
• Path of Oozes and Bruises. This path is a living organism with the properties of a gelatinous cube. It acts on Initiative 10. The path is 5 ft. deep and is difficult terrain. Any creature that ends its turn on this path suffers 21 (6d6) acid damage. A creature on this path when the Turntable of Paths rotates is knocked prone, is blinded and has no access to breathable air. These conditions end when the path rotates back into the chamber. This portion of the path has 250 hit points and AC 10. This path features evolved forms, as outlined in the dynamic elements section.

DYNAMIC ELEMENTS

The Turntable of Paths becomes more dangerous the longer the trap remains active.

**TURNTABLE OF PATHS (INITIATIVE 10)** This turntable spins each time the Trigger Beam ceases to shine upon the path. On initiative 10, the path undergoes a transformation if not exposed to the beam. If a path has already transformed but shifts again, it enters its final form.

- Path of No Resistance. This path is clear of impediments.



THE PATH OF MORE RESISTANCE This trap is triggered when a creature walks through this hallway and passes through its Trigger Beam, which turns purple and shifts the Turntable of Paths beneath the feet of any in the hallway. The walls of the hall remain fixed in place as four distinct paths move into place and are affected by the Trigger Beam. The paths become more dangerous the more they are exposed to the beam.

- Path of Fire and Blood. This path is a raging flame that begins to summon fire elements. Any creature that ends its turn on this path suffers 55 (10d10) fire damage. On initiative count 10, two fire elements spring forth and seek to drag any creatures they can into the flames.
Final Form. The path itself seems to breathe and flings fireballs at any creature with a pulse. On initiative count 10, this path can cast fireball II (5th level).
• Path of Storm and Steel. This path is a trench of continuous lightning and flying swords. Any creature that enters the path or ends its turn there suffers 36 (8d8) lightning damage and must succeed on a DC 15 Constitution saving throw or become stunned until the end of its next turn. On initiative count 10, two flying swords formed of steel and electricity rise from the path and menace any they can.
Final Form. The flying swords gain the ability to cast thunderous smite.
• Path of Oozes and Bruises. This path is a living organism with the properties of a gelatinous cube with a Strength of 20, and its pseudopod attacks are now +7 to hit. They deal an additional 10 (3d6) bludgeoning

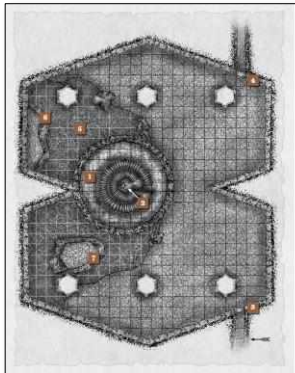
damage on a hit. The path acts on Initiative 10. The path is difficult terrain. Any creature that ends its turn on this path suffers 21 (6d6) acid damage. This portion of the path has 230 hit points and AC 10.
Final Form. This living path can move beyond the confines of the turntable up to 40 ft. per turn. It can use its engulf feature on up to three creatures at a time.

CONSTANT ELEMENTS

The Trigger Beam and Turntable of Paths (including any creatures summoned by the Trigger Beam) remain active until the Trigger Beam is destroyed or bypassed.

DISARMING

The Trigger beam can be destroyed. The beam's housing mechanism has an AC of 15 and 200 hit points. The Trigger Beam can also be commandeered. If a creature were able to access its arcane controls, they could disable the beam as well as automatically trigger the turntable to spin itself until their desired pathway becomes visible. This would require three successful DC 17 Dexterity (Thieves' Tools/Artificer Tools) checks, one to remove the plate hiding the controls, one to remove the lock mechanism that keeps undesirables from fusing with it and a final check to gain complete control over the Turntable of Paths.



The Tower of Hanoi

A tower of Hanoi puzzle consists of three vertical posts and three disks of different sizes that can slide onto any post. The puzzle is to move all the disks from the first post to the second post, obeying the following rules: (1) Only one disk can be moved at a time. (2) Each move consists of taking the upper disk from one of the posts and sliding it onto either of the other two posts. (3) No larger disk may be placed on top of a smaller disk.

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Rhymes & Riddles section containing various riddles and their answers, such as 'A creature made of rock and bone' and 'A creature that is not a creature'.



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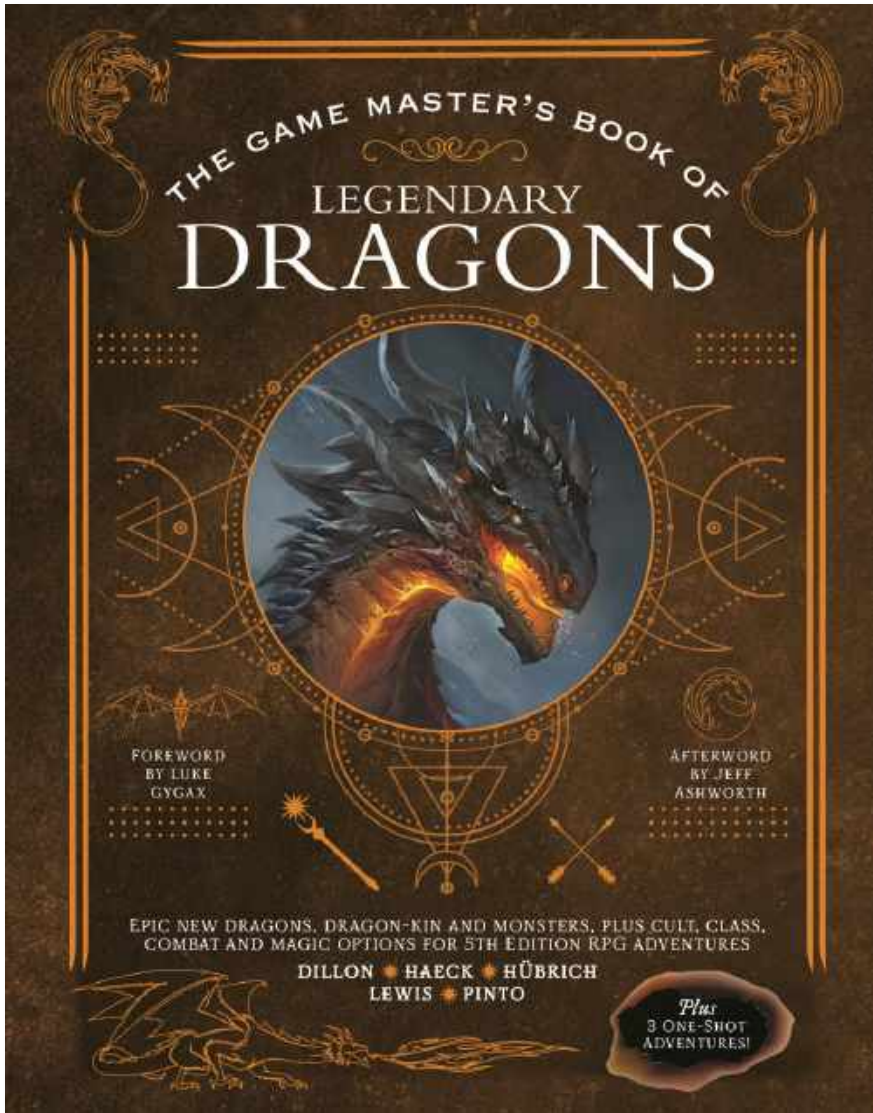
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DRAGONS

# VOLTHAARIUS, THE TRAVELER IN SILVER MIST

Volthaarius soars through the realm of thought and dreams, borne upon wings of silver and swirling light. A great, sleek form glimpsed in the last hint of twilight above a celestial forest and a deep echoing call above a fiendish battlefield in the lower planes. Few have seen the great dragon that slips between the folds of the multiverse, and fewer still know his name, but for those who learn of his existence, the secrets of all creation await. A few monks for the planar dragon circulate in occult halls of learning: The Traveler in Silver Mist, the Silver Pilgrim, the Rainbow Sage. In the most secluded of wizards' towers and temple scriptoriums, a few tomes whisper the dragon's name in fading ink—Volthaarius.

To the diligent or obsessed researchers who learn about Volthaarius, the planar dragon, he is a symbol of both knowledge and freedom. The boundaries between worlds are no barrier to his wandering, and he appears without seeming pattern or warning, in any corner of creation. When observed, he rarely stays long. Always on the move, the great silver and multi-hued wyrm is continuously searching. Ancient beyond record, Volthaarius's origins are lost to all but his own memory. He was once a silver dragon much like any other found in the myriad worlds of the material plane.

Like his kin, Volthaarius adored all things historical. And in his wandering youth, he amassed a vast hoard of treasure and knowledge. He collected the histories and trappings of empires and hid them away in his lair deep in the heart of a mountain. Unlike most silver dragons, however, he began to grow selfish. Never cruel, he merely lost his care for the mortals and gods whose stories he collected; instead he dedicated his great lifespan to the collection itself. As the years rolled on, the more relics he gathered and the more esoteric and strange his tastes became. He then turned his sights outward and began

searching for truths beyond the material plane and the mortals who dwell there. It was during this obsessive quest that Volthaarius became one with that which he sought. He has a name—or had one—but the very least, Volthaarius is sure of that much. Whatever his name might have been eludes him now. Whispering to him from trinkets and scraps of lore at first, the presence grew louder and more insistent the more he collected. The whisper became a voice both asking and offering. The statues were the final turn of the key that opened the lock. A consciousness vast beyond imagining from beyond the most distant stars slipped into the world, and offered the then-ancient miserly dragon the means to go anywhere, and collect anything if only Volthaarius would agree to bring it along. How could the obsessive old dragon refuse? This is when the silver dragon fully changed. His body stretched. His mind expanded. His nature became more obscured. His reach clawed between the planes themselves. He slipped into the murky expanse of the astral plane, and there Volthaarius and the presence he carried within his soul became one. They became something unique.

Centuries passed as the planar dragon soared through the astral plane, gathering the silver winds into his soul, moving through color pools to the outer planes and back again. Volthaarius stretched forth his will into the astral plane and re-wove a portion of it deep within the silver clouds for his own use. A single point of space folded on itself again, and again, and formed a realm the dragon now calls Refuge. Within Refuge, Volthaarius can shape substance out of the sky to his whim and needs. All the collected wealth and hoarded knowledge of his previous life now reside in an enormous central spire, carefully cataloged in a manner incomprehensible to any outside observer.

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DRAGONS

## GLITZ, THE RASCALLION

Large dragon, chaotic good

Armor Class 22 (natural armor)  
Hit Points 425 (34d10 + 238)

Speed 40 ft., burrow 40 ft., fly 80 ft.

STR	DEX	CON	INT	WIS	CHA
25 (+7)	16 (+3)	22 (+7)	30 (+10)	27 (+8)	30 (+10)

Saving Throws Dex +10, Con +15, Cha +18, Wis +16  
Skills Arcana +18, Deception +18, History +18, Insight +16, Perception +16, Persuasion +18

Damage Immunities fire  
Condition Immunities poisoned  
Senses blindsight 60 ft., darkvision 120 ft., passive Perception 26  
Languages Common, Draconic, Dwarvish, Elvish, Gnomish, Halfling  
Challenge 25 (75,000 XP)

**Amphibious.** Glitz can breathe air and water.  
**Legendary Resistance (5/day).** If Glitz fails a saving throw, he can count as succeeded instead.  
**Magic Resistance.** Glitz has advantage on saving throws against spells and other magical effects.  
**Magic Weapons.** Glitz's weapon attacks in all forms are magical.  
**Insane Spellcasting.** Glitz is an 18th-level spellcaster. His spellcasting ability is Charisma (spell save DC 25, +18 to hit with spell attacks). Glitz has the following spells prepared:

- Cantrip (at will):* mage hand, mending, prestidigitation, shocking grasp
- 1st Level (4 slots):* charm person, magic missile, detect magic, hideous laughter
- 2nd Level (3 slots):* detect thoughts, suggestion, arcane lock, arcane magic aura
- 3rd Level (3 slots):* dispel magic, counterspell, slow, hypnotic pattern, sending
- 4th Level (2 slots):* fire shield, greater invisibility, arcane eye
- 5th Level (2 slots):* dominate person, arcane hand, modify memory
- 6th Level (1 slot):* mass suggestion, irresistible dance
- 7th Level (1 slot):* prismatic spray, sequester
- 8th Level (1 slot):* mass mind blank
- 9th Level (1 slot):* ward

**ACTIONS**  
**Multiattack.** Glitz can use his Intoxicating Presence. He then makes three attacks: one with his bite and two with his claws.  
**Bite.** Melee Weapon Attack: +15 to hit, reach 15 ft., one target. Hit: +18 (2d10 + 7) piercing damage.  
**Claw.** Melee Weapon Attack: +15 to hit, reach 10 ft., one target. Hit: +18 (2d6 + 7) piercing damage.

**Tail.** Melee Weapon Attack: +15 to hit, reach 20 ft., one target. Hit: 16 (2d8 + 7) bludgeoning damage.  
**Intoxicating Presence.** Glitz unleashes a wave of alcoholic mist filling the area around him within 60 feet. Each creature within the affected area must succeed on a DC 21 Constitution saving throw. On a failure, the creature becomes poisoned and their vision is obscured to a range of 15 feet. A creature can repeat the saving throw at the end of each of their turns. If a creature's saving throw is successful or the effect ends for it, the creature is immune to Glitz's Intoxicating Presence for the next 24 hours.  
**Aura of Overwhelming Magnificence (Recharge 4-6).** A wave of prismatic energy erupts outward from Glitz and envelops every creature within 90 feet. Each creature within the affected area must make a DC 22 Charisma saving throw. On a failure, the creature falls under the influence of one of the following effects:

- 1. The creature falls unconscious.
  - 2-5. The creature takes 42 (12d6) psychic damage and becomes paralyzed until the end of Glitz's next turn.
  - 6-10. The creature takes 95 (10d6) psychic damage and becomes stunned until the end of Glitz's next turn.
  - 11-15. The creature takes 29 (6d6) psychic damage and becomes incapacitated until the end of Glitz's next turn.
  - 16-20. The creature takes 51 (6d6) psychic damage and becomes deafened and blinded until the end of Glitz's next turn.
- Creatures that succeed on the saving throw take half damage and suffer no additional effect.

**Change Shape.** Glitz magically polymorphs into a humanoid or metallic dragon that has a challenge rating no higher than his own. He reverts to his true form if the dice (a small colorful bird-like dragon). Any equipment he is wearing or carrying is absorbed or borne by the new form (Glitz's choice). In a new form, Glitz retains his alignment, hit points, Hit Dice, ability to speak, proficiencies, Legendary Resistance, lair actions and Intelligence, Wisdom and Charisma scores, as well as his action. His statistics and capabilities are otherwise replaced by those of the new form, except any class features or legendary actions of that form.

**LEGENDARY ACTIONS**  
Glitz can take three legendary actions, choosing from the options below. Only one option can be used at a time and only at the end of another creature's turn. Glitz regains spent legendary actions at the start of his turn.  
**Detect.** Glitz makes a Wisdom (Perception) check.  
**Ward.** Glitz can use his *spell of fireballs* or the *rod of absorption*.  
**Attack.** Glitz can make a melee attack against one target within reach.  
**Drinking (Half-Dose Action).** Glitz belches an alcoholic substance. Each creature within a 30-foot cone must succeed on a DC 22 Dexterity saving throw or take 14 (4d6) poison damage and become poisoned. On a successful saving throw, the creature takes half damage and is not poisoned.

Var'Alyn, and the general well-being of the community. These attachments open up many opportunities for adventure. Each of Glitz's businesses details an NPC that can be utilized as a quest giver to further a story within your campaign setting.

**TACTICS**  
If Glitz knows he is going to be attacked or raided, he begins combat *polymorphed* as a young dwarven child who is cleaning the brewery, or he will act like a scared elderly man and pretend to be hiding—yet visible to those entering his lair. Once combat begins, Glitz will use his Aura of Overwhelming Magnificence followed up by a spell or multiattack on the weakest-looking combatant. Glitz is no fool. He understands spellcasters and the differences between them and honest foes.

**WEALTH**  
Glitz's lair is filled with many tools and objects used to create potions, alms, etc. An adventurer can find multiple tool sets for brewers, blacksmiths and even thieves. In addition to the tools, his lair has a vast wealth of platinum, gold, silver and copper. There are also gems of varying worth scattered throughout his chamber. Glitz has a *ring of spell storing*, *rod of absorption*, and a *wand of fireballs* on him. His lair also has the following magical items: a *suit of mithril armor*, a *pearl of power*, an *immovable rod* and a *robe of useful items*.

**ROLE-PLAYING GLITZ**  
Glitz is a Legendary Dragon that may take the form of any metallic-type dragon. However, he has chosen the Bronze Dragon form for centuries. He is very fond of it, in part because it hides some of his noticeable girth. Glitz has taken on many forms throughout his life. However, he has cultivated several humanoid personas throughout that time. The characters below are his favorites.  
**Belmont Softshoe** A halfling male of average age and height with floppy, disheveled brown hair, tan skin and brown eyes. He generally wears dark brown or black clothing.  
**Dorn Stronghammer** An elderly dwarven male slightly shorter than average and rounder at the waist. His bald head gleams with sweat, and a long, braided suit and pepper beard hangs over his plump belly. His piercing blue eyes suggest a young, intelligent mind lurks beneath his aging features.  
**Analya Mesture** A young elven female with an athletic build and long platinum hair with strands of black, which hangs loosely over her shoulders. Her pale skin contrasts with her bright blue and yellow clothing. Various types of jewelry adorn her neck, wrists and fingers.  
**Marland Bacter** A middle-aged half-elf male with a muscular build. Short cropped dirty blonde hair is combed tightly against his head. Dark brown eyes peer

through gold-rimmed spectacles that rest comfortably on his nose. A deep blue vest covers his silky long sleeve white shirt, which is tucked into dark blue pantaloons pulled tightly around his soft black leather boots.  
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**GLITZ'S LAIR**  
Glitz can be encountered in his vast brew-making lair under the Dragon's Tavern.  
The lair can be mistaken for a massive alchemist's hall, built with cave and details that only a dwarf can appreciate. Upon closer examination, it becomes clear that all the equipment and areas are filled with dedicated brewing kettles, burners, large spoons, mash containers, clamps, etc. Everything is meticulously maintained and organized. The entire space is well lit, and the aromas of various brews fill the air.  
**LAIR ACTIONS**  
On initiative count 20 (losing initiative tie), Glitz takes a lair action to cause one of the following effects. Glitz can't use the same effect two rounds in a row.

- Thick steam fills the lair in a 60-foot radius around Glitz. Other than Glitz or his allies, each creature starting their turn in the steam must succeed on a DC 15 Constitution saving throw or be blinded. Creatures that succeed on their saving throw experience a mild alcoholic buzz. The steam lasts for two rounds and then fades away. This action may not be used again until the steam dissipates.
- Hot liquid begins to pour from kettles, filling the area with boiling hot water. Each creature within a 30-foot radius of Glitz must succeed on a DC 15 Dexterity check, taking 10 (3d6) of damage. Creatures that succeed take half damage.

**REGIONAL EFFECTS**  
The region containing Glitz's lair is blessed with good fortune, creating one or more of the following effects:

- Farmers within 10 miles of the lair receive double the average crop yields.
- Vendors who sell locally grown fruits and vegetables receive 25 percent more revenue compared to other towns.
- Citizens who reside within 10 miles of the lair for more than a week live 2d6 years longer than if living in comparable lands and also benefit from a +1 bonus to their Charisma and Constitution stats, provided they stay within 10 miles of Glitz's lair.

If Glitz dies, conditions of the area surrounding the lair return to normal after 1d10 days.

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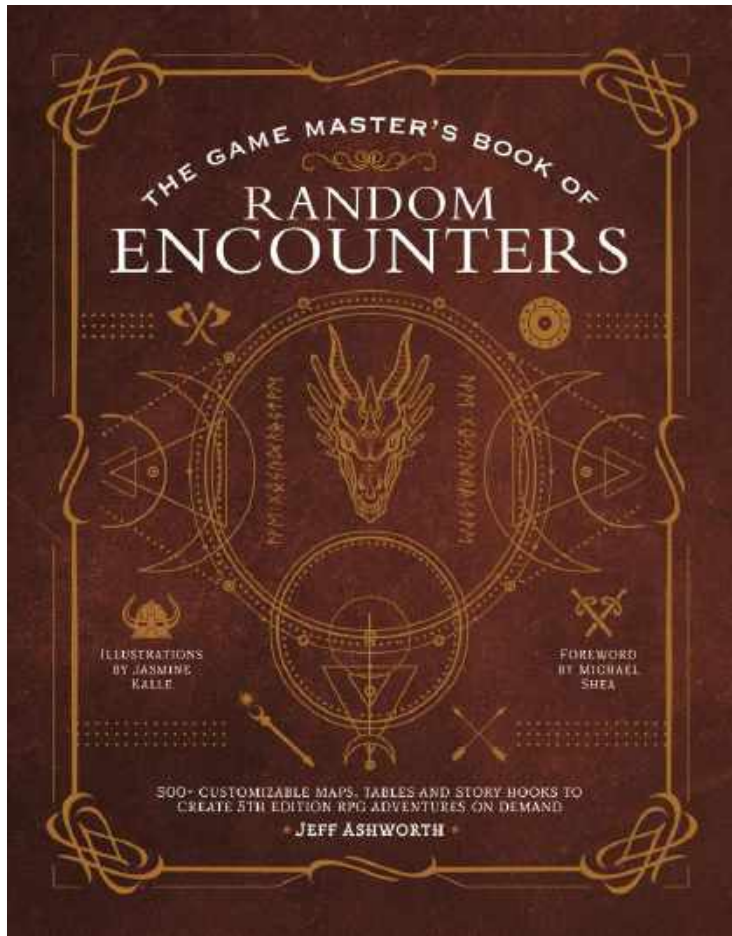
## ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Aaron Hubrich** is the CEO and Senior Editor of Conceptopolis, LLC., an award-winning art studio that provides creative services to many well-known companies such as Hasbro, Wizards of the Coast, Square Enix, Mattel, Sony, DC, Marvel and many more.

**Luke Gygax** is an author and game designer as well as an Executive Officer in the California Army National Guard. He is also the son of the late Gary Gygax, gaming icon and co-creator of the original Dungeons & Dragons tabletop roleplaying game.

# The Game Master's Book of Random Encounters

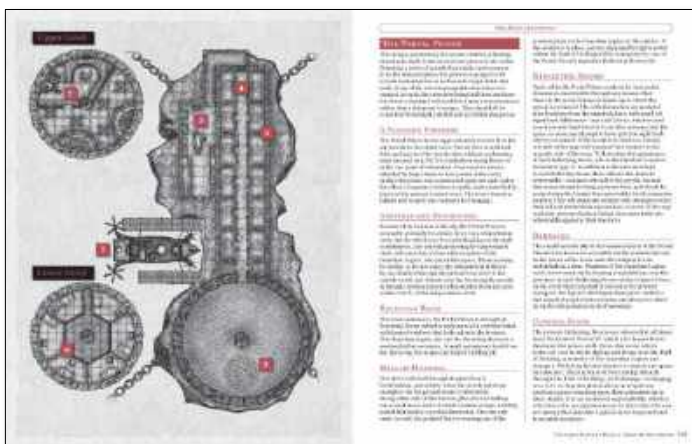
*More Than 600 Customizable Maps, Tables and Story Books to Delight, Inspire & Create Campaigns On-Demand*



FOR MANY TABLETOP RPG players, the joy of an in-depth game is that anything can happen. Typical adventure modules include a map of the adventure's primary location, but every other location—whether it's a woodland clearing, a random apothecary or the depths of a temple players elect to explore—has to be improvised on the fly by the Game Master. As every GM knows, no matter how many story hooks, maps or NPCs you painstakingly create during session prep, your best-laid plans are often foiled by your players' whims, extreme skill check successes (or critical fails) or their playful refusal to stay on task. In a game packed with infinite possibilities, what are GMs supposed to do when their players choose those for which they're not prepared?

*The Game Master's Book of Random Encounters* provides an unbeatable solution. This massive tome is divided into 20 location categories, each of which can stand alone as a small stop as part of a larger campaign.

Includes dozens of temples, taverns, ruins, labs, lairs, rooftops and more.

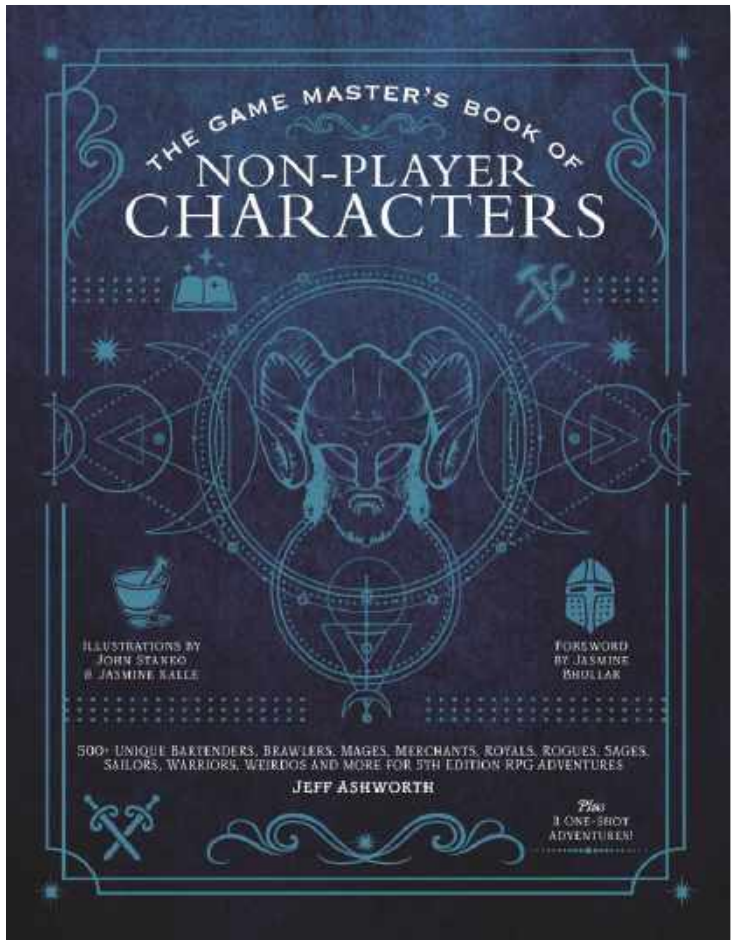


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# The Game Master's Book of Non-Player Characters

*500+ Unique Bartenders, Brawlers, Mages, Merchants, Royals, Rogues, Sages, Sailors, Warriors, Weirdos and More for 5th Edition PRG Adventures*

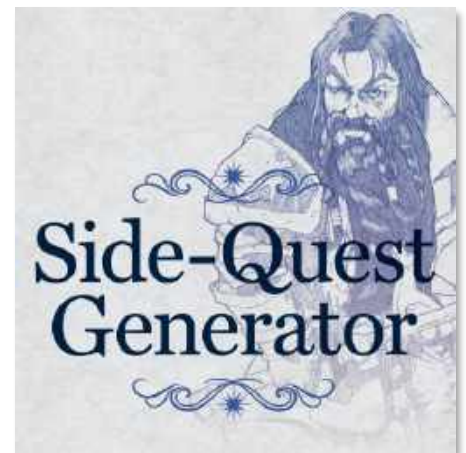


**FROM THE** #1 Best-Selling author, Jeff Ashworth comes the latest addition to the *Game Master* series, with more than 500 NPCs ready to populate your campaign whenever you need them!

As is often the case in tabletop roleplaying games, players venture into locales or look for answers in places and among people busy Game Masters simply didn't anticipate. Or, just as often, an adventure won't have fully fleshed out characters in place for the locations and encounters outlined for gameplay.

*The Game Master's Book of Non-Player Characters* solves these issues and more by providing Game Masters with the information they need to "fill in the holes" in their campaign play. It will enable GMs to instantly add depth, color, motivation and unique physical characteristics at a moment's notice to unexpected or underwritten characters as they pop up during gameplay, ensuring every session is a memorable one for players and GMs alike.

This edition also includes more than 50 hand-drawn illustrations of select NPCs detailed in the book, three bonus one-shot adventures and a foreword by online influencer Jasmine Bhullar.



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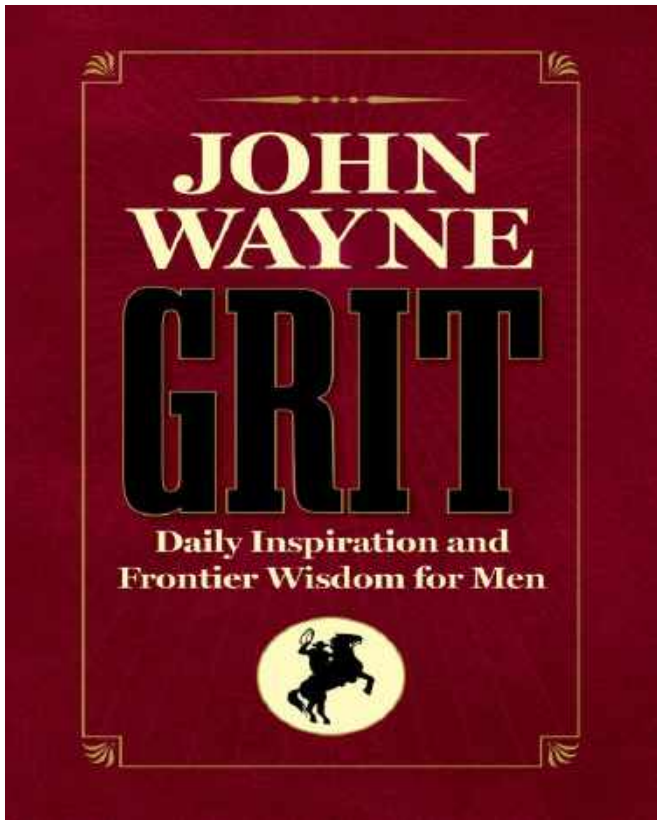
Inspiration/ Self Help





# John Wayne Grit

## Daily Inspiration and Frontier Wisdom for Men



**JOHN WAYNE GRIT** is a collection of lessons, affirmation and reflections for men inspired by the words and films of John Wayne. Each page begins with either a quote from John Wayne, a quote from one of his friends, family members or peers or an insightful summary of one of the key movies in his filmography.

The theme or idea suggested by the quote or summary is accompanied by a full-page exploration of the theme and how it might inspire, inform or otherwise enrich the reader's life. Entries will focus on everything from independence and self-sufficiency to family, fatherhood, courage and honor.

Readers will find something new to enrich their lives every day and make them better, stronger, more self-confident men.



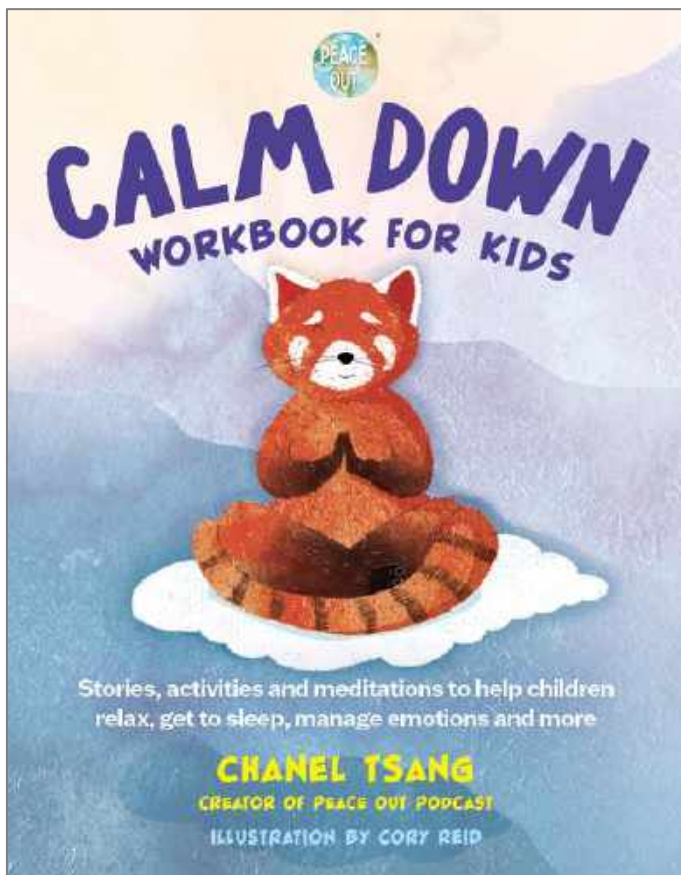
### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

The Editors of *The Official John Wayne Magazine* oversee the authorized bi-monthly guide to all things Duke, celebrating the life and legacy of one of America's greatest icons. Created with the help of the actor's youngest son, Ethan Wayne, and featuring exclusive photos, stories and memorabilia from the Wayne Family Archives, *The Official John Wayne Magazine* is the world's foremost authority on all things Duke.

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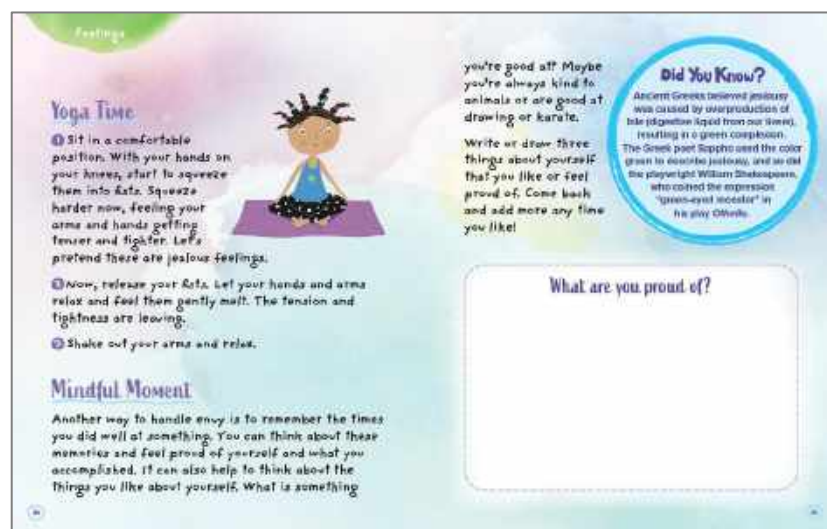
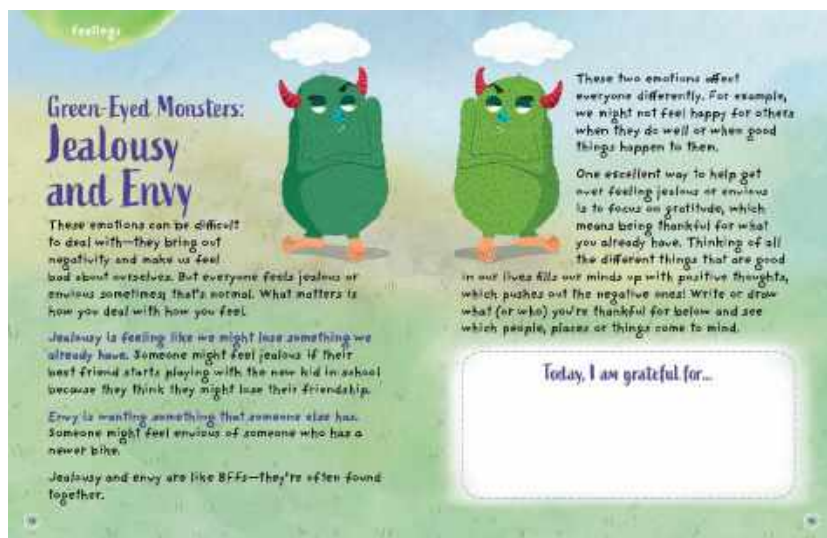
# Peace Out Calm Down Workbook For Kids

Stories, Activities and Meditations to Help Children Relax, Get to Sleep, Manage Emotions and More



Peace Out: Calm Down Workbook for Kids is a collection of relaxation stories for children that focuses on mindfulness and imagination to teach social-emotional skills. The vibe is calm and friendly, providing a safe space for kids to relax. The author speaks directly to her readers — children and their parents. Her approach has always been to speak to children as if they are curious and capable because they are! The book includes 40 small sections, with each section including a two page story designed to help kids calm down, relax and think creatively about various interesting subjects, followed by a yoga relaxation exercise and a mindful "moment" to help them control their thoughts and emotions.

**Chanel Tsang** is a Montessori teacher, yoga and mindfulness meditation teacher, and family support practitioner. She incorporates her 15+ years of experience working with children and families in the early years and education sectors to create the Peace Out podcast as a resource for teachers and parents who want to introduce social-emotional learning and mindfulness to their children.

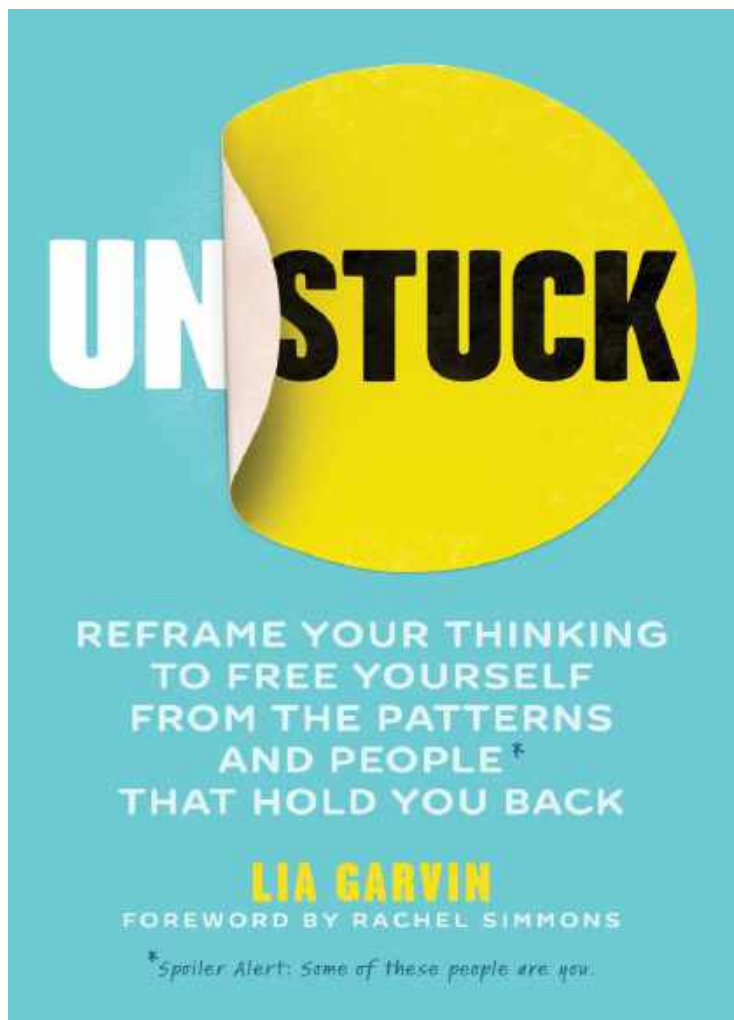


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# Unstuck

*Reframe Your Thinking to Free Yourself From  
the Patterns and People That Hold You Back*



## **Frustrated? Burned Out? Stuck? It's Time to Reframe**

**YOU KNOW** the drill. Work your ass off, second guess yourself, stress over all the details and watch others get ahead while you stand still. Or...you've landed that great position and your impostor syndrome won't let you enjoy it for two seconds. It sucks, you're tired of it and you want something different for yourself. But there's an unexpected reason it happens and a way we can take control.

*Unstuck* shows women how to harness the power of perspectives to re-envision and reinvent their approach to work and, well, life, to achieve more, stress less and overcome the barriers that stand in their way. With a fresh, no-holds-barred approach, Lia Garvin, executive coach and operations leader at influential companies including Microsoft, Apple and Google, provides you with the tools you need to nail the technique of reframing, helping you transform the way you manage conflict, feedback, negotiations, decision-making and more.

Learn how to speak up for yourself with confidence, silence your inner critic and open up a whole new realm of professional possibilities.

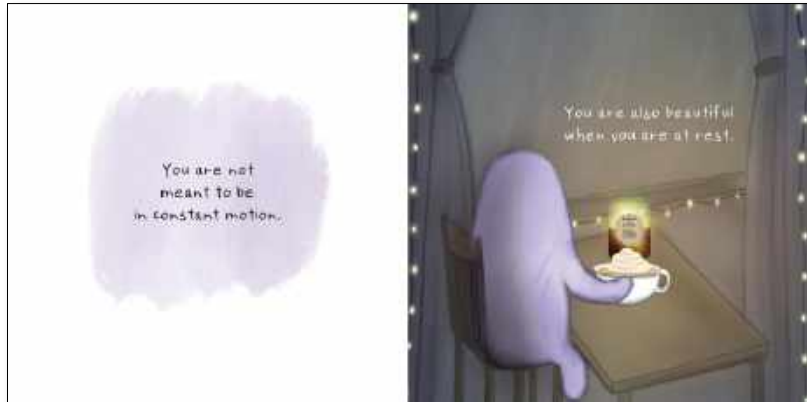
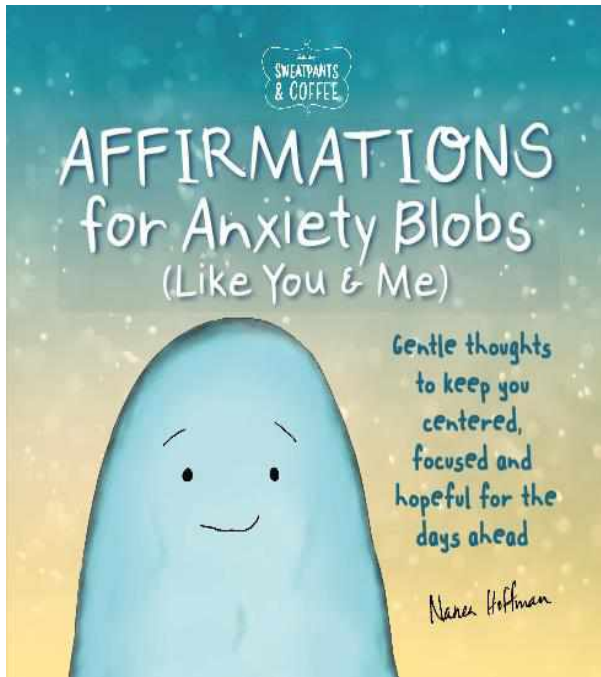
Jam-packed with persuasive research, compelling examples and confidence-building exercises, *Unstuck* will get you moving again in the direction you want at the speed you desire, no matter what—or who—is holding you back.

### **ABOUT THE AUTHOR**

**Lia Garvin** is an operations leader, speaker and coach on a mission to humanize the workplace, one conversation at a time. Through her writing, leadership coaching and savvy program management skills, she brings an authentic and irreverent sense of humor to teams to help them examine the challenges holding them back and focus on what matters. She has built robust diversity and inclusion programs, launched the world's first holographic computer, driven programs and initiatives around team inclusion and organizational effectiveness, and coaches people on how to drive impactful work and thrive working in tech. She was recognized by the National Diversity Council as a 2021 DEI Champion.

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# The Sweatpants & Coffee Anxiety Blob Book Series

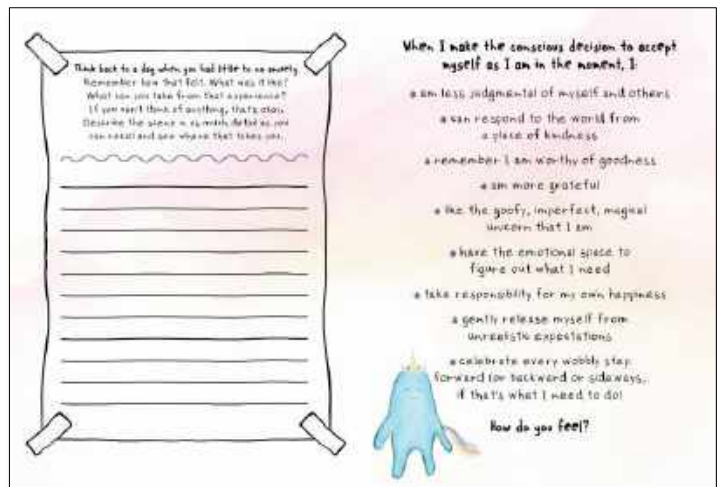
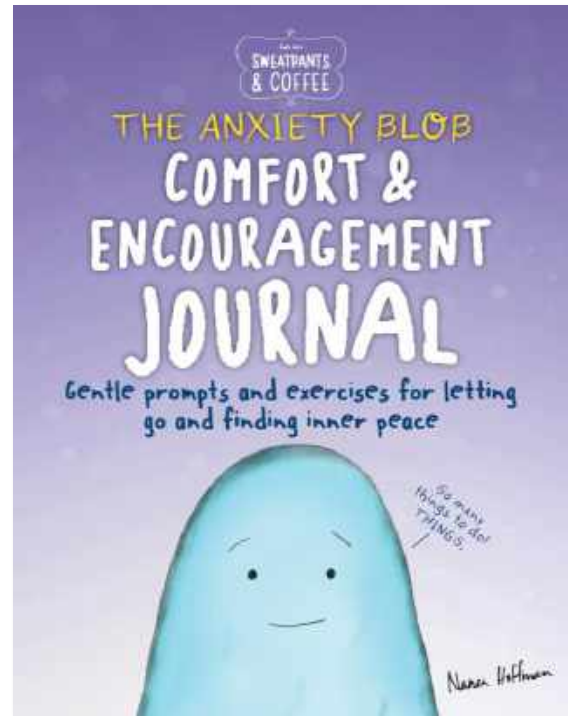


This official *Sweatpants & Coffee* book of affirmations will provide readers with the insights and advice they need to help calm their minds and manage their anxiety. It Includes Gentle thoughts to keep you centered, focused and hopeful for the days ahead.

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**THIS BEAUTIFUL**, full-color guided journal captures the gentle spirit of the wildly popular *Sweatpants & Coffee* community, already celebrated by hundreds of thousands of fans. Inside, founder Nanea Hoffman presents hundreds of prompts and exercises designed to gently coax readers to identify and examine their fears and anxieties, then work through those concerns one-by-one to help achieve a new state of calm, mindfulness and inner peace.

Illustrated throughout with Hoffman's popular "Anxiety Blob" cartoons and other hand-drawn elements, the *Comfort & Encouragement Journal* is a safe space to think about, explore, cry over and manage our struggles and the issues that make our lives more challenging but no less worthy of gratitude and grace.



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# The Everything I Need to Know I Learned From... (Book Series)

## Wisdom From America's Entertainment Icons



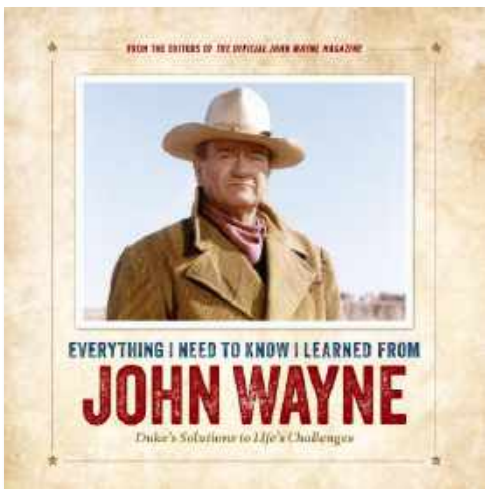
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**WITH A** television career spanning more than 80 years (the longest on record), she is one of America's most beloved entertainers, best known for her award-winning roles on *The Mary Tyler Moore Show*, *The Golden Girls* and *Hot in Cleveland*.



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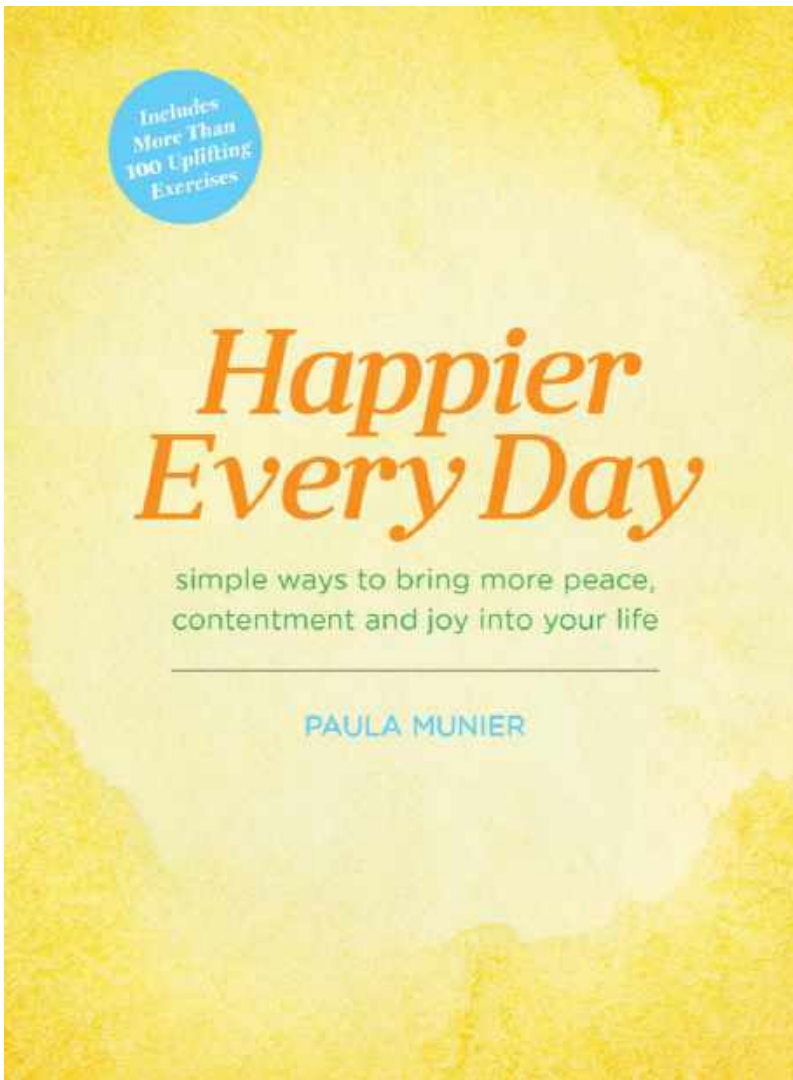


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**IN THIS** new book, John Wayne's personal code is transformed into practical guidance for readers who want to know how Duke would handle many of the real-life challenges they themselves are facing.

# Happier Every Day

Simple Ways to Bring More Peace, Contentment and Joy Into your Life



## It's Time to Focus on Being Happy

- Features more than 100 exercises designed to lighten your spirit
- Covers everything from yoga and decluttering to meditation and forest bathing
- Written by a *USA Today* bestselling author

**IN HAPPIER EVERY DAY**, author and yoga instructor Paula Munier details a simple yet comprehensive approach to cultivating happiness, including the most recent data and discoveries, all distilled into layman's terms. Readers will also find 100 practical, easy-to-implement exercises and activities that cover both the well-known (hygge, feng shui, law of attraction, yoga, decluttering, etc.) and more obscure techniques (forest bathing) for achieving happiness.

A joyful, lovely book, *Happier Every Day* can be picked up as needed to help calm one's heart or read from front to back as one would a daily devotional. It provides a sound beginning to each day, helping readers to put themselves in a state of mind where they'll be open to happiness.



## ABOUT THE AUTHOR

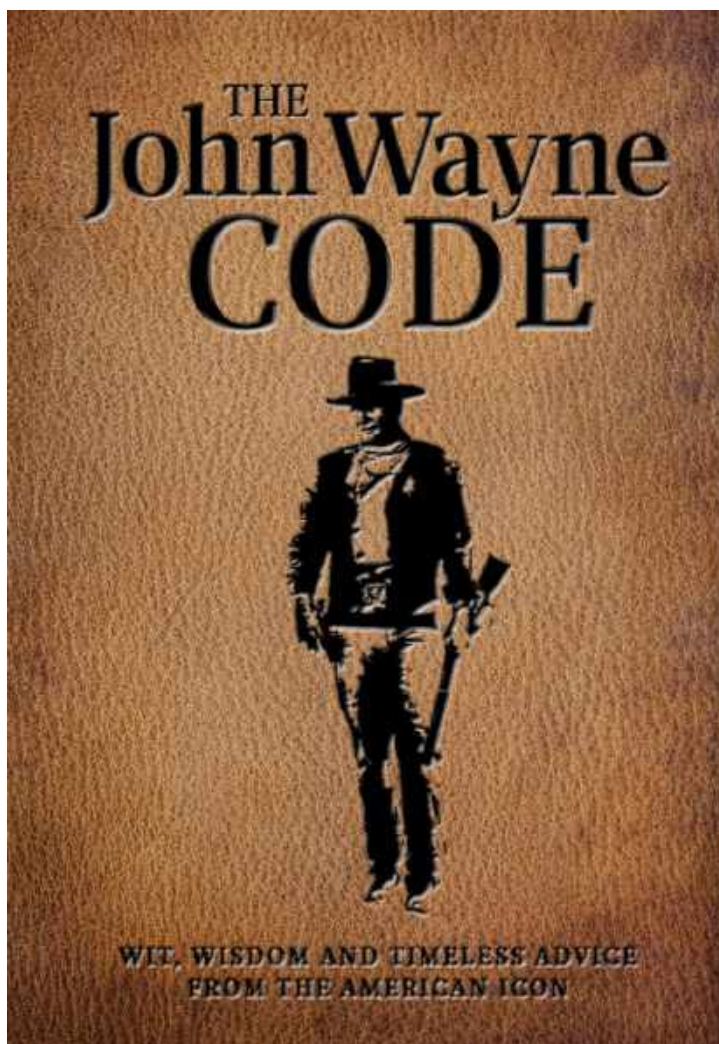
**Paula Munier** is a literary agent and the *USA TODAY* bestselling author of the Mercy Carr mysteries. *A Borrowing of Bones*, the first in the series, was nominated for the Mary Higgins Clark Award and was recently named the Dog Writers Association of America's Dogwise Book of the Year. The second, *Blind Search*, was published in November 2019. The third, *The Hiding Place*, debuted in March 2021.

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# The John Wayne Code

*Wit, Wisdom and Timeless Advice From the American Icon*



**FROM THE EDITORS** of *Duke In His Own Words*, this leather-bound collection of quotes, anecdotes and advice for living life like Duke makes a great gift for John Wayne fans.

John Wayne was more than a movie star. He was a symbol for everything good and decent about America, inspiring everyday people to reach just a little bit more and try a little bit harder. During his 72 years and more than 150 movies, John Wayne imparted a seemingly endless amount of advice, wisdom and good old-fashioned common sense to his audiences, and that wealth of knowledge has been collected together for the first time by the people who loved and knew him best.

*The John Wayne Code* is filled with the icon's most insightful quotes, personal stories from his family and friends and advice for how to be a better person. This personal collector's item encased in faux leather with gilded edges makes the perfect companion for any fan of Duke's who wants to make their life a little more legendary.

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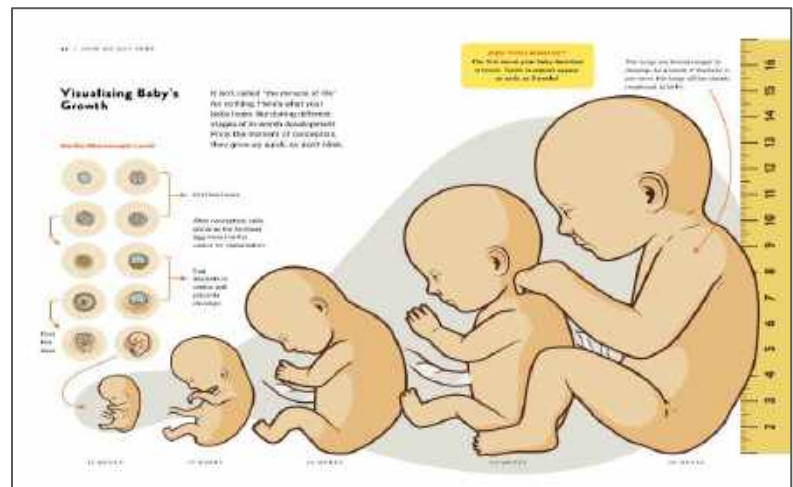
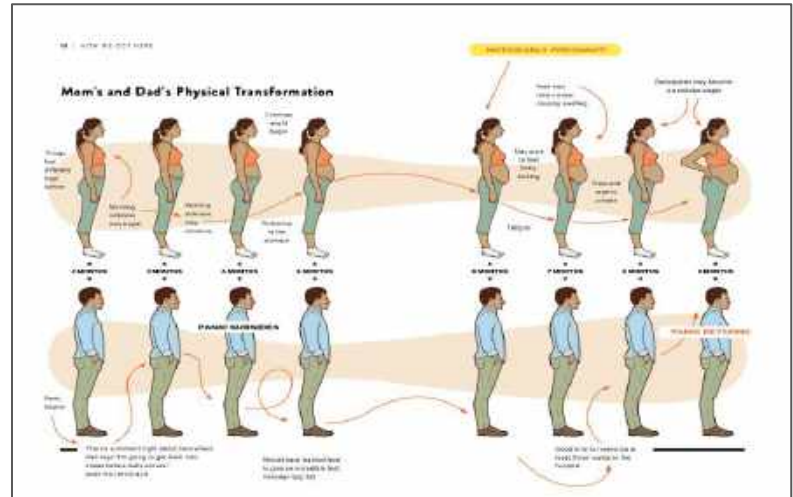
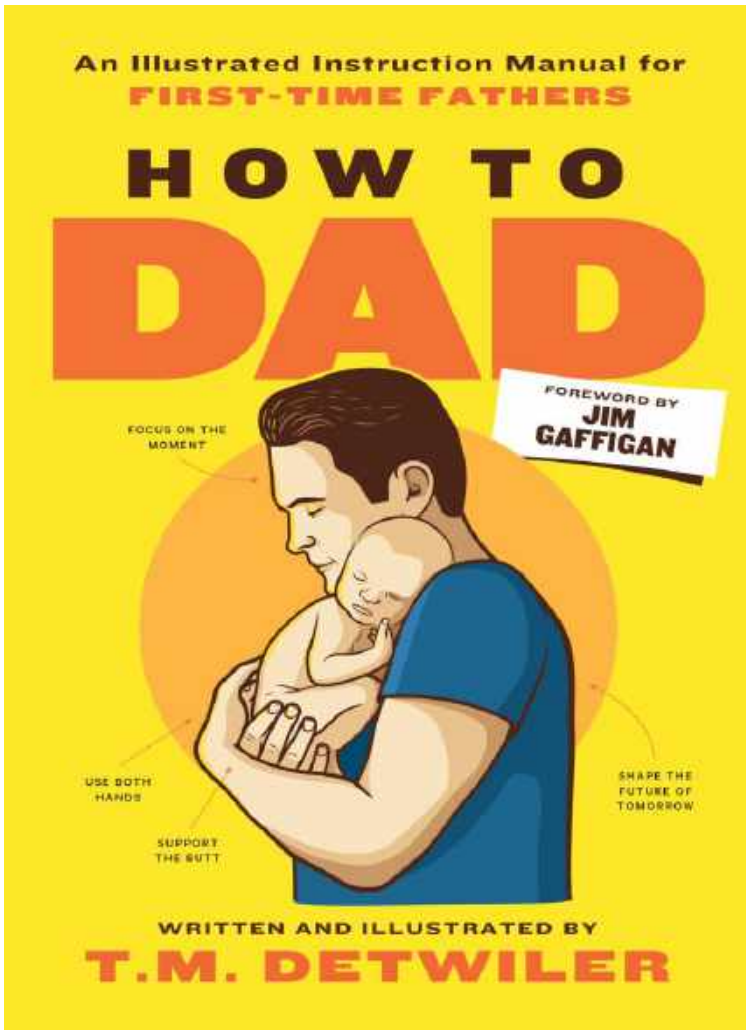
A night sky filled with stars and the Milky Way galaxy. In the foreground, there are silhouettes of evergreen trees and a campsite. A tent is illuminated from within, and a campfire is burning brightly, casting a warm glow on the surrounding grass.

# Reference & How-To



# HOW TO DAD

*An Illustrated Instruction Manual for First-Time Fathers*



In T.M. Detwiler's stunning new book, *How to Dad*, new and soon-to-be fathers will discover hundreds of tips, tricks and advice for mastering everything they need to know from conception through the end of the child's first year. The book details every major event or new challenge during this time in chronological order and provides dads with fast, easy-to-understand answers the moment they're needed.

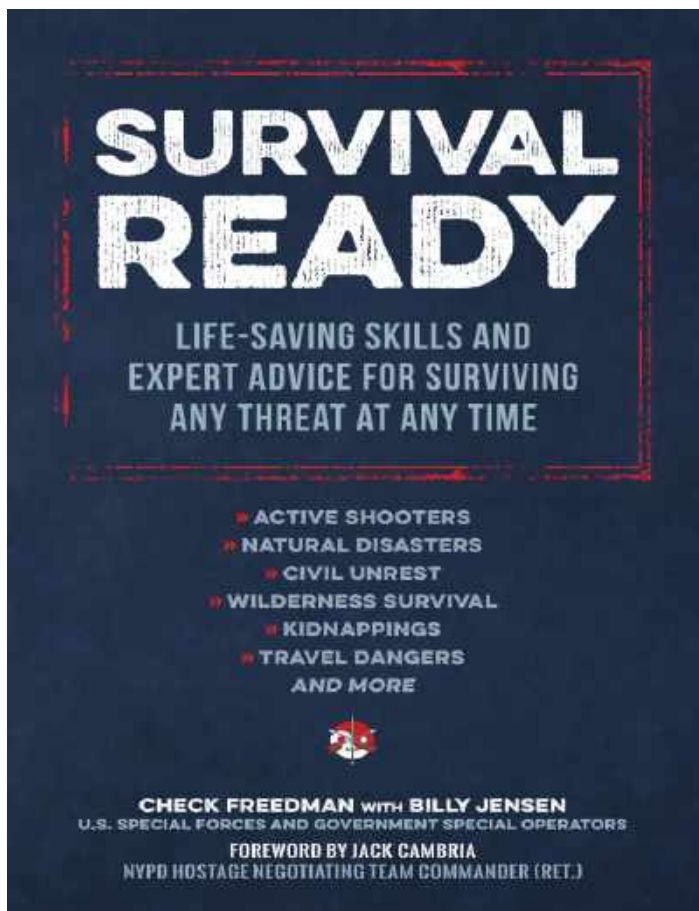
By putting the focus on the visuals, *How to Dad* explains the ins-and-outs of fatherhood with concise simplicity and engaging humor, certain to keep fathers engaged, entertained and learning like a pro.



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# SURVIVAL READY

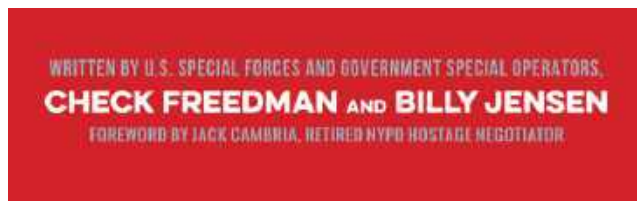
*Life-Saving Skills and Expert Advice for Surviving Any Threat at Any Time*



**NO MATTER WHAT** situation you find yourself in, having the knowledge and skills to protect yourself and your family is now more important than ever.

Learn how to help ensure your survival and safety under any circumstances. This book is packed with skills and lessons in situational awareness, personal protection, travel security and critical thinking. Learn how to think like trained military and intelligence operatives and arm yourself with the tools to meet and conquer any situation. Check Freedman and Billy Jensen draw upon decades of personal experience in surveillance, counter surveillance, anti-terrorism tactics, survival, evasion, resistance, escape, armed and unarmed combat and much more.

From pandemics and riots to active shooters and other survival situations, *Survival Ready* presents hundreds of lessons to help ensure your safety, no matter what circumstances you might find yourself in.



## ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Check Freedman** is the COO of Captive Audience Prevention Training and Recovery Team. She has decades of operational experience including executive protection of clients in overseas locations, surveillance, counter surveillance, survival, evasion, resistance, escape and armed and unarmed combat. Freedman is currently the NHQ, Senior Program Manager for Critical Incident Stress Management and Resiliency for the United States Air Force Auxiliary (Civil Air Patrol).



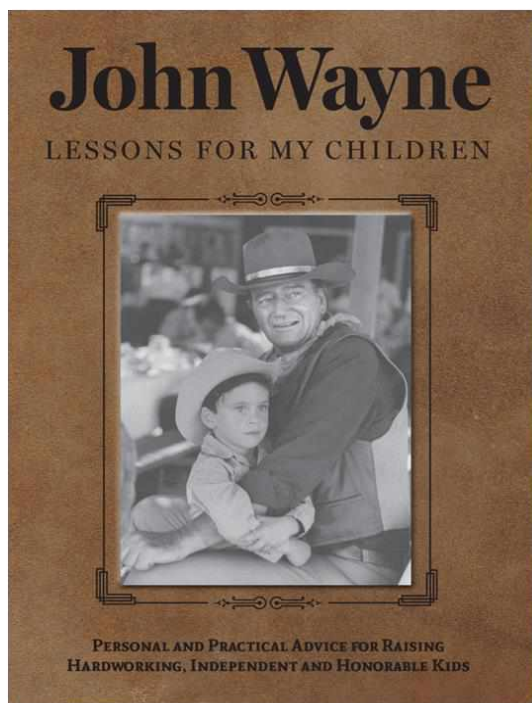
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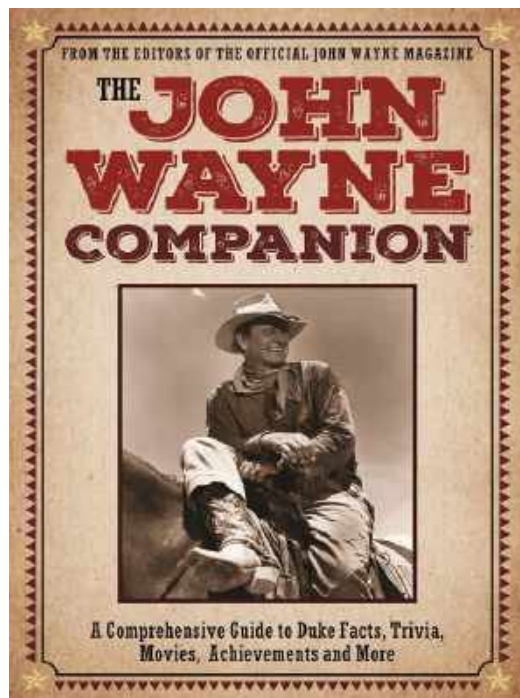
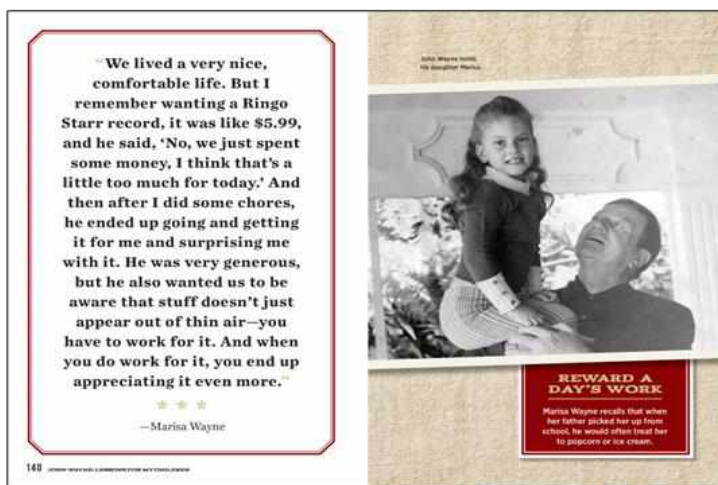
# The Official John Wayne

## Reference Books



Lessons for My Children examines how Wayne used his beliefs to raise six lively kids into successful young adults and how those lessons might be used by readers to help guide their own sons and daughters. Packed with reminiscences and anecdotes from Duke's children (including a foreword and an afterword), quotes and personal stories from Duke himself and analyses of key scenes from Duke's films, plus hundreds of touching, rousing and inspiring photos from Duke's family life as well as his films, John Wayne: Lessons for My Children is a perfect gift for dads and Duke fans everywhere

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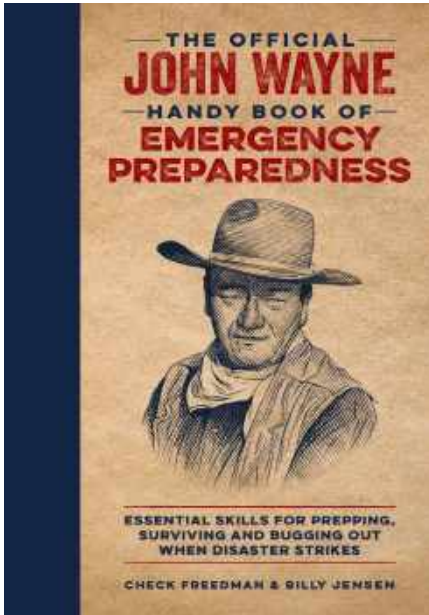


This comprehensive reference collects all of the most compelling facts, figures, checklists, trivia, movie information and more in one place for the super-Duke enthusiast. It's an unmatched collection of John Wayne information - a first for fans of Duke, providing more insights and Wayne-related fun than any other such book. Not only will you find thousands of fascinating bits of information about Duke himself, but you'll also find a complete John Wayne filmography detailing each of his 169 films, along with more than 300 photos of Duke in action.

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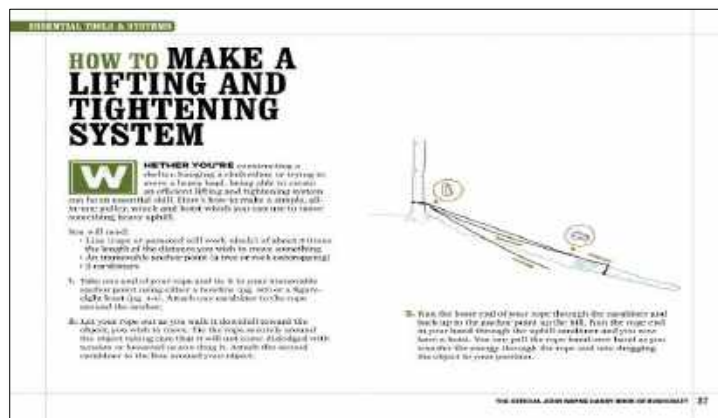
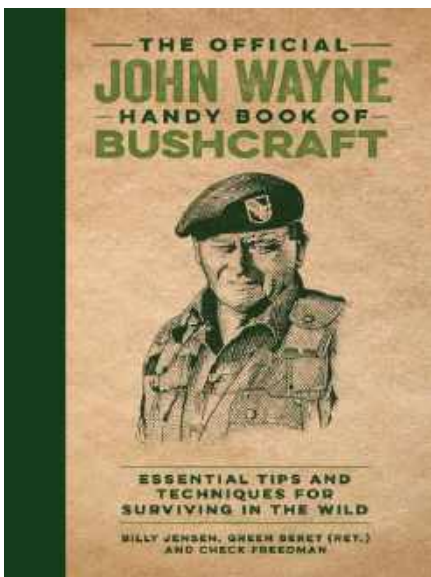


# The Official John Wayne Handy Book Series



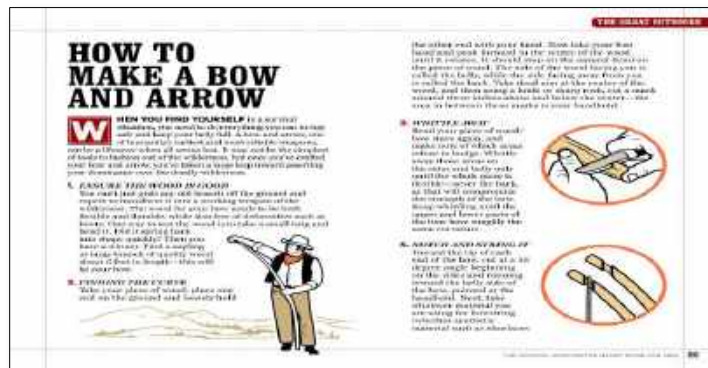
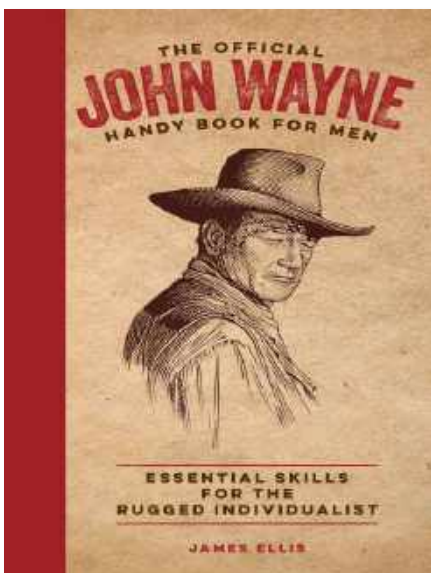
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Protect your family. Survive the worst that man – and **Be ready for anything** nature - have to offer. If there's one thing John Wayne admired, it was someone who could stand on their own two feet and take care of themselves no matter what the day might bring. In his films, he played everything from explorers of the western frontier to self-sufficient men who understood how best to handle even the worst disasters that nature or man could throw at them.



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**THIS OFFICIAL** book, written by a former Green Beret, details 100 life-saving techniques for surviving in the wild, capturing the frontier spirit of John Wayne on every page with dozens of photos. Includes 100 tips and techniques for surviving in the wild on your own and step-by-step illustrations throughout, plus fun photos of Duke tackling the wild in films and in real life.



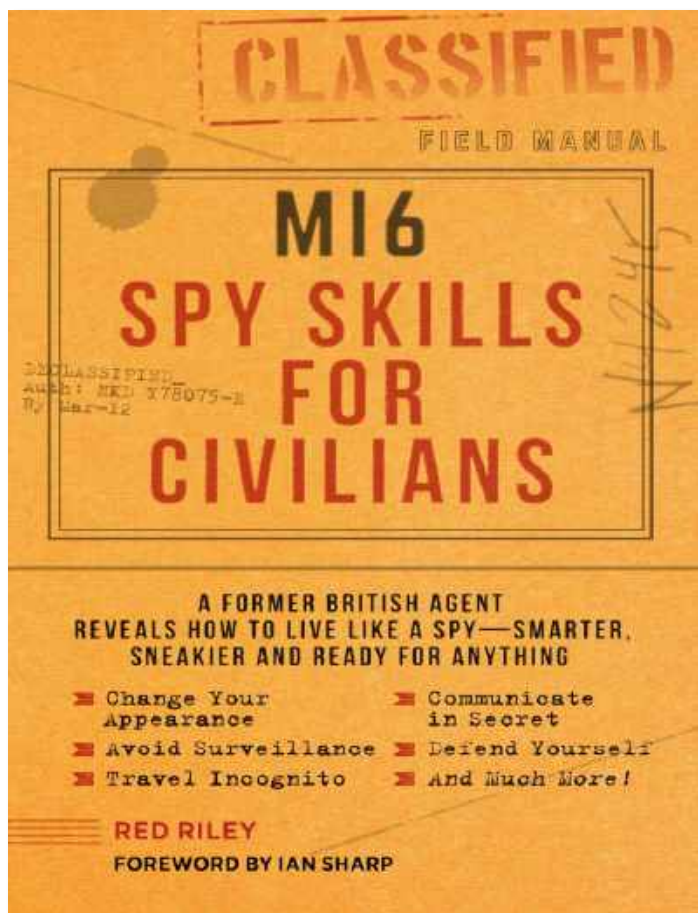
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**FILLED WITH** step-by-step advice and real-world examples, this book illustrates dozens of essential skills, including tying a tie, riding a horse, throwing a punch, getting a clean shave, talking to women, instilling good values in one's children, writing the perfect thank you note, saving a drowning person, orienteering, building a fire and much more. Includes hundreds of line illustrations, sidebars and photos of Duke in action.



# MI6 Spy Skills for Civilians

*A Real-Life Secret Agent Reveals How to Live Safer, Sneakier and Ready for Anything*



## ABOUT THE AUTHOR

**Red Riley** joined the British Army at the age of 18. After basic training, he volunteered for Pilot Training and qualified as an operational helicopter pilot going on to serve in Germany, Northern Ireland, Canada, Belize and Cyprus. At the age of 36, he left the Army Air Corps and transferred to the SAS. In 1980, Riley was a member of the United Kingdom Counter Terrorist team, which laid siege to the Iranian Embassy taken over by heavily armed terrorists later that year. In 1982, Riley escaped internment in Chile during the Falklands War as part of an audacious top-secret attempt to attack the Argentinian mainland. In 1989, when Riley left the army, he was quickly recruited by MI6 where he served until 2015. His autobiography, *Kisses from Nimbus*, was published in 2017. Riley and his wife Carol now split their time between homes in Manchester, England, and the Mediterranean island of Mallorca, Spain.

**Ian Sharp** is an English film and television director. Widely admired for his television and film work, he is perhaps best known as the second unit director of the James Bond classic *Goldeneye* starring Pierce Brosnan. His work on that film's action sequences are considered among the best in the series.

**MI6 SPY SKILLS FOR CIVILIANS** teaches readers how to master the skills of James Bond to excel in every area of their lives. Inside they'll find dozens of real secret agent skills detailed and explained, often with step-by-step illustrations to clarify how they're done. Sections covered include surveillance on foot and from a vehicle, safe travel tips, dead letter boxes, brush contacts, self defense basics, intelligence gathering, subterfuge, insertion and extraction techniques and more!

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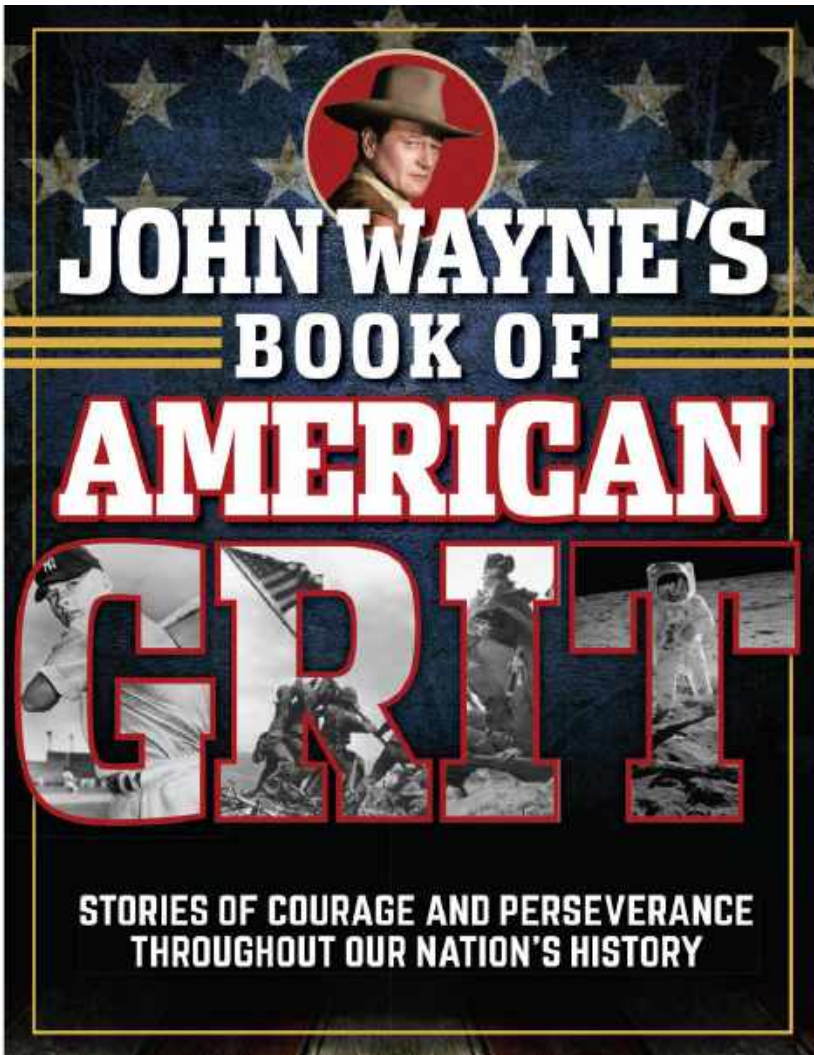
A top-down view of a wooden desk. On the left, a black pen with a silver band lies diagonally. Below it, a magnifying glass with a black handle and frame is positioned over a spiral-bound notebook with a brown cover. To the right of the notebook is a small potted aloe vera plant with green, pointed leaves. In the upper right corner, a stack of papers or a book is visible, with some text on the pages. A blue rounded rectangle is overlaid on the left side of the image, containing the word "Nonfiction" in white text.

Nonfiction



# John Wayne's Book of American Grit

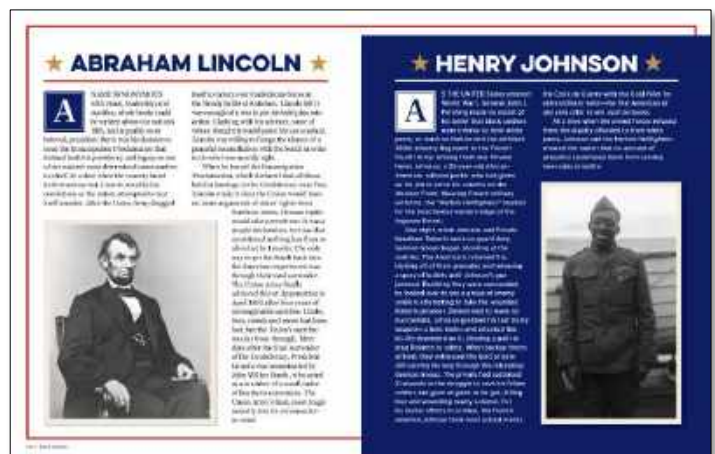
## Stories of Courage and Perseverance Throughout Our Nation's History



**A CELEBRATION** of American courage and tenacity, this sumptuous visual history details the stories of more than 125 of our nation's most gutsy and resolute citizens—those who overcame extraordinary odds through faith, will and guts—from George Washington and Helen Keller to Jim Lovell, Jackie Robinson and many more, both famous and lesser-known.

Each chapter opens with a feature on John Wayne, highlighting a specific trait of "grit," then examines dozens of other American legends who exhibited that same attribute in awe-inspiring fashion. A fun, fascinating book celebrating American optimism, patriotism and good old-fashioned bootstrap determination.

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# Duke: The Official John Wayne Movie Book



**THIS BEAUTIFUL** book is a celebration of John Wayne and the films he made. Filled with illuminating insights and behind-the-scenes stories, this book details all 169 of Duke's movies, from long forgotten gems to Hollywood classics that made John Wayne into the world's biggest movie star. You'll also find hundreds of gorgeous full-color and black-and-white photos from the set, along with movie posters, lobby cards, costumes, collectibles and more, including a number of full-spread photos that showcase Duke in all his wide-screen glory.

For general movie fans or die-hard Duke-lovers, this book is a fantastic showcase of a film legend and his work. **Ann-Margret**, the legendary actress and Duke co-star, provides a foreword. **Leonard Maltin**, one of the country's most respected, recognizable film critics, provides an afterword.

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• HOLDING HIS CRAFT •

"Missed you?  
I can't work,  
can't think,  
can't even  
read a report!"

—JOHN WAYNE AS JOHN REYNOLDS

**Lady from Louisiana**

RELEASE 1941  
DIRECTOR: BERNARD VORHAUS

IN THE SCOTTELEIN-FIELD romance *Lady from Louisiana* (1941) director Bernard Vorhaus, John Wayne stars as John Reynolds, a smacking lawyer investigating the suspected rigging of a 19th-century lottery in The Big Easy. Filled with themes of corruption on a grand and topped off with a pair of near-cosmic levers, the film's imaginative tale and fish-out-of-water role for Duke make it an early standout in the legend's extensive career.

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**The Shepherd of the Hills**

RELEASE 1941  
DIRECTOR: HENRY HATHAWAY

UNDER THE DIRECTION of Henry Hathaway—who would direct Duke in his Oscar-winning role in *True Grit* (1969) decades later—John Wayne turned in a memorable performance as the brooding Max Matthews in this Midwestern drama. An Ozark Mountain orphanhood, Matthews is obsessed with finding and killing the father he never knew, who abandoned Matthews' recently deceased mother, Dorothea. Matthews also comes face to face with his father, who turns out to be the benevolent rancher Daniel Baxter (Harry Carey). In addition to the weight of a father-son conflict, the casting is particularly significant given John Wayne's admiration of Harry Carey. The actor served as a major influence on Duke, who credits Carey with inspiring him to pursue the grittier type of cowboy character he would come to perfect throughout his career. In the eyes of critics, John Wayne had already learned a lot in his young career by the release of *The Shepherd of the Hills*. Henry writes that Duke "handles himself with exceptional ability in the young Clint Eastwood, while the Motion Picture Herald" noted, "The entire cast is excellent, with top honors going to John Wayne for his top job to date."



John Wayne in *The Shepherd of the Hills* (1941).

• CINEMA SPOTLIGHT •



there, but on his ride away from the homestead, he runs straight into an ambush set by Angie's husband Ed (Lee Gordon), who recognizes Hondo's steel and takes him for a fight. Hondo kills Ed in self-defense, not realizing that he's Johnny's father and he took a picture of the boy on Ed's corpse.

Though Hondo's rounded up by Apache raiders, he looks out when Chief Vintona (Michael Pata) finds the photo of Johnny on his person. Before long, he pledges not to harm Johnny and Angie, the chief releases Hondo. But the Apaches led by a jealous second-in-command, Siva (Rodolfo Acosta), don't think this cavalry officer should get off easy after what the Army has done to his people. This results in a battle that between the two. Hondo comes out on top but spurs Siva's life. This act of mercy turns out to be a grave mistake as the ruthless Siva murders Hondo's dog. When the Apaches lead a wounded Hondo to Angie's doorstep, believing him to be her husband, Angie goes along with the mistake in order to save the wounded cavalryman's life. As Hondo tries to lead Angie and Johnny safely out of the settlement, he is confronted by Siva, who has killed Chief Vintona to become the new leader of the Apaches. Hondo, fortunately, is quiet

1. Duke, Geraldine Page, Tom Mix and Ward Bond in *Hondo* (1953). 2. Duke in a scene from the film.



to the draw, and he beats Siva away once and for all. As the Apache intend to choose a new chief, Hondo, Angie and Johnny plan to make a new go of it in another town. With its roller-coaster story that pushed the Western genre's boundaries, *Hondo* made a lasting impact. In his book *A Pictorial History of the Western Film*, William K. Everson called Hondo "TV probably the best John Wayne vehicle yet made by John Ford." Duke's innate goodness casts the classic character in a sympathetic light as a flawed gunslinger trying to do the right thing, rather than a drifter seizing an opportunity with another man's wife. Geraldine Page, who had never starred in a feature film prior to *Hondo*, also made a big impression on audiences. The up-and-coming actress' performance impressed members of the Academy enough to be nominated for Best Supporting Actress. But behind Duke and Page's superb performance was the pen of James Edward Grant and his interpretation of L'Amore's story, although his name might not ring as many bells as his legendary friend John Wayne. Grant was responsible for penning the scripts of many of Duke's classics, including *The Alamo* (1960) and *Rooster's Nest* (1963). Two other frequent collaborators in Duke's life also worked on the film: Ward Bond, who played Hondo's father, and McLennan (1963) director Andrew V. McLaglen, who served as Unit Production Manager.

3. John Wayne, Ward Bond and James Arness on the set of *Hondo* (1953). 4. A mug gifted to the film's animal trainer Russ Westervelt. 5. John Wayne between takes.

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**ABOUT THE AUTHOR**

The Editors of *The Official John Wayne Magazine* publish the only authorized periodical devoted to the life and legend of "Duke" Wayne, with a circulation of more than 150,000 copies worldwide. Their other books include the bestselling *John Wayne: Made in America*, *The Official John Wayne Handy Book for Men*, *The John Wayne Code* and *Everything I Need to Know I Learned from John Wayne*, among others.

# The Official John Wayne Big Book of Dad Jokes

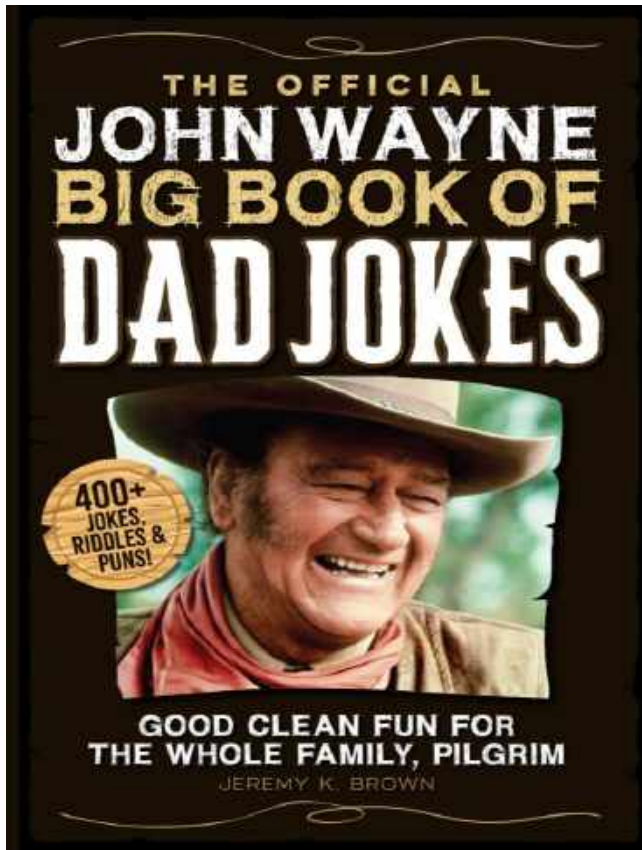
*Good Clean Fun for the Whole Family, Pilgrim*

## Some Good, Some Bad, Some Awful, But All Funny...

FROM GIVING as good as he got at the Harvard Lampoon to his comedic work in such films and TV shows as *Donovan's Reef*, *North to Alaska*, *Rowan & Martin's Laugh-In*, *I Love Lucy*, *Dean Martin Celebrity Roast* and *The Red Skelton Hour*, John Wayne was never shy about exhibiting his wry, knowing sense of humor.

It's this facet of Duke that *The Official John Wayne Big Book of Dad Jokes* captures. A father of six children himself, Duke was no stranger to making kids crack up (or at least trying to).

This book presents those stories of Duke as practical joker as well as willing victim, embedded within more than 400 clever yet dreadful jokes, stories, riddles and puns. Perfect for family members of every age! Some of the jokes are Duke- and Western-themed, but most are simply good, original Dad jokes: Some good, some bad, some awful, but all funny.



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ESSAYS ON THE  
★ LEGEND'S ★  
FUNNIEST FILMS  
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★ EXCLUSIVE ★  
(AND HILARIOUS)  
QUOTES FROM  
DUKE'S FAMILY

★ FEATURING ★  
RARE PHOTOS  
AND PRICELESS  
ANECDOTES

Readers will also find inside nearly three dozen fun photos of Duke exhibiting his good humor for all to see, laughing with his kids or fellow actors on set and behind the scenes, making this book a treasure for fans and fathers alike.



# A FEW FOR THE ROAD



John Wayne in *The Undefeated* (1969).

ALRIGHT, PILGRIM, BEFORE YOU HIT THE TRAIL, SADDLE UP WITH A FEW OF THESE CLASSIC "DAD" JOKES.

WHEN is a cat not telling the truth?  
*When he's a lion*



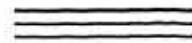
DID YOU HEAR about the man who drowned at the chocolate factory?  
*Mourners say he was the sweetest man in town.*



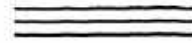
HOW CAN you call up an oyster?  
*On a shell phone*



WHAT DO you call a train full of dentists?  
*The Molar Express*



DID YOU HEAR about the dolphin who splashed water at the people on shore?  
*It seems he did it on porpoise.*



WHY DID the melons get married in a church?  
*Because they cantaloupe*

## CINEMATIC JOKES



John Wayne and other stars in *The Quiet Man* (1950).

ALRIGHT, PILGRIM, HERE'S A BEVY OF ONE-LINERS AND PUNS INSPIRED BY SOME OF DUKE'S MOST FAMOUS FLICKS!

### —THE QUIET MAN—

MUCH LIKE THE FILM'S LEADING MAN, THESE JOKES PACK A PUNCH, AND A TOUCH OF THE IRELAND SPIRIT.

WHAT did the one-eyed Irishman say when asked if he could still see?  
*"Eyes!"*



WHAT do you call a cubic zirconium in Ireland?  
*A sham rock*



WHAT is a boxer's favorite part of a joke?  
*The punch line!*



A BOXER goes to see his doctor because he's having trouble sleeping.  
"Have you tried counting sheep?" the doctor asks.  
"I tried," the boxer explains, "but every time I get to nine I stand up!"



WHAT do you call someone who can't look in the rear?  
*Back!*



## GOOFIN' BETWEEN TAKES

HE HAD A WELL-EARNED REPUTATION FOR BEING A CONSUMMATE PROFESSIONAL ON SET, BUT JOHN WAYNE NEVER MISSED AN OPPORTUNITY TO CRACK WISE WITH HIS COWORKERS WHEN THE CAMERAS WEREN'T ROLLING.

While being a revered Hollywood actor is of course a dream job for many, the prospect of shooting a film can be daunting for even the most professional actors. For John Wayne, making a movie meant more than a chance to lay his acting muscles and make another classic—he was so accustomed to top-quality

films with his own crew, many of whom he considered friends, that whenever some crisis transpired on a busy day, Duke was always willing to light up the set with heavy laughter.

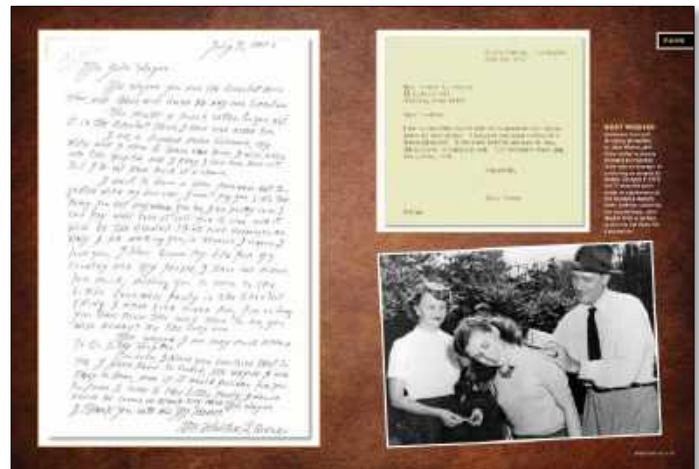
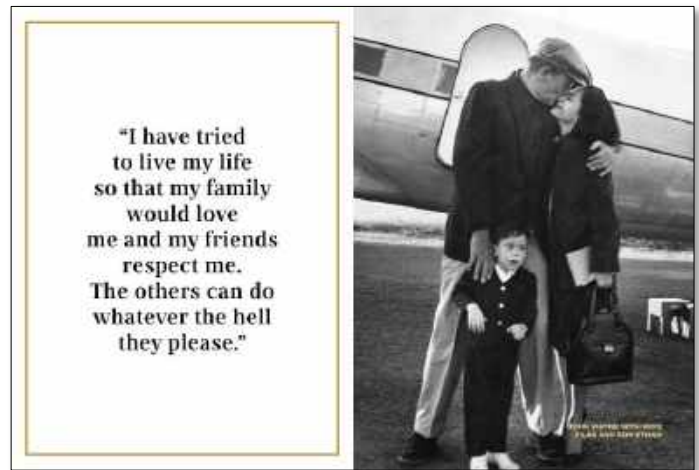
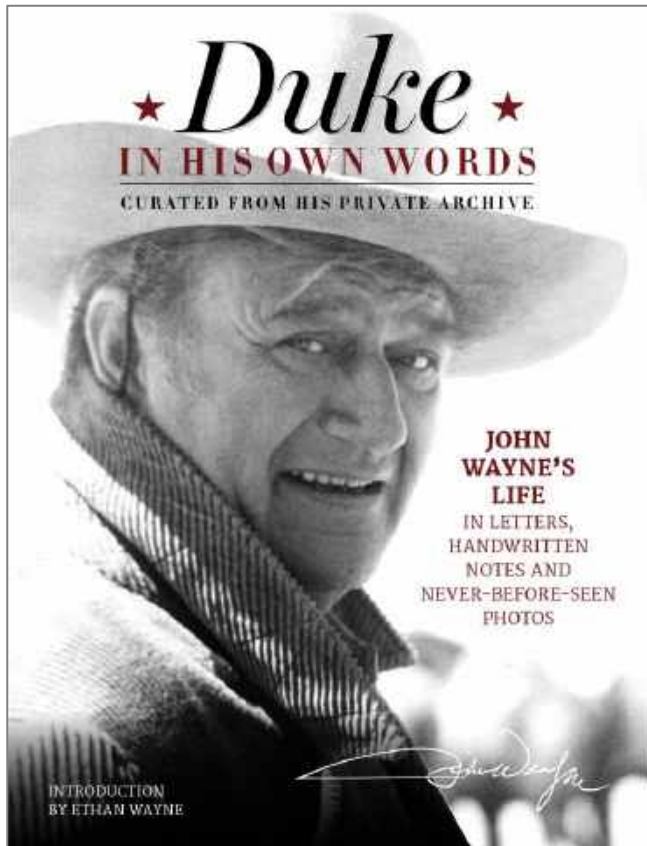
In the quiet moments in set, to which he never looked upon his coworkers as lesser or "big names" on Hollywood, John Wayne would

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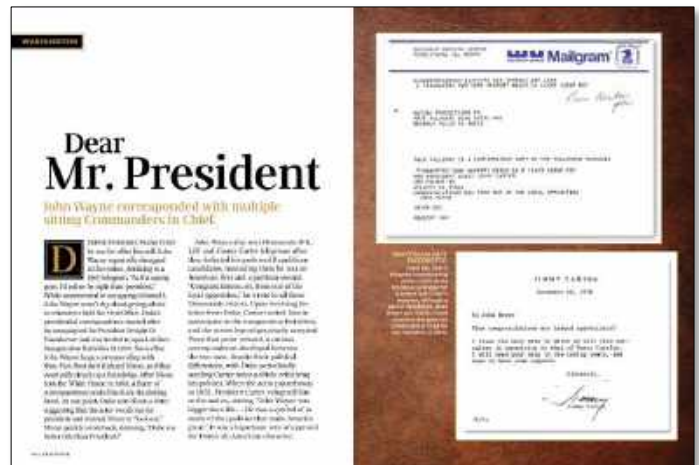
# Duke in His Own Words

John Wayne's Life in Letters, Handwritten Notes and Never-Before-Seen Photos



**THROUGH JOHN WAYNE'S** newly revealed personal correspondence, we share Duke's most intimate thoughts and the advice he shared with friends, family and world leaders. The John Wayne archives boast thousands of never before published letters to and from fans, celebrities, heads of state, presidents and many others.

John Wayne left a legacy as the quintessential American and leading man—one that we may never see again. In these letters and chronicles is assembled a story paired with rare photos from the family albums. This compendium lets you see inside the man: what he was facing, his circle of friends, his worldviews, as well as his unmatched patriotism. This is so much more than a collection of letters.

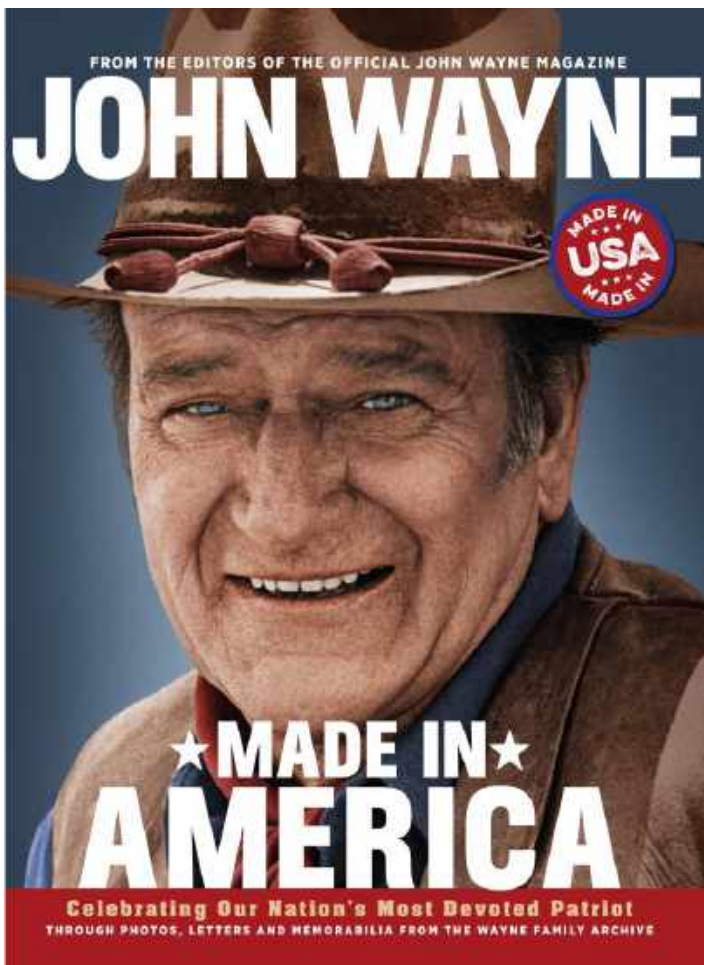


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# John Wayne: Made in America

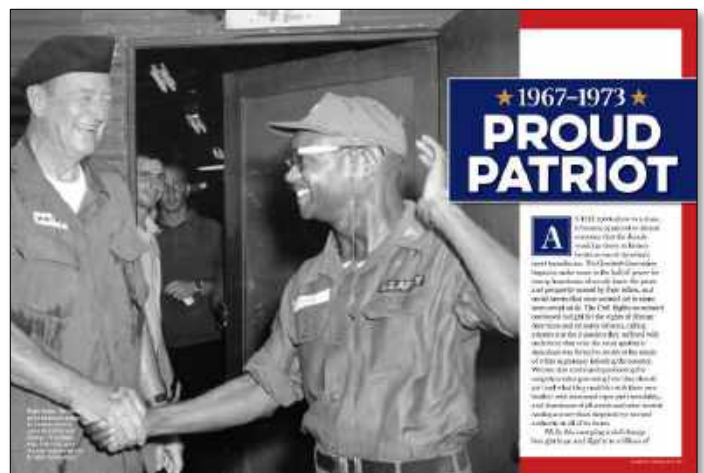
## Celebrating Our Nation's Greatest Patriot Through Photos, Letters and Memorabilia From the Wayne Family Archive



**“SURE I WAVE THE AMERICAN FLAG. DO YOU KNOW A BETTER FLAG TO WAVE?”**

—John Wayne

A true American to the end, there was nothing John Wayne loved more than his country. In *John Wayne: Made In America*, John Wayne’s patriotism is explored through photos, his personal letters and mementos and more memorabilia from the Wayne family archives. Carefully curated by the editors of *The Official John Wayne Magazine*, this book gives new insight into the man who embodied the American spirit and was a living legend for more than 40 years.



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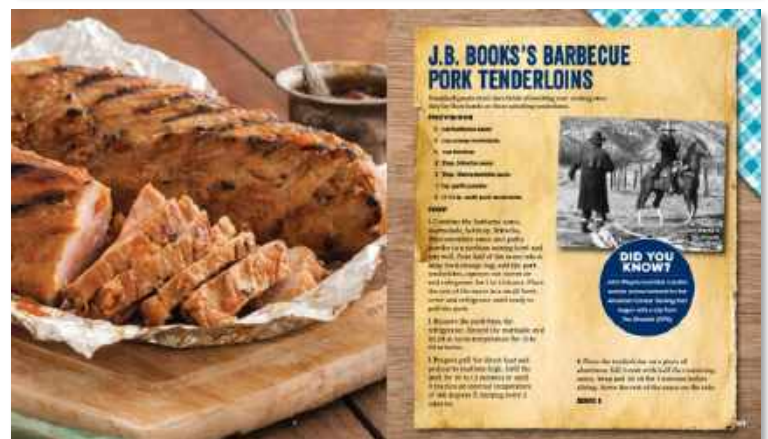
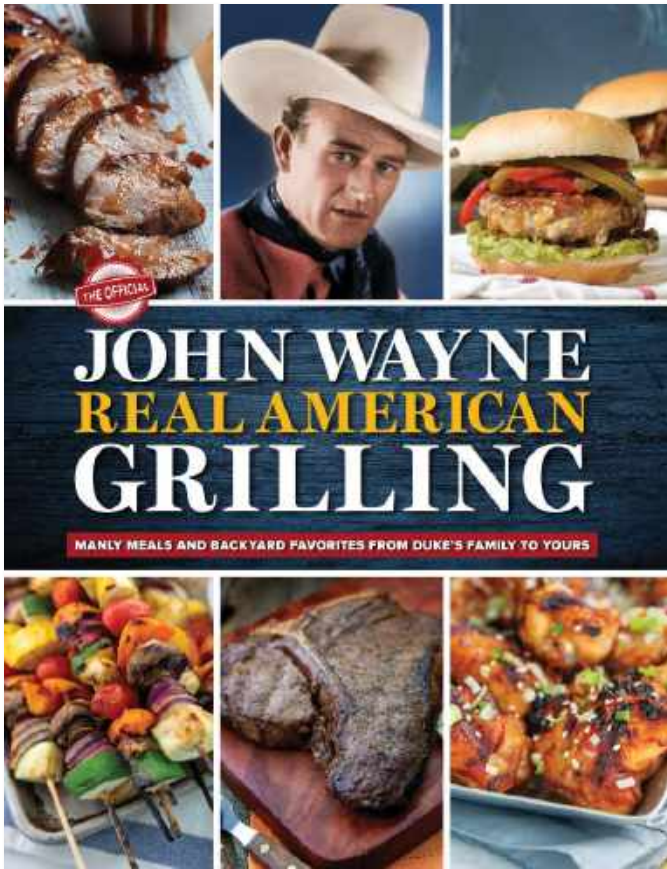
A still life photograph of a dining table. In the foreground, a round wooden board holds several slices of toasted bread with a green herb butter spread, a small salad with cherry tomatoes and basil, and a stack of prosciutto. To the right, a wine glass is filled with red wine. In the background, a newspaper is spread out on the table, and a pepper mill is visible on the left. The scene is set in a rustic, cozy environment.

# Food & Drink



# The Official John Wayne Real American Grilling

Manly Meals and Backyard Favorites From Duke's Family to Yours



**THIS ALL-NEW** collection of mouth-watering recipes celebrates everything that's so wonderful about the American grilling tradition and provides home cooks with easy-to-follow recipes and step-by-step techniques for grilling the most delicious steaks, ribs, fish, burgers and more, all with Duke's joy of great food. The Official John Wayne Real American Grilling is a celebration of family, friends, good times, great cooking and the American grilling tradition.

Inside readers will find more than 100 of Duke's favorite recipes - everything from grilled fish to barbecue burgers, ribs and brisket and everything in between. They'll also discover a treasure trove of family memories and photos of John Wayne eating, laughing and carrying on as only Duke can do, making this a joyous celebration of everything that's good about coming together for a hearty meal, or cooking up a steak for one.

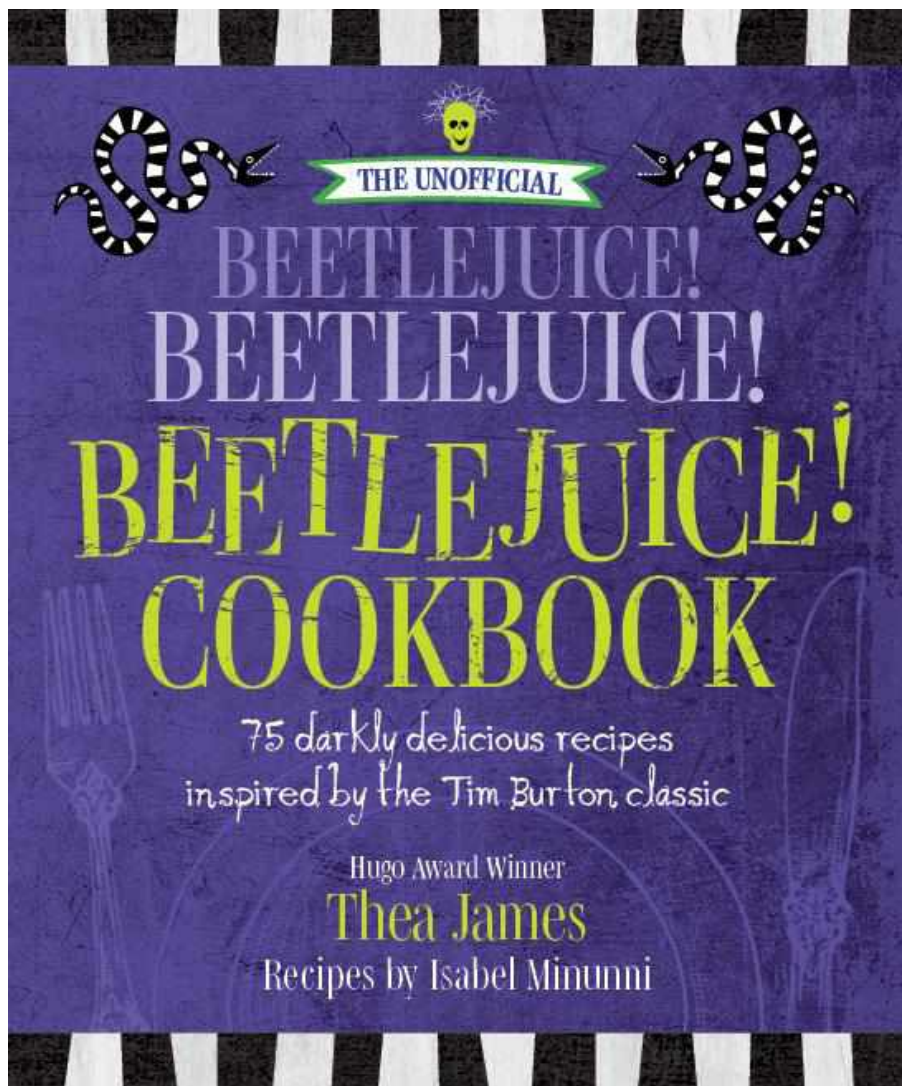
With an introduction by his son Ethan Wayne, The Official John Wayne Real American Grilling is nothing less than a guide to great eats and good times.

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# THE UNOFFICIAL BEETLEJUICE! BEETLEJUICE! BEETLEJUICE! COOKBOOK

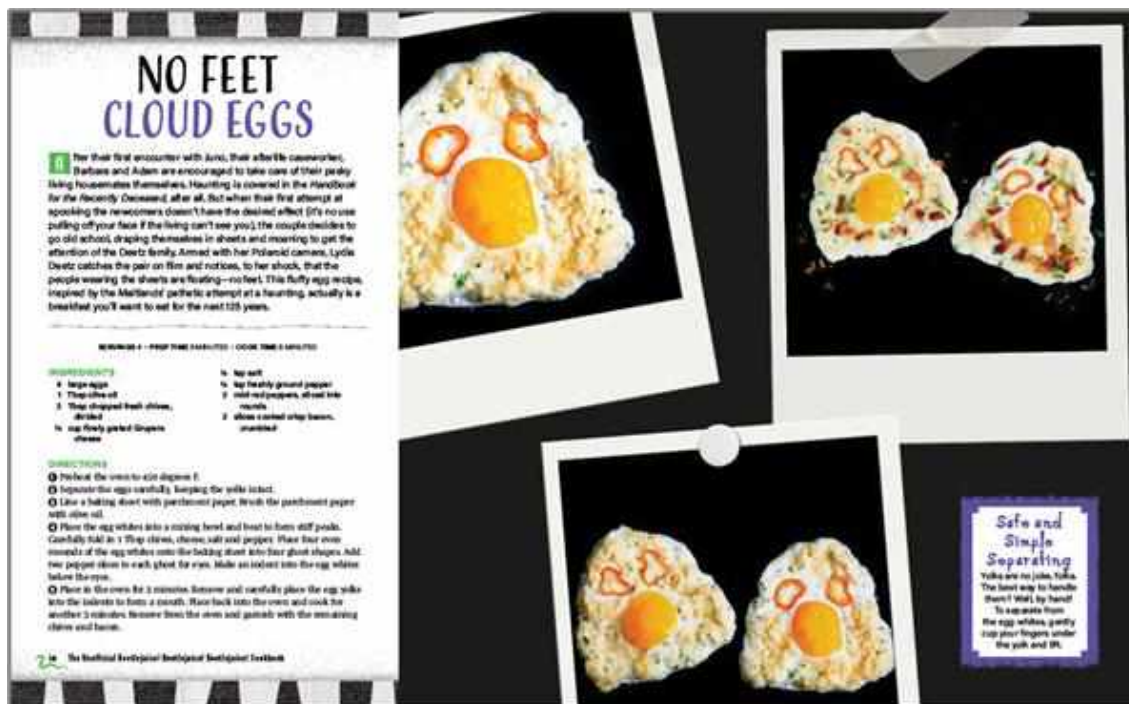
## 75 Darkly Delicious Recipes Inspired By The Tim Burton Classic



The Unofficial Beetlejuice! Beetlejuice! Beetlejuice! Cookbook is a one-of-a-kind cookbook that captures the flavor and feel of the hit movie Beetlejuice, with 75 delightfully dark recipes, from Deetz dinner party shrimp cocktail to delicious Harry Belafonte-themed “banana boat” milkshakes.

Drawing inspiration from the deceptively sunny home of the Maitlands and the gloomy bureaucracy of the afterlife, to the fantasy world of Beetlejuice himself and the sandworms of Titan, this cookbook finds inspiration in every corner, with recipes inspired by the creatures, characters, locations and plot points of the film and other sources. Each recipe will be paired with an attractive full color photo and a humorous introductory note, plus fun bits Beetlejuice trivia, behind the scenes facts and more.

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## DANTE'S INFERNO HOT WINGS

**A**fter first appearing to the Deetz family, Beetlejuice (once again in Adam's model of Winter River) gets a storm talking to by the Maitlands, who are upset with his tactics. Barbara gets even more upset when Beetlejuice makes some sleazy remarks about Lydia Deetz (whom he refers to as "Bigger Helen Ford's daughter"), and asks the Maitlands when an ordinary guy like him could work out some of his...dating anxiety—it's been 600

years since his last paramour. And that's when he sees it: Dante's Inferno floors. Boasting GIRLS GIRLS GIRLS and free AC, along with a bitchin' sound system and spectacular lighting effects, Dante's Inferno doesn't really fit in with the rest of Adam's meticulously groomed model to win (and he of course denies even building it). This chicken wing recipe is best served the way Dante recommends: HOT HOT HOT.

SERVINGS 4-6 • PREP TIME 15 MINUTES • COOK TIME 30 MINUTES

**INGREDIENTS**

**INFERNO WING SAUCE**

- 1 cellophane sheet
- ¼ cup hot sauce
- 1 clove garlic, smashed
- 1 tsp cayenne pepper
- 1 tsp red pepper flakes
- 1 jalapeño pepper, chopped
- 1 Carolina reaper pepper, chopped
- white wearing gloves
- oil for frying

**COOLING WING DIP**

- 2 Tbsp minced English cucumber
- ¼ cup blue cheese crumbles
- ¼ cup sour cream
- ¼ cup mayonnaise
- 1 Tbsp milk
- 1 Tbsp freshly squeezed lemon juice
- ¼ tsp salt
- ¼ tsp freshly ground black pepper

**WINGS**

- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- ¼ tsp salt
- ¼ tsp freshly ground black pepper
- 1 Tbsp cayenne pepper
- 3 lbs chicken wing drumsticks

**DIRECTIONS**

- 1 Wearing gloves, place all the wing sauce ingredients in a medium saucepan. Heat the ingredients until the burner is off, then carefully transfer into a blender and blend until smooth. Pour through a fine mesh sieve back into the saucepan. Bring the mixture to a simmer and cook for about 5 minutes to meld the flavors and thicken the sauce.
- 2 In a bowl, mix all cooling wing dip ingredients. Place in the refrigerator.
- 3 Mix the flour, salt, black pepper and cayenne in a shallow bowl. Place the wings in to the mixture and toss to coat.
- 4 Heat the oil to 350 degrees F and cook the wings in the hot oil in batches until golden brown and cooked through (15 to 20 minutes). Place each wing in the wing sauce to coat. Serve with dipping sauce.

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## (UN)HOLY GUACAMOLE

**W**hile checking out the business (aka obituary) section in the morning paper, Beetlejuice singles out Adam and Barbara Maitland as a cute, probably glibbie couple. During an attempt to win their bio-ecorism business, Beetlejuice is asked to provide his qualifications, which he rattles off to impressive effect. Though he's a self-proclaimed attendee of Julliard, graduate of the Harvard Business School, survivor of the Black Plague and current bio-ecorist, Beetlejuice is singularly proud of the fact that he's seen *The Exorcist* 167 times. Inspired by the bio-ecorist's love of the classic horror film, this guac recipe is reminiscent of Linda Blair's exceptional projectile pain.

SERVINGS 4 • PREP TIME 10 MINUTES

**INGREDIENTS**

- 4 avocados
- ¼ tsp ground onion
- ¼ cup seeded and diced tomato
- ¼ cup minced red onion
- 1 jalapeño, seeded and minced
- 1 Tbsp chopped fresh cilantro
- 2 Tbsp fresh lime juice
- 1 tsp hot pepper sauce
- ¼ tsp salt
- ¼ tsp freshly ground pepper
- 1 coconut, optional

**DIRECTIONS**

- 1 Mash avocados in a blender consistency for in the remaining ingredients.
- 2 Cut a coconut like a pumpkin and make a wide hole for the mouth. Draw eyes to complete a scary coconut face. Serve guacamole in the coconut allowing the guacamole to ooze out of the mouth.

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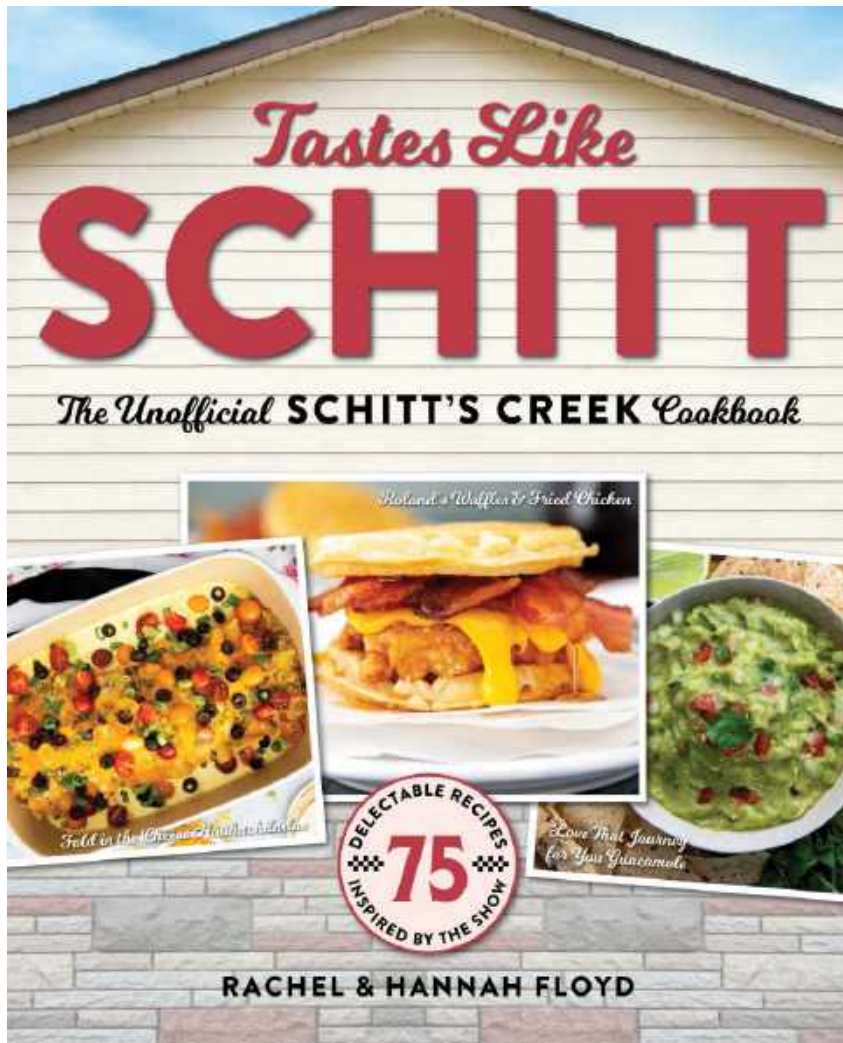
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# Tastes Like Schitt: The Unofficial Schitt's Creek Cookbook

75 Delectable Recipes Inspired by the Show, Plus Humor, Trivia and Instructions for Folding in the Cheese



**PAY HOMAGE** to the quaintest hamlet in Elmdale County in this fun, unofficial cookbook inspired by the show.

Whether you're experienced in the kitchen or basically eat at the local café for every meal, *Tastes Like Schitt* has a recipe for you. Specials from Café Tropical, Jocelyn's down-to-earth dishes and meals from the Rosebud Motel have inspired this collection of recipes.

With 75 full-color recipes, this cookbook features appetizers, drinks, entrees, desserts and more. Cook your way through them all as you rewatch your favorite episodes.

This book makes the perfect gift for any fan of the TV show *Schitt's Creek*. As you work your way through the chapters, you will be doing a lot more than just folding in the cheese for the enchilada recipe.

## Other dishes include:

- Rosebud Motel Cinnamon Rolls
- Sloppy Jocelyns
- There's a Dead Guy in Room 4-Cheese Macaroni
- Twyla's Meadow Harvest Smoothie
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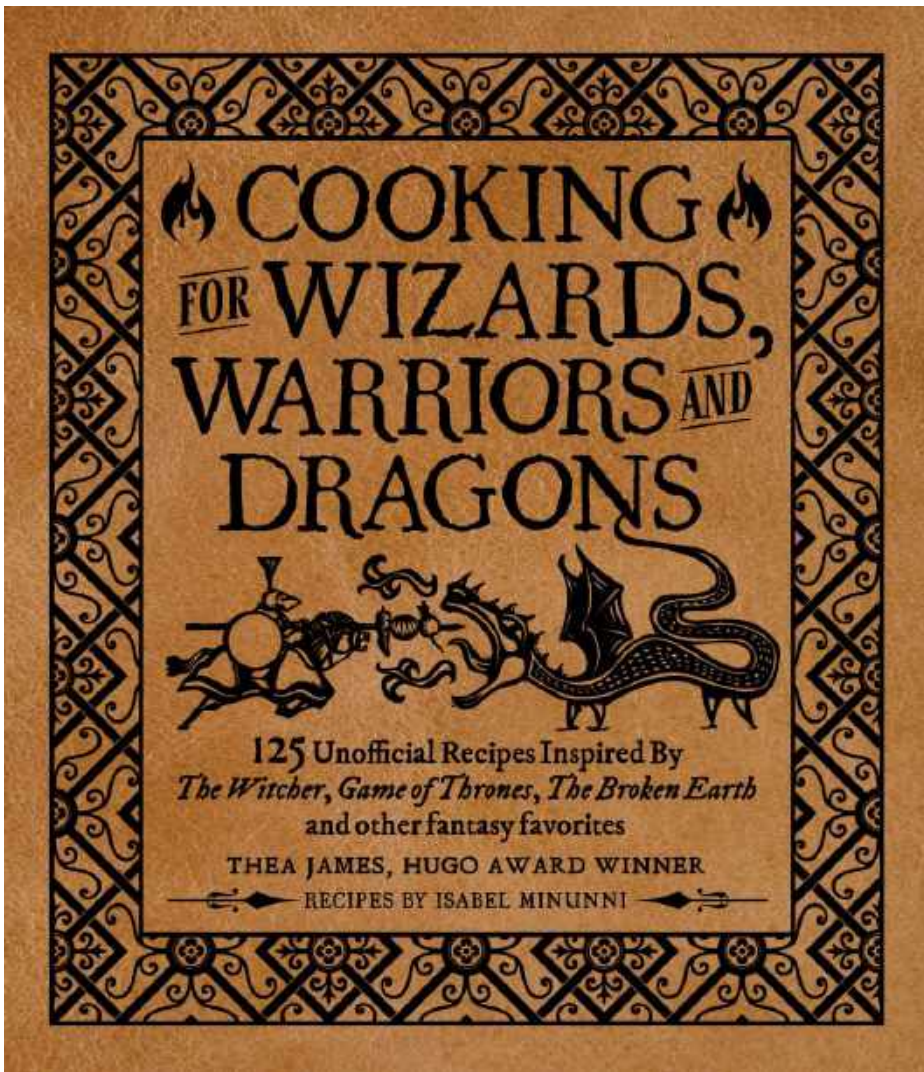
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# Cooking for Wizards, Warriors and Dragons

## *125 Unofficial Recipes Inspired by The Witcher, Game of Thrones, The Broken Earth and Other Fantasy Favorites*



**ORGANIZED BY** different meal types and ingredients (including Breakfasts & Second Breakfasts, Soups & Stews, The Hunt, The Farm, The Catch, Snacks & Sides and Desserts), *Cooking for Wizards, Warriors and Dragons* includes illustrations from noted artist Tim Foley and recipes developed and tested by professional chef Isabel Minunni. With five bonus feast spreads, this grimoire is sure to sate hungry readers from any realm.

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# Rice, Pickles and Miso Soup

INSPIRED BY LIAN HEARN'S TALES OF THE OTORI SERIES

Serves 4

In *A Storm in the Nightingale Flare*, the first of the *Tales of the Otori* saga, readers meet a 16-year-old boy who survives a massacre and becomes a powerful samurai and lord. At the very beginning of his journey, the boy escapes the slaughter of his village through skill (an uncanny ability to cast an illusion of himself) and luck, as he runs directly into the powerful Lord Shigeno Otori who

immediately takes the boy, Takou, under his wing. The first morning after surviving the horrors of his village, Takou is still in shock and has a hard time regaining his appetite. Lord Otori kindly tells him that the old part of his life is done and to build his courage and strength, starting with this morning meal of rice and pickles to fortify them for the long, arduous road ahead.

## INGREDIENTS

### RICE

- Prep Time: 7 minutes
- Cook Time: 30-40 minutes
- 2 cups (400 g) short-grain rice
- 1 1/2 cups (375 mL) water

### PICKLES

- Prep Time: 7 minutes plus 1 hour 30 minutes for dicing and marinating rice
- Cook Time: none
- 1 lb (453 g) seedless cucumbers, thinly sliced
- 1 cup (250 mL) rice vinegar
- 1/2 cup (125 mL) sugar
- 1/4 cup (60 mL) chili garlic sauce
- 1 cup (250 mL) soy sauce
- 1 cup (250 mL) sesame oil
- 1 Tbsp (15 mL) black sesame seeds

### MISO SOUP

- Prep Time: 7 minutes
- Cook Time: 10 minutes
- 1 cup (250 mL) dried wakame
- 2 cups (500 mL) dashi or vegetable stock

## INGREDIENTS

- 1/2 cup (125 mL) Shitake mushrooms, sliced
- 1/2 cup (125 mL) white miso paste
- 1/4 lb (113 g) silken tofu, drained and cubed
- 1/4 cup (60 mL) sliced green onion, green part only

## PREPARATION

- In a fine-mesh sieve, rinse the rice with water until the water runs clear.
- Add the rice and water to a saucepan, cover and bring to a boil. Lower the heat to a simmer and cook for 15 minutes. Remove from the heat and let steam for 15 to 20 minutes with the lid on. Fluff with a fork.
- Slice the cucumbers into 1/4-inch (6 mm)-thick rounds and place in a bowl. Sprinkle the salt over the cucumbers, toss to coat, then let sit for an hour. Drain the pickles, squeezing well to remove any excess liquid.

- In a medium-large bowl mix together vinegar, sugar, garlic sauce, soy sauce and sesame oil. Add the cucumbers, toss to coat, then let marinate at room temperature for 30 minutes. Garnish with sesame seeds.
- Place the wakame in warm water and let sit for 10 to 15 minutes to rehydrate the wakame.
- In a soup pot, bring the dashi or stock to a boil, then lower the heat to a simmer. Add the wakame and mushrooms into the pot and simmer for 5 minutes. Turn off the heat.

- In a fine-mesh sieve, rinse the rice with water until the water runs clear.
- Add the rice and water to a saucepan, cover and bring to a boil. Lower the heat to a simmer and cook for 15 minutes. Remove from the heat and let steam for 15 to 20 minutes with the lid on. Fluff with a fork.
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- In a soup pot, bring the dashi or stock to a boil, then lower the heat to a simmer. Add the wakame and mushrooms into the pot and simmer for 5 minutes. Turn off the heat.

- In a small bowl mix together a ladle of hot broth and miso. Add the mixture back into the soup pot, followed by the tofu and onion. Serve hot.

**NOTE**  
When all you have is a simple warm breakfast can help you feel a day.

# Chilled Citrus Fruit Salad

INSPIRED BY TAMORA PIERCE'S SONG OF THE LIONESSES SERIES

Serves 4 • Prep Time: 3 minutes • Cook Time: none

Alanna of Trebond has come a long way since first entering poghood in *Terralt*. Masquerading as a boy but retaining her knight size and a woman. Alanna is a warrior with a reputation. In *The Woman Who Rides Like a Man*, the knight craves adventure and distance from the political and personal entanglements of the court and rides



## INGREDIENTS

- 1 cup (250 g) raspberries
- 1 Tbsp (15 mL) lemon zest
- 1 Tbsp (15 mL) fresh lemon juice
- 1 Tbsp (15 mL) orange juice
- 1 cup (250 g) chopped cantaloupe

## INGREDIENTS

- 2 cups (500 g) blackberries
- 2 cups (500 g) strawberries, hulled
- 2 cups (500 g) red grapes

## PREPARATION

- In a medium-large bowl mix together yogurt, lemon zest, lemon juice, orange zest and orange juice. Add fruit and mix

to combine. Cover and place in the refrigerator to chill.

2. Serve with rolls and cheese.

**NOTE**  
As a teacher, remember patience is a virtue of life. Even when your apprentices ask goofy personal questions.

# Perfectly Hot Beef Pho

INSPIRED BY ALIETTE DE BOORD'S IN THE VANISHERS' PALACE

Serves 4 • Prep Time: 15 minutes • Cook Time: 15 minutes

A bowl of steaming hot beef pho is a perfect antidote to a cold winter's day. The aromatic broth is made with a variety of spices and herbs, and the rice noodles are topped with sliced beef, fresh herbs, and a squeeze of lime juice. This dish is a staple of Vietnamese cuisine and is enjoyed by people of all ages.

## INGREDIENTS

- 1 cup (250 mL) beef stock
- 1/2 cup (125 mL) rice noodles
- 1/4 cup (60 mL) sliced beef
- 1/4 cup (60 mL) sliced carrots
- 1/4 cup (60 mL) sliced mushrooms
- 1/4 cup (60 mL) sliced green onions
- 1/4 cup (60 mL) sliced cilantro
- 1/4 cup (60 mL) sliced lime juice



## PREPARATION

- Bring the beef stock to a boil and add the rice noodles. Cook for 10 minutes.
- Drain the noodles and top with sliced beef, carrots, mushrooms, green onions, and cilantro.
- Squeeze the lime juice over the top and serve hot.

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# Sambal with Fried Rice

INSPIRED BY ZEN CHU'S FORAGER TO THE CROWN SERIES

Serves 4 • Prep Time: 15 minutes • Cook Time: 15 minutes

A bowl of sambal with fried rice is a perfect antidote to a cold winter's day. The aromatic broth is made with a variety of spices and herbs, and the rice noodles are topped with sliced beef, fresh herbs, and a squeeze of lime juice. This dish is a staple of Vietnamese cuisine and is enjoyed by people of all ages.

## INGREDIENTS

- 1 cup (250 mL) beef stock
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- 1/4 cup (60 mL) sliced beef
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- 1/4 cup (60 mL) sliced mushrooms
- 1/4 cup (60 mL) sliced green onions
- 1/4 cup (60 mL) sliced cilantro
- 1/4 cup (60 mL) sliced lime juice



## PREPARATION

- Bring the beef stock to a boil and add the rice noodles. Cook for 10 minutes.
- Drain the noodles and top with sliced beef, carrots, mushrooms, green onions, and cilantro.
- Squeeze the lime juice over the top and serve hot.

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# Cheddar-Ale Potage with Wild Mushroom Salad

INSPIRED BY ANDRZEJ SARKOWSKI'S THE OUTRIDER SERIES

Serves 4 • Prep Time: 15 minutes • Cook Time: 15 minutes

A bowl of cheddar-ale potage with wild mushroom salad is a perfect antidote to a cold winter's day. The aromatic broth is made with a variety of spices and herbs, and the rice noodles are topped with sliced beef, fresh herbs, and a squeeze of lime juice. This dish is a staple of Vietnamese cuisine and is enjoyed by people of all ages.

## INGREDIENTS

- 1 cup (250 mL) beef stock
- 1/2 cup (125 mL) rice noodles
- 1/4 cup (60 mL) sliced beef
- 1/4 cup (60 mL) sliced carrots
- 1/4 cup (60 mL) sliced mushrooms
- 1/4 cup (60 mL) sliced green onions
- 1/4 cup (60 mL) sliced cilantro
- 1/4 cup (60 mL) sliced lime juice



## PREPARATION

- Bring the beef stock to a boil and add the rice noodles. Cook for 10 minutes.
- Drain the noodles and top with sliced beef, carrots, mushrooms, green onions, and cilantro.
- Squeeze the lime juice over the top and serve hot.

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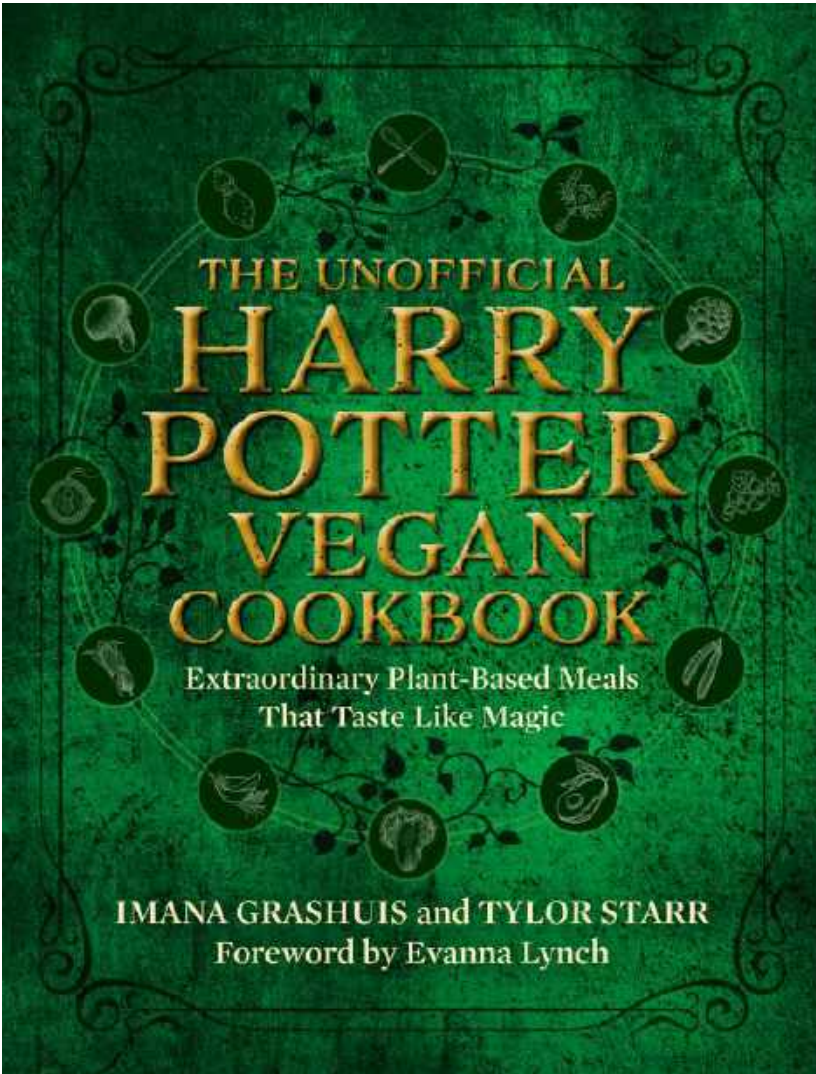
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# The Unofficial Harry Potter Vegan Cookbook

## Extraordinary Plant-Based Meals That Taste Like Magic



**THE UNOFFICIAL HARRY POTTER VEGAN COOKBOOK** is a stunning visual delight that features more than 75 mouth-watering recipes certain to be enjoyed by vegans and non-vegans alike.

Created by Imana Grashuis, Kitchen Witch, recipe developer and photographer and Tylor Starr, founder of the Protego Foundation and the *Chickpeeps* podcast, the book is both an amazing recipe collection as well as an encouraging, uplifting invitation to the vegan lifestyle.

From Molly Weasley's Breakfast Spread to Giant Pumpkin Patch Brownies, the authors imbue every recipe with text and imagery that capture the feel of the Wizarding World, with a bit of storytelling thrown in for good measure.

The book's foreword is written by *Harry Potter* actor/icon Evanna Lynch, best known for her role as Luna Lovegood.

This beautiful book is the first completely vegan *Harry Potter*-themed cookbook. Packed with more than 75 recipes and breathtaking, eye-popping photography, the book captures the magic of Hogwarts on each and every page.

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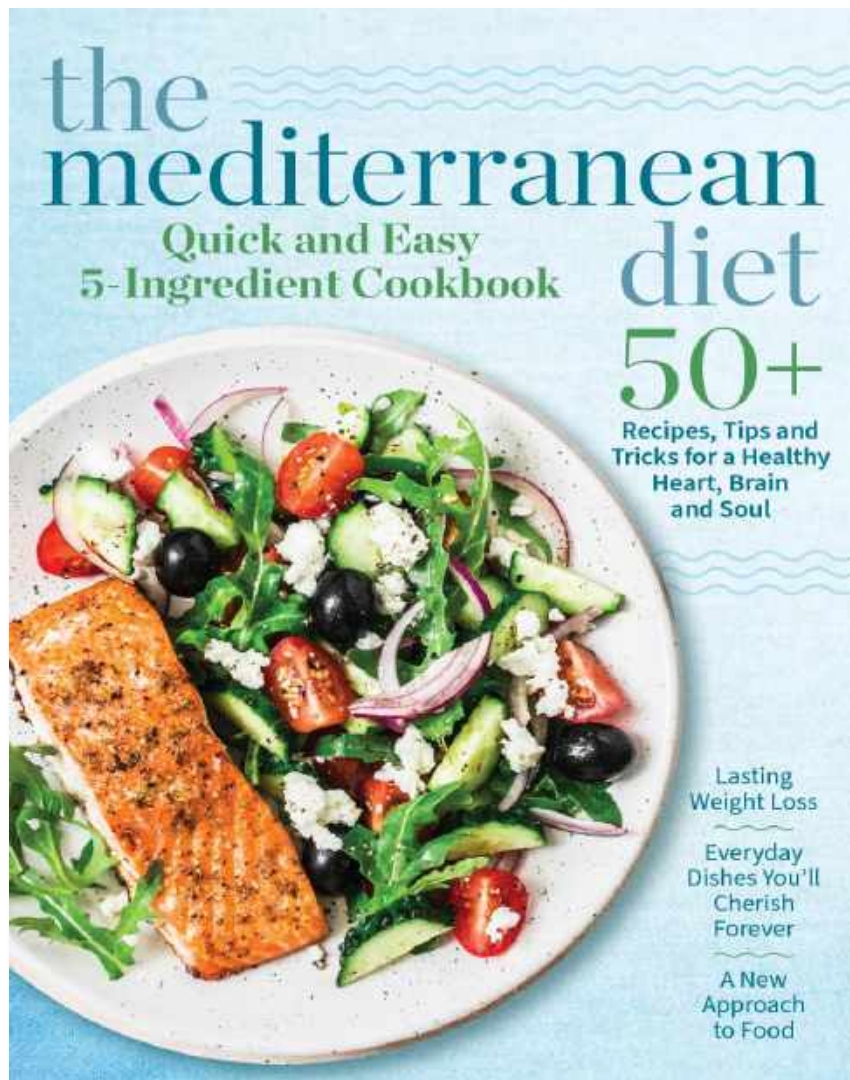




# The Mediterranean Diet

## Quick and Easy 5-Ingredient Cookbook

*100+ Recipes, Tips and Tricks for a Healthy Heart, Brain and Soul*



**FOOD IS ABOUT** more than what you eat, which is why the Mediterranean diet is much more than a meal plan. Learn about this scientifically tested, nutritionally sound, holistic approach to cooking in this simple, easy-to-follow cookbook. Highlighting techniques and flavor combinations that have been a central part of numerous cultures for millennia, and featuring more than 100 clean recipes, tips and tricks, *The Mediterranean Diet* will teach you how to make some of the most delicious—and healthy!—dishes you can imagine, all with five ingredients or fewer.

Plus, step-by-step instructions for every recipe, nutritional information for every dish, straightforward research on why this diet could change your life, stunning photos of some of the Mediterranean region's most breathtaking locales and more!

The Mediterranean diet is good for your heart, your brain, your family and the planet.

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## RED PEPPER TART

### INGREDIENTS

10 sheets phyllo dough  
 ¼ cup olive oil  
 4 red peppers, sliced thin  
 ½ cup Kalamata olives  
 1 tsp red pepper flakes

### DIRECTIONS

Preheat oven to 375 degrees F.

On a parchment-lined baking sheet, place a sheet of phyllo dough, brush with oil, and add another sheet of phyllo dough on top, continue in the same manner with all sheets of dough.

Place the peppers, olives and red pepper flakes onto the dough and place in the preheated oven. Cook for 30 to 35 minutes, or until the dough is lightly browned and crispy.

### SERVES 4

#### PER SERVING

Calories: 338.6 | Total Fat: 21.4g | Saturated Fat: 2.9g |  
 Cholesterol: 0mg | Sodium: 351.8mg | Potassium: 254.8mg |  
 Total Carbohydrates: 33.4g | Dietary Fiber: 3.9g | Sugars: 5.1g |  
 Protein: 4.5g

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## Easy GYROS

### INGREDIENTS

4 whole-wheat pitas  
 8 oz prepared gyro meat (your favorite)  
 1 red onion, sliced  
 1 large tomato, sliced  
 ½ cup tzatziki sauce

### DIRECTIONS

Warm up the pita bread and gyro meat in a hot oven or in a hot pan.

Fill each pita with an even amount of meat, top with an even amount of onion and tomatoes, and drizzle with an even amount of sauce. Serve.

### SERVES 4

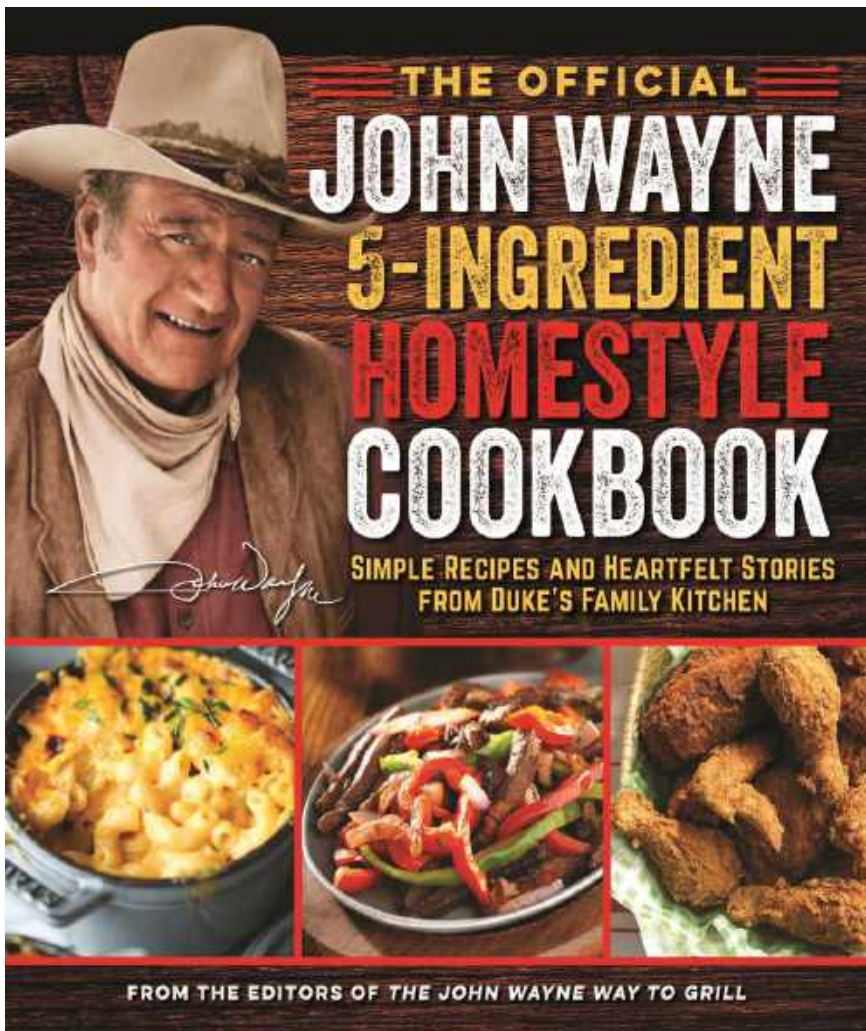
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# The Official John Wayne 5-Ingredient Homestyle Cookbook

*Simple Recipes and Heartfelt Stories From Duke's Family Kitchen*



**JOHN WAYNE** enjoyed nothing more than a wholesome meal with his loved ones. With *The Official John Wayne 5-Ingredient Cookbook*, you can bring the timeless spirit of Duke's hospitality to each and every meal, from breakfast to dessert and everything in between. Loaded with step-by-step instructions, these simple, easy-to-follow recipes will help you spend more time doing what Duke valued most: enjoying quality time and homemade meals with your nearest and dearest.

Includes: introduction by Duke's son, Ethan Wayne, 100+ delicious recipes, all with just 5 or fewer ingredients, step-by-step techniques and easy-to-follow instructions, Wayne family tips and tricks that will leave your guests smiling and hungry for seconds (or thirds!) and surprising anecdotes and other trivia sure to please any John Wayne fan.

These homestyle recipes are organized by Breakfast, Soups and Salads, Starters, Main Entrees, Snacks, Desserts, Salsas, & More.

#### Inside you will find recipes for:

- McIntock's Mushroom Bacon Frittata
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- Backcountry BBQ Chicken Bites
- Gunslinger Guacamole
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- Stagecoach Shrimp Scampi
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## Homestyle CORNMEAL-CRUSTED CHICKEN TENDERS

THE CRUNCHY CORNMEAL BREADING ON THESE TASTY MORSELS WILL TAKE YOU BACK TO A SIMPLER TIME.

**Serves 4**

**PROVISIONS**

- 1 lb. chicken tenders
- Kosher or fine sea salt, to taste
- Black pepper, to taste
- ½ cup cornmeal
- 2 tsp. Cajun seasoning
- 1 large egg
- 1 Tbsp. water
- 2 Tbsp. vegetable or olive oil
- Barbecue sauce

**DIRECTIONS**

- 1 Season the chicken tenders with salt and pepper. In a shallow bowl, combine the cornmeal with the Cajun seasoning and a pinch of salt and pepper. In another bowl,

- beat the egg with 1 Tbsp. water and a small pinch of salt. Have an empty plate standing by.
- 2 Dip the chicken tenders first into the egg then into the cornmeal, pressing the cornmeal into the chicken. Place on the clean plate.
- 3 In a large non-stick skillet, heat the oil over medium-high until it begins to shimmer. Turn the heat down to medium and add the chicken tenders. Cook for 3 minutes then flip and cook for another 4 to 5 minutes or until golden brown and the internal temperature of the chicken reaches 165 degrees F.
- 4 Serve with the barbecue sauce for dipping.

John Wayne with his family and beloved dog, Duke.

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## Perfect PIMENTO CHEESE

THIS SPICY CHEESE COMBINATION MAKES THE BEST—AND THE MOST VERSATILE—DIP EVER!

**Serves 4**

**PROVISIONS**

- 8 oz. cream cheese, softened
- 1 cup cheddar cheese, shredded
- 1 cup cream cheese
- 1 cup pimentos
- 1 Tbsp. salt
- 1 Tbsp. Worcestershire sauce

**DIRECTIONS**

- 1 Beat the cream cheese until smooth. Add the cheddar cheese and pimentos and mix well. Add the salt and Worcestershire sauce.

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## Old-Fashioned MUDSLIDE PIE

WHEN YOU'RE HUNGRING FOR CORNMEAL AND CHEESE, THIS PIECE WILL FEEL LIKE YOU'RE BACK IN A PLACE THAT'S NOT SO FAR AWAY.

**Serves 4**

**PROVISIONS**

- 1 cup cornmeal
- 1 cup cheddar cheese, shredded
- 1 cup butter, softened
- 1 cup salt

**DIRECTIONS**

- 1 Heat an oven-safe bowl or pan over the stove. Add the cornmeal, cheddar cheese, and butter. Stir well and cook for 10 minutes. Add the salt and mix well. Let the mixture cool for 5 minutes.
- 2 Spoon the mixture into a bowl and serve with your favorite dipping sauce.

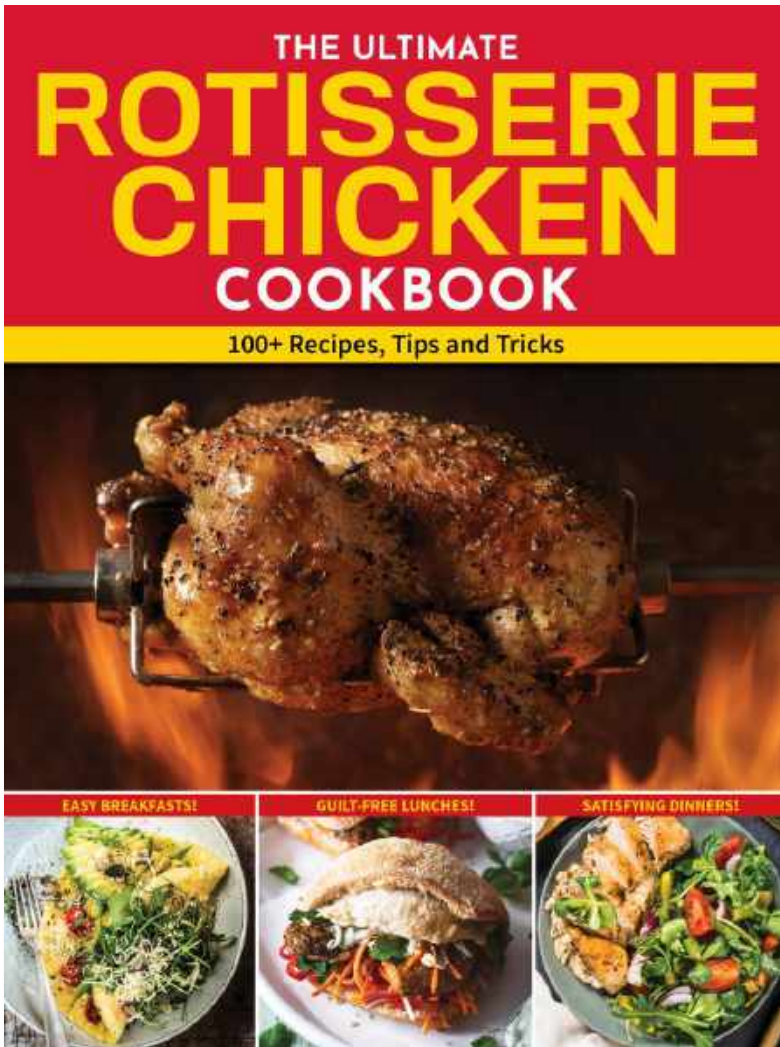
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# The Ultimate Rotisserie Chicken Cookbook

## 100+ Recipes, Tips and Tricks



**ONE HUNDRED** helpful recipes and tips that turn your store-bought rotisserie chicken into a family meal.

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**appetizers**  
 These small plates will seriously up your hosting game. Don't be surprised if you find more folks finding an excuse to bring the party to your place.

**Buffalo Chicken Flatbread**  
 The classic game-day flavor of Buffalo wings, without the mess.

**SERVES: 14 PRICES**  
**TOTAL TIME: 15 MINUTES**

**INGREDIENTS**

- 2 (16-ounce) cans flatbread
- 1/2 cup Buffalo hot sauce
- 2 cups chopped rotisserie chicken
- 1 cup (1/2) shredded parmesan mozzarella
- 1 cup shredded blue cheese
- 4 slices pre-cooked bacon, crumbled
- 1 Tablespoon, chopped
- Hot cheese dressing, for dipping

**INSTRUCTIONS**

- Preheat oven to 425 degrees F. Place flatbreads on two large rimmed baking sheets. Spread sauce evenly on flatbreads. Top flatbreads evenly with chicken, mozzarella and blue cheese.
- Bake flatbreads in 10 minutes or until cheese is melted.
- Top with bacon and green onions and cut each flatbread into 4 pieces.
- Serve warm, with dressing on the side.

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**breakfast**

**Eggs Benedict with Chicken and Herbed Hollandaise**  
 A decadent treat for those days Sunday mornings that feel on your classic Benny will become a new favorite.

**SERVES: 4**  
**HANDS-ON TIME: 10 MINUTES**  
**TOTAL TIME: 30 MINUTES**

**INGREDIENTS**

- 1/2 cup white sauce
- 1/2 cup butter, divided
- 1/2 cup white vinegar
- 1 large egg
- 2 (1.25-oz) packets hollandaise sauce
- 1/2 tsp freshly ground black pepper
- 2 Tbsp fresh chives, chopped
- 1 cup shredded rotisserie chicken, warmed
- 4 English muffins, split and toasted

**INSTRUCTIONS**

- Cook spinach in 1 Tbsp butter in a medium skillet over medium-high heat, stirring often, until wilted. Set aside.
- Bring a large pot of water to a simmer and add vinegar. Add eggs, force a steam, and cook gently 3 to 4 minutes or until whites are firm but yolks are still soft. Carefully remove eggs with slotted spoon to a bowl of hot water. Repeat with remaining eggs.
- Melt 1 Tbsp butter in a medium saucepan over medium-low. Add 2 cups cold water and hollandaise mix. Cook over medium heat, stirring constantly, until sauce comes to a boil. Reduce heat to low and simmer 1 minute or until thickened. Remove from heat and stir in green onions and chives.
- Drizzle spinach and chicken evenly among English muffins. Top each with one poached egg and generous amount of herbed hollandaise.

**Southwestern Omelet**  
 Bring the best flavors of the American Southwest to your breakfast table with this twist on the ever-popular omelet.

**SERVES: 4**  
**HANDS-ON TIME: 15 MINUTES**  
**TOTAL TIME: 15 MINUTES**

**INGREDIENTS**

- 1/2 cup onion, chopped
- 2 tsp vegetable oil, divided
- 1 (one) can chopped green chiles
- 1 cup rotisserie chicken, chopped
- 1/2 tsp salt
- 2 large eggs, lightly beaten
- 1 cup (1/2) Monterey Jack cheese, shredded
- 2 avocados, chopped
- 2 Tbsp fresh chives, chopped
- Serve warm, with hot sauce, for serving

**INSTRUCTIONS**

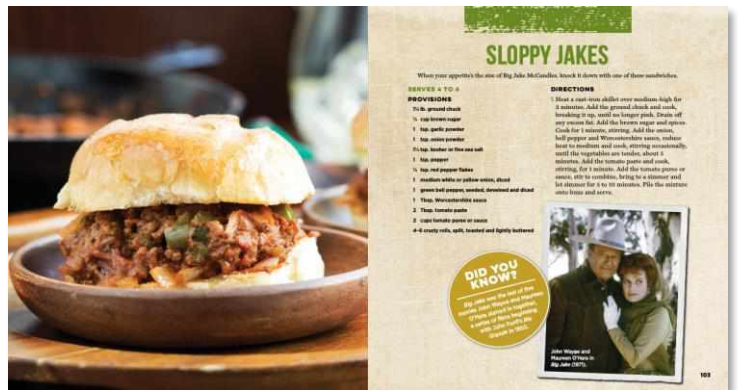
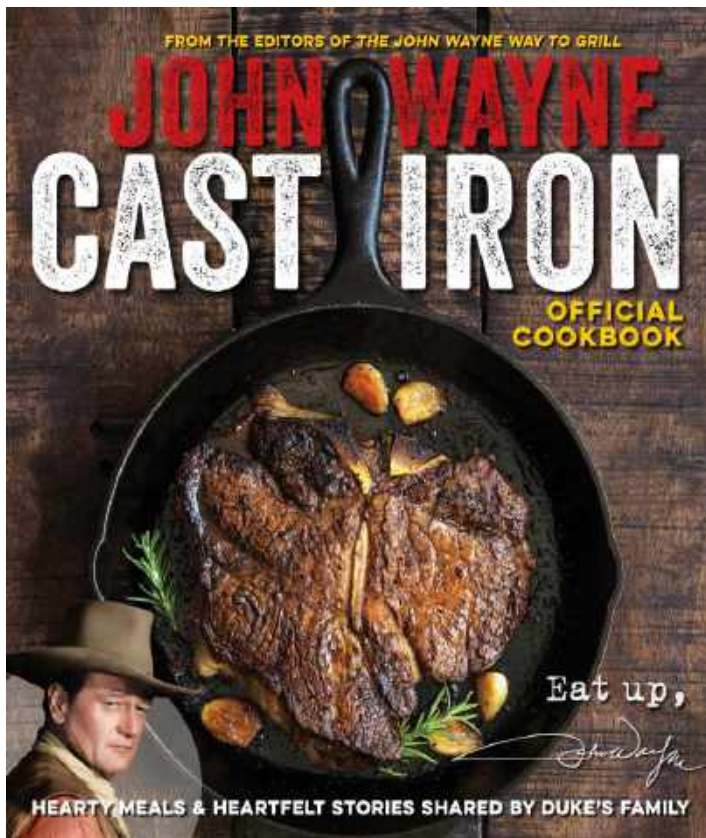
- Sauté onion in 1 tsp vegetable oil in a medium nonstick skillet over medium-high heat for 1 minute or until softened. Add green chiles, chicken and salt and cook for 2 minutes. Add egg and cook, gently mixing egg away from edges of pan with a spatula to let the runny egg flow underneath. It is 3 minutes or until just set. Top with chicken mixture and cheese and fold in half over filling. Carefully remove from skillet.
- Sprinkle omelet with avocado and chives and cut into 4 pieces. Serve with drizzled ketchup.

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# John Wayne Cast Iron Official Cookbook

*Hearty Meals & Heartfelt Stories Shared by Duke's Family*



**DISCOVER WHAT** America's most enduring icon loved to create with cast iron in this deluxe cookbook full of rare family and film photos, along with personal anecdotes and heartwarming stories. Cast iron cooking is as American as John Wayne. Everyone is rediscovering the joy of cooking with classic cast iron. Cast iron cooking is popular in most kitchens with its even heating, and the ability to use it in the kitchen, on the grill or over an open fire.

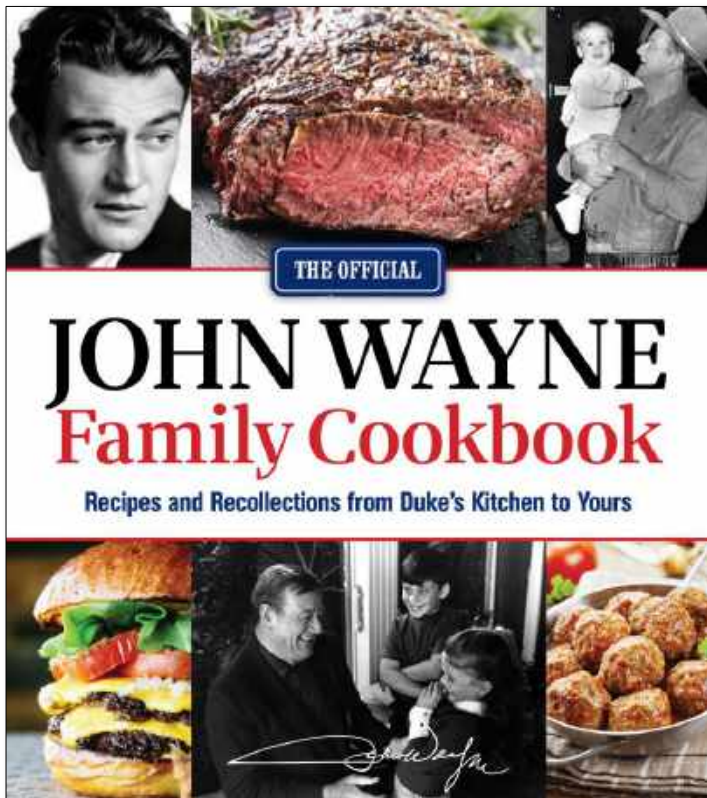
*The John Wayne Cast Iron Cookbook* pairs down home John Wayne inspired recipes with tips, sidebars and stories that will appeal to any fan and inspire many to create sumptuous hearty meals for the entire family.

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# The Official John Wayne Family Cookbook

*Recipes and Recollections From Duke's Kitchen to Yours*



**JOHN WAYNE** loved that a meal brought his family together. This book is full of hearty down-home family recipes in the John Wayne style paired with insight into his family life and movie career.

This is a broad family-oriented cookbook with over 200 recipes that appeal to any John Wayne fan. The book is quite different from other cookbooks in that each recipe includes sidebars and interesting features on Duke's family life and movie career, pairing hearty down home recipes with movie scenes and events that took place throughout his amazing life. Enjoy recipes like Pilar's Soufflé. Duke's wife often made this side when he went on location. He kept the recipe on him, cooking it for others on set. With a base of cheese and chiles, it's great for breakfast, lunch or dinner.

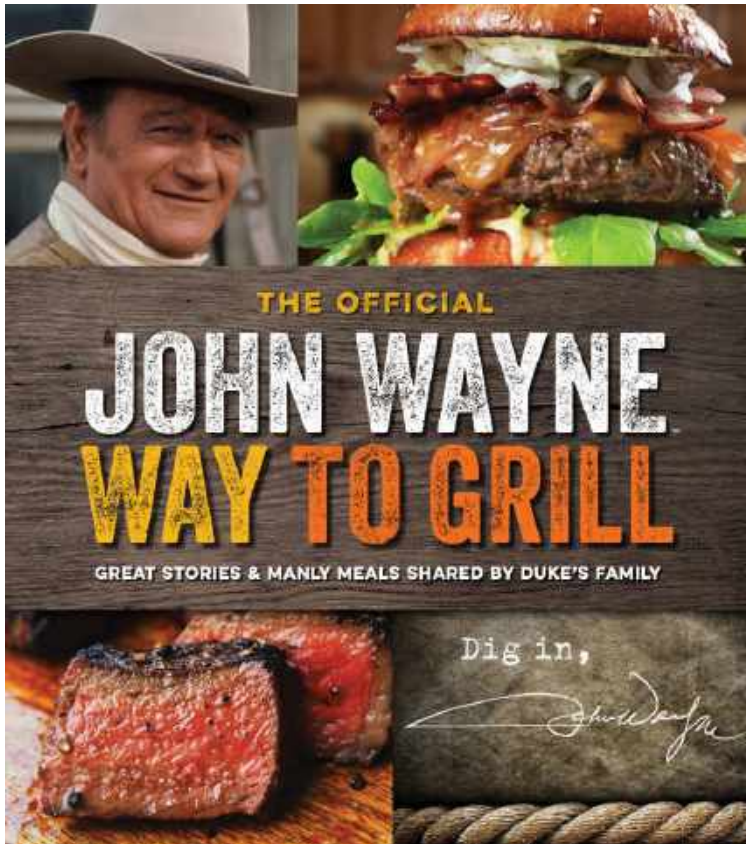
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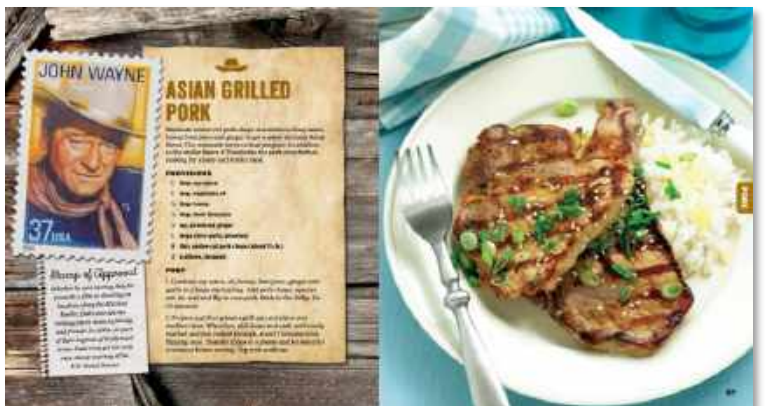
# The Official John Wayne Way to Grill

## Great Stories & Manly Meals Shared by Duke's Family



**THE OFFICIAL JOHN WAYNE WAY TO GRILL** is a cookbook containing more than 200 pages of Duke's favorite meals, from Tex-Mex classics to the best of Western barbecue and everything in between. More than just a collection of recipes, this deluxe publication is chock-full of never-before-seen photos of the actor, along with personal anecdotes and heartwarming stories shared by his son Ethan.

A man is what he eats, and readers can expect to discover not only what America's most enduring icon loved to chow down on—from the perfect charbroiled burger to his smoldering and spicy baby back ribs—but the essence of what made him a legend. It's more than a cookbook. It's a guide to making you the ultimate man.

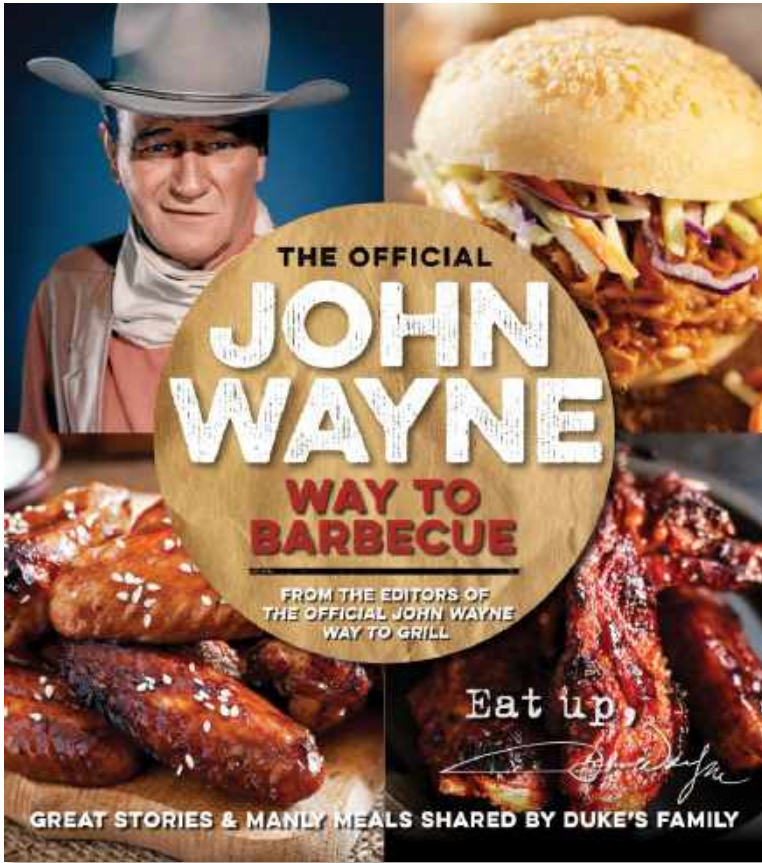


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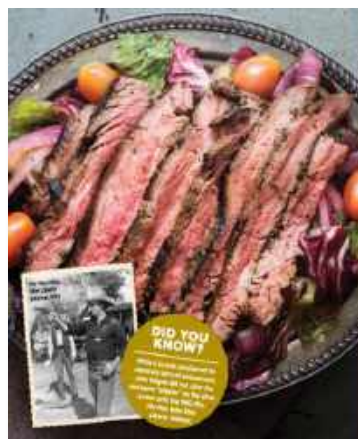
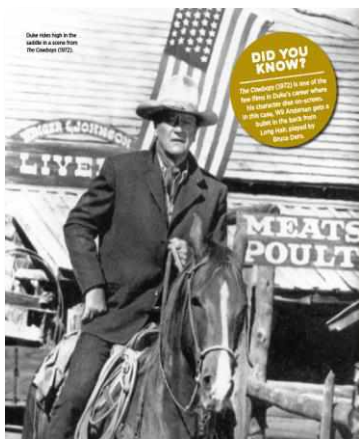
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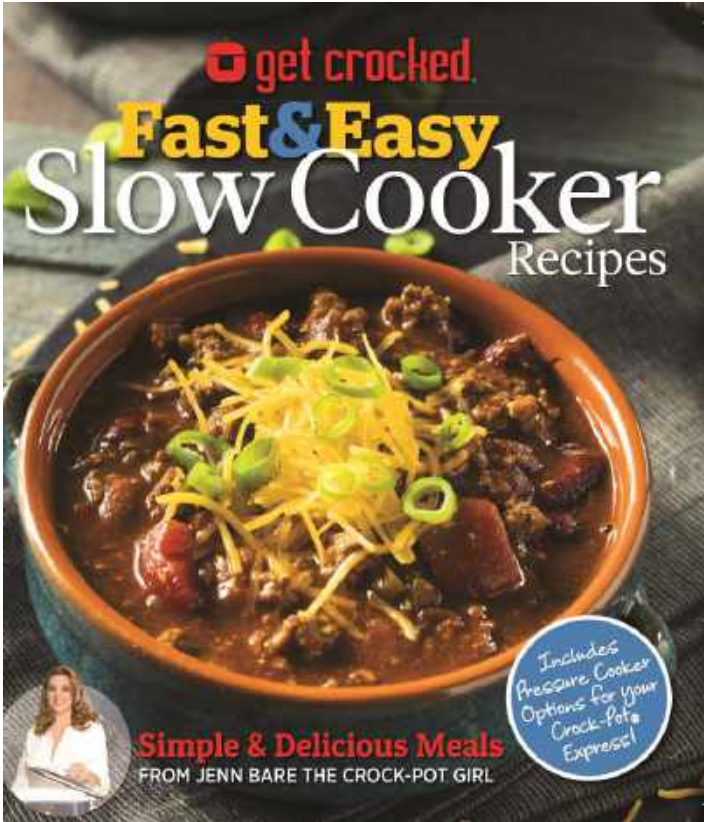


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# Get Crocked Fast & Easy Slow Cooker Recipes

## Simple & Delicious Meals



### Breakfast Bread Pudding

Syrupy and sweet, this mouth-watering meal will bring you back to crock pot days with its apple overtones and cinnamon spice.

**YIELD:** 8 servings | **SLOW COOK TIME:** 1 hour | **EXPRESS COOK TIME:** 30 minutes

**Ingredients:**

- 1/2 c. 1/2-in. French bread, cubed
- 3 large Granny Smith apples, peeled and chopped
- 1/2 c. ground cinnamon
- 1/2 c. ground allspice
- 1/2 c. brown sugar, packed
- 1/2 c. oil
- 2 c. evaporated milk
- 1/2 c. water
- 1/2 c. extra-mild cheddar
- 1/2 c. breakfast sausage, cooked and crumbled

**Directions:**

- Cover the inside of a 4-quart slow cooker.
- Press half of the bread cubes into the bottom of the cooker.
- Combine the apples, cinnamon, allspice, brown sugar and salt.
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**FAST:**

- Cover a Dutch oven with pan.
- Press half of the bread cubes into the bottom of the prepared pan.
- Combine the apples, cinnamon, allspice, brown sugar and salt in a mixing bowl. Stir and the milk, water and maple syrup to the bowl and mix well.

**SLOW:**

- Press half of the apple mixture over the bread in a springform pan. Gently press down on the apples to ensure the liquid is absorbed by the bread. Spread half of the mixture over the remaining bread. Top the bread with the remaining mixture, followed by the remaining apple mixture. Again, gently press on the apple to ensure the liquid is absorbed by the bread. Cover with lid.
- Place 1 c. water in the bottom of the Crock-Pot Express and place the lid on top. Carefully place the pan on top of the timer. Cover and lock lid. Cook on Multicook setting (High Pressure) for 20 minutes.
- Remove steamer for 10 minutes. Then carefully remove lid. Cool for 5 minutes before serving.

### Butternut Squash Casserole

Fluffy and creamy with a little crunch, this will melt in your mouth.

**YIELD:** 8 portions | **SLOW COOK TIME:** 1 hour 45 minutes to 7 hours 30 minutes | **EXPRESS COOK TIME:** 1 hour 20 minutes

**Ingredients:**

- 2 medium butternut squash, peeled and cut into chunks
- 1/2 c. coconut
- 2 eggs
- 1/2 c. milk
- 2 T. butter
- 1/2 c. salt extract
- 1/2 c. ground cinnamon
- 1/2 c. ground nutmeg

**Directions:**

- Cover squash with water in a large sauté pan. Bring to a boil.
- Boil for 10-15 minutes or until tender. Drain.
- Place squash in a medium bowl. Using an immersion blender, blend until smooth. Mix remaining ingredients and heat well into the squash.
- Preheat oven to 350°F.
- Remove lid and allow squash to cook on a cooking sheet. Carefully cut squash lengthwise and scoop out seeds. Scoop out lid and place in bowl. Heat until smooth. Blend in remaining ingredients. Butter an ungreased 8x8 inch square or similar size pan. Pour in mixture. Cover with lid.
- Pour 1/2 water in the bottom of the cooker. Set dial on top of timer and close and lock the lid. Cook on Low for 1 hour 45 minutes. Chk setting for 1 minute with 10 minutes. Remove lid.

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**SLOW:**

- Transfer the wild rice, chicken, celery, onion, carrots, mushrooms, chicken stock and seasonings into a 4-quart slow cooker. Cover and cook on LOW for 2 1/2 hours.
- Carefully remove chicken from the slow cooker and shred with fork. Transfer the shredded chicken back to the cooker.
- When wild rice and chicken are done cooking, mix the butter into a sauté pan. Gently add butter and oil until incorporated. Let the mixture bubble for 1 minute.
- Stir the wild rice and chicken into the mixture. Once oil is heated, add the celery, onion and carrots. Heat 2 minutes.
- Add rice and stir well. Heat, and in 2 minutes they add chicken, onion and mushrooms.
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### Chicken and Wild Rice Soup

One bowl of this warm, comforting soup will fill you up.

**YIELD:** 10 portions | **SLOW COOK TIME:** 7 to 8 hours | **EXPRESS COOK TIME:** 15 minutes

**Ingredients:**

- 1 c. wild rice, uncooked, rinsed
- 1/2 c. chicken, skinned, chicken breasts
- 1/2 c. of any washed and chopped
- 1 medium onion, chopped
- 2 carrots, peeled and chopped
- 1/2 c. (chick) peas, drained
- 1/2 c. milk
- 1/2 c. salt extract
- 1/2 c. chicken stock
- 1/2 c. white wine

**Directions:**

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# Comfort and Joy

## Homestyle Kitchen Classics



**WHEN WE THINK OF COMFORT FOOD**, we think of the kitchens of our childhoods and the dishes we can't wait to pass on to the next generation.

When we need a pick-me-up, or the winter weather is too bleak, or we simply aren't at our best, they soothe us better than any other foods.

**BREAKFAST**

### Nutty Granola

The slow cooker is a great way to make granola. You don't have to worry about the morsets burning, and it's so simple to make.

**MAKES 14 CUPS**

**INGREDIENTS**

- 6 cups old-fashioned rolled oats
- 3 cups coarsely chopped salted mixed nuts
- 2 cups unsweetened flaked coconut
- 1/2 cup packed brown sugar
- 1/2 cup maple syrup
- 1 cup melted butter
- 2 tsp cinnamon
- 1 Tbsp vanilla
- 1/2 tsp salt
- 1 cup golden raisins
- 1 cup dried currants
- 1 cup dried cranberries

**DIRECTIONS**

1. In a 6-quart slow cooker, combine the oats, nuts and coconut and stir to mix.
2. In a medium bowl, combine the brown sugar, maple syrup, butter, cinnamon, vanilla and salt and mix well. Stir this mixture into the slow cooker.
3. Put the lid on the slow cooker but leave it ajar so that steam can escape. Cook for 2 to 2 1/2 hours, stirring every 30 minutes or until the granola is fragrant and light golden brown.
4. Stir in the raisins, currants and cranberries until combined.
5. Put the granola onto two large cookie sheets to cool. When it is cool, break it up into chunks and store in an airtight container for up to 1 week.

### Cherry Turnover Strata

This recipe has more texture than most slow cooker stratas because of the turnovers, which are made with puff pastry. More cherries are layered with the turnovers, and everything is sprinkled with some cinnamon streusel. Yum!

**MAKES 6-8 SERVINGS**

**INGREDIENTS**

- 12 cherry turnovers, cubed
- 2 cups pitted fresh or frozen cherries
- 1 cup dried cherries
- 9 large eggs
- 1 1/2 cups milk
- 1/2 cup brown sugar, plus 1/2 cup for topping
- 1 1/2 cups rolled oats
- 1 cup chopped pecans
- 1 tsp cinnamon
- 1/2 cup melted butter

**DIRECTIONS**

1. Spray a 6-quart slow cooker with nonstick baking spray containing flour. Layer the turnovers, cherries and dried cherries in the slow cooker.
2. In a medium bowl, beat together the eggs, milk and 1/2 cup brown sugar until combined. Pour into the slow cooker. Cover and let stand for 30 minutes or cover and refrigerate the slow cooker insert overnight.
3. When you're ready to cook the strata, in another medium bowl, combine the oats, pecans, 1/2 cup brown sugar and cinnamon and mix. Add the melted butter and stir until crumbly. Sprinkle this mixture on top of the strata in the slow cooker.
4. Cover and cook on low for 5 to 6 hours or until the strata is puffed and set.

### Apple Cranberry Strata

This strata is a great breakfast casserole to make any day of the week, but it's also special enough for company.

**MAKES 6-8 SERVINGS**

**INGREDIENTS**

- 1 cup dried cranberries
- 1/2 cup apple juice
- 1 Tbsp rum, optional
- 2 cups whole milk
- 1 cup light cream
- 4 eggs
- 1/2 cup brown sugar
- 2 tsp vanilla
- 1/2 tsp kosher salt
- 7 large day-old croissants
- 2 Granny Smith apples, peeled and diced
- Maple Syrup for serving, optional

**DIRECTIONS**

1. In a small microwave-safe bowl, combine the cranberries and apple juice. Microwave on high for 1 minute. Remove and let cool for 15 minutes. Stir in the rum, if using.
2. In a large bowl, combine the milk, cream, eggs, brown sugar, vanilla and salt and whisk until smooth.
3. Spray a 4-quart slow cooker with nonstick baking spray containing flour.
4. Cut the croissants into three pieces each. Put 1/2 of the croissants in the bottom of the slow cooker.
5. Add 1/2 of the milk mixture and top with some of the dried cranberry mixture and the apples. Repeat layers twice.
6. Cover the insert and chill in the refrigerator for at least 4 hours, up to 24 hours.
7. Put the insert into the slow cooker, cover and cook on low for 7 to 8 hours or until the mixture registers 160 degrees F on a thermometer. Serve with maple syrup if desired.

**APPS & SNACKS**

### Sweet & Sour Sausages

Little cooked sausages are a classic and this sweet and sour sauce makes the dish something special.

**MAKES 6 SERVINGS**

**INGREDIENTS**

- 1 Tbsp butter
- 1 onion, chopped
- 3 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 cup cocktail sauce
- 1/2 cup orange marmalade
- 2 Tbsp lemon juice
- 2 Tbsp brown sugar
- 2 Tbsp Worcestershire sauce
- 3 lb small cooked cocktail sausage links
- 2 Tbsp cornstarch
- 2 Tbsp water

**DIRECTIONS**

1. In a small saucepan, melt the butter over medium heat. Add the onion and garlic; stir until tender, about 4 minutes. Put into a 4-quart slow cooker.
2. Add the cocktail sauce, orange marmalade, lemon juice, brown sugar, and Worcestershire sauce and stir until blended. Stir in the sausage links.
3. Cover and cook on low for 4 to 5 hours or until the sausages are heated to 160 degrees F. Turn the slow cooker to high.
4. In a small bowl, combine the cornstarch and water. Stir into the slow cooker. Cook for 10 to 15 minutes longer or until the sauce is thickened.

### Rich & Spicy Meatballs

Meatball appetizers in the slow cooker are common, but this recipe will take everyone by surprise. It's sweet, sour, spicy and incredibly rich with apricots, tomatoes and ginger.

**MAKES 8 SERVINGS**

**INGREDIENTS**

- 1/2 cup apricot preserves
- 1/4 cup chopped dried apricots
- 1/2 cup tomato sauce
- 1 large tomato, seeded and chopped
- 2 Tbsp lemon juice
- 1 Tbsp low-sodium soy sauce
- 1 Tbsp grated fresh ginger root
- 1/2 tsp cayenne pepper
- 1 (20-oz) package frozen meatballs

**DIRECTIONS**

1. Combine the preserves, dried apricots, tomato sauce, tomato, lemon juice, soy sauce, ginger root and pepper in a 4-quart slow cooker.
2. Stir in the meatballs to coat.
3. Cook, covered, on low for 5 to 6 hours or until the meatballs are heated to 160 degrees F.

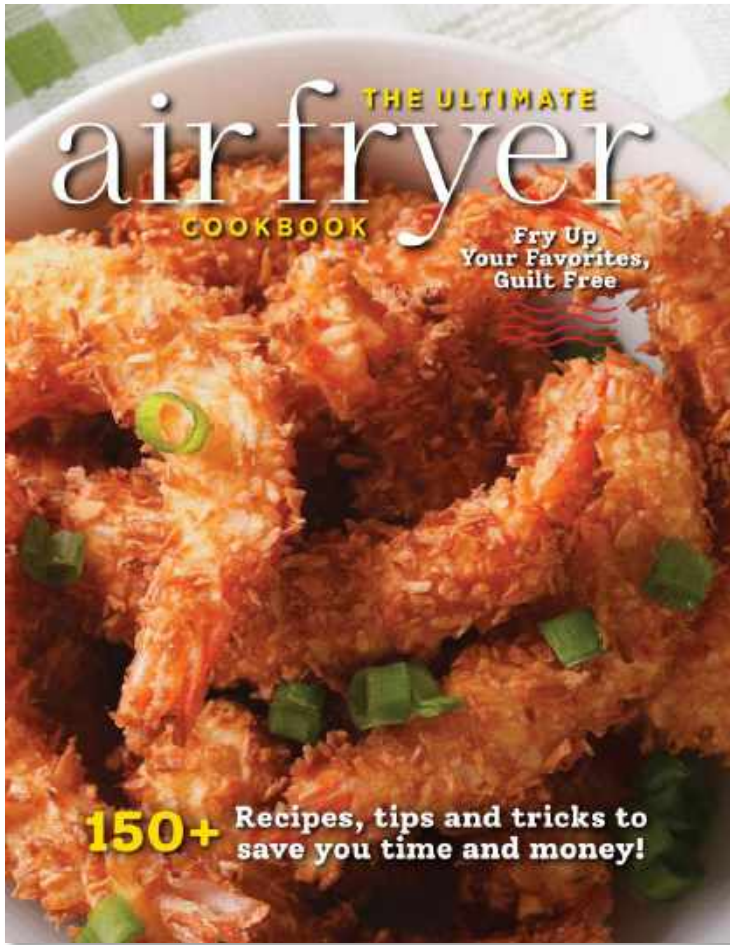
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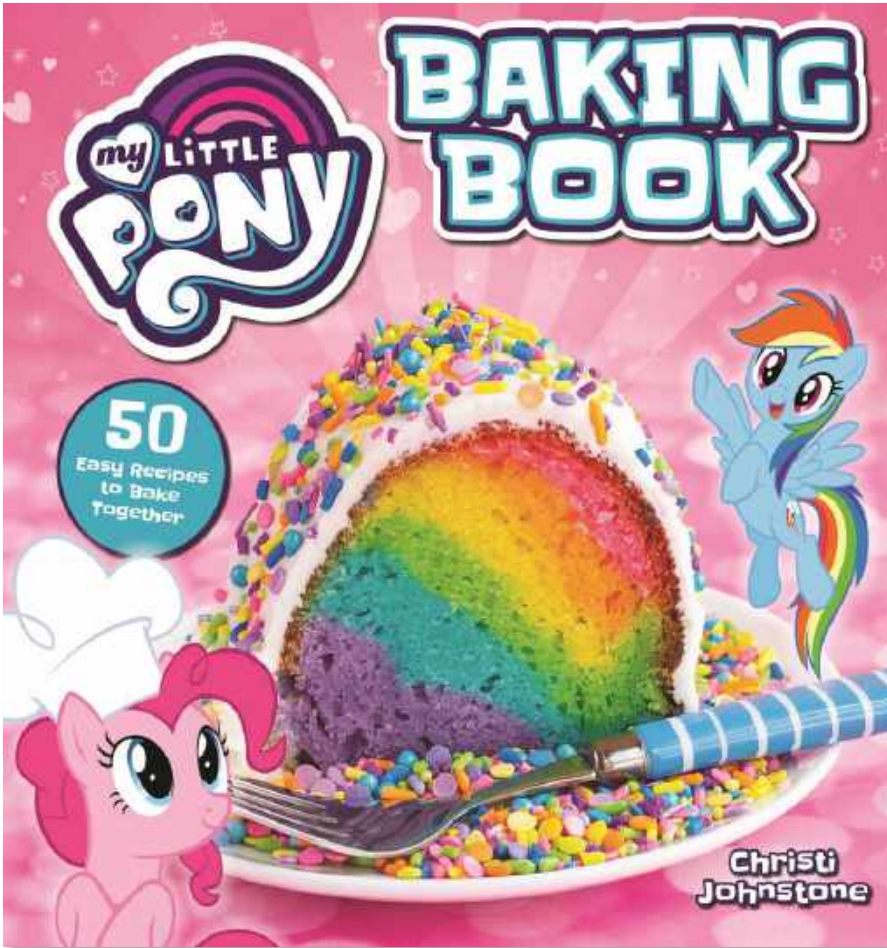
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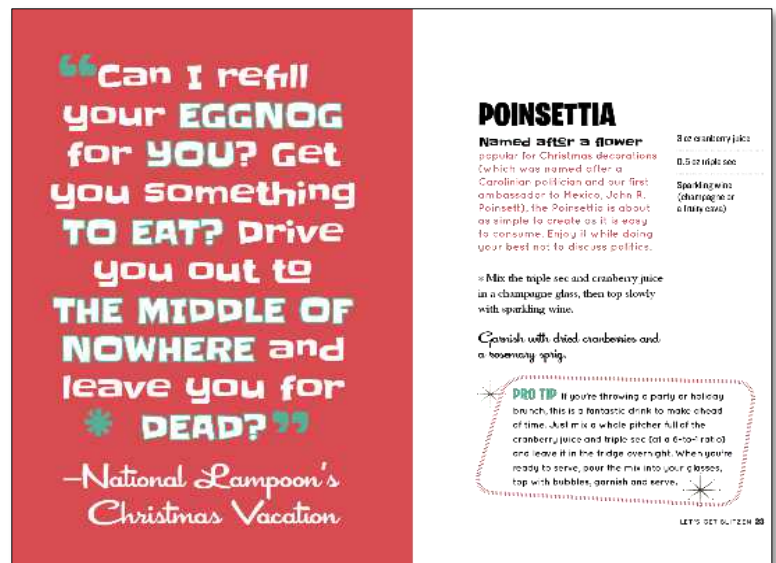
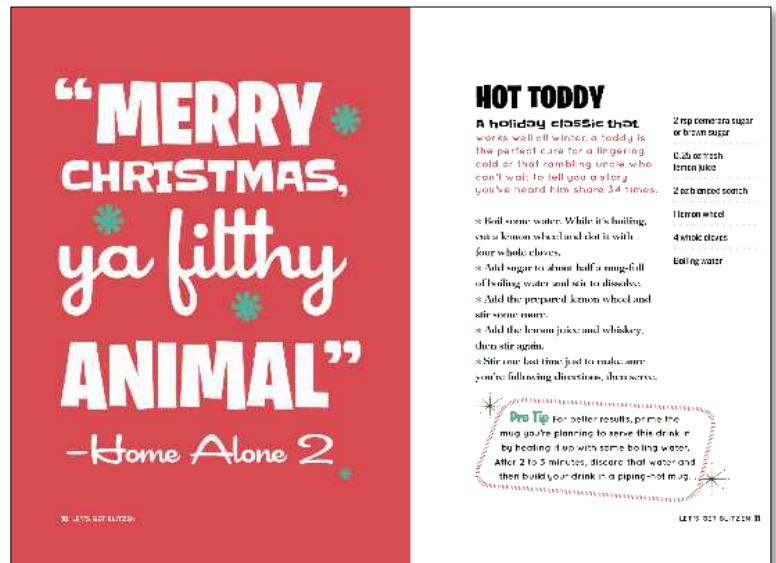


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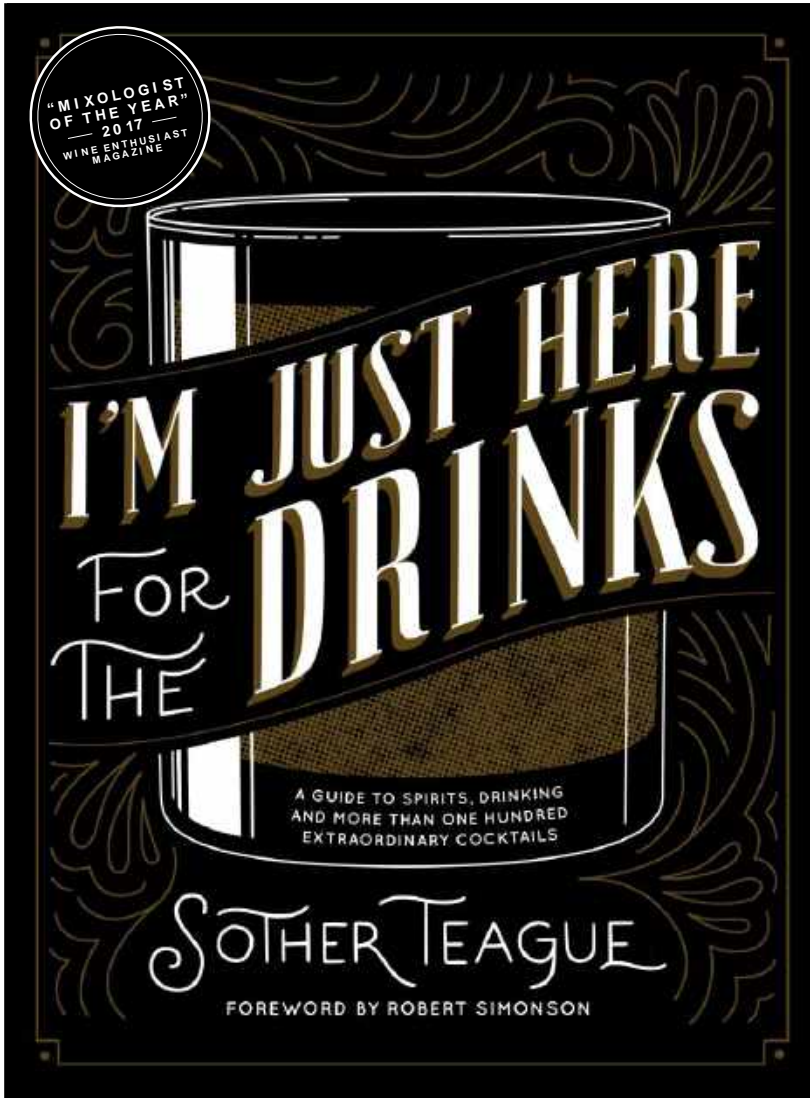


An original holiday cocktail book from bestselling author and award-winning mixologist Sother Teague! The only festive cocktail book you'll need to celebrate this holiday season, *Let's Get Blitzen* features more than 60 easy-to-follow recipes, tips and tricks crafted by Sother Teague, Wine Enthusiast Mixologist of the Year and author of the bestselling mixology classic *I'm Just Here for the Drinks*. It's just what you need to ensure that you and your friends and family have a very happy alcohol holiday.

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# ON WHISK(E)Y

Getting to know rye, bourbon, Moonshine and more.

**S**taying true to our core analogy, whiskey (or whisky, if you're in Canada, Scotland or Japan) is simply "vodka" made from a "beer" of fermented cereal grains—most commonly wheat, corn, barley and/or rye—and typically aged in brand-new, charred barrels from either American or European oak. Unlike their counterparts in the vodka industry, whisk(e)y distillers aren't aiming to create a neutral, odorless, flavorless spirit—they distill in a way that allows the distillate to retain a bit of the wash's flavor, a cereal grain scent that is refined or evolves completely over the course of the aging process.

The great thing about American whiskey is that unlike so many other categories, there are clearly defined rules and regulations defining production. This levels the playing field for comparison's sake, meaning unlike gin (where you're looking at different distillers who can add any number of botanicals to their distillate in order to influence its flavor) when you compare one bourbon to the next, you're comparing apples to apples. Er, corn to corn.

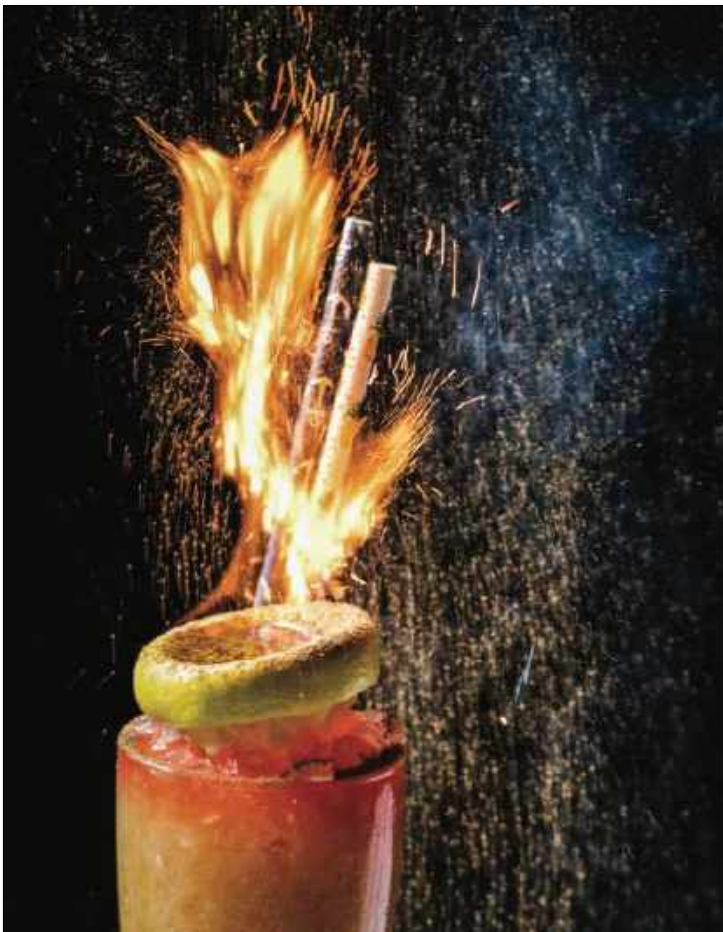
Given the space allowed, I'm going to stick mostly to American whiskey and touch on scotch whisky a bit later as I feel a deep connection to both, being an American of Scottish descent. I unfortunately don't have the space to dive too deep into Japanese, Irish or Canadian whisk(e)y (although I'd gladly swim in a vat of all three) except to say the Japanese make whisky in the Scotch style and are narrowing—and in some comparisons leaping over—the gap with

their counterparts in Scotland. The Irish have mastered the use of the pot still and have rebounded from the crash of the late 1800s, which stripped the country from 88 distilleries to only three.

That number has since grown to 18, making Irish whiskey one of the fastest growing categories year over year since 1990. And, though I'll likely piss someone off, the entire Canadian whisky biz is built on a foundation of lies. When Prohibition began, those wily Canucks took advantage of their fellow North Americans' love for rye whiskey and started calling pretty much anything they distilled that was brown "rye"—even though it contained very little rye grains. This practice has gone unchecked for nearly a century. Do Canadians think we're stupid? Don't answer that.

Whisk(e)y is where I got my start as a drinker. My dad was an American whiskey drinker, and my granddad was a whisky man (they drank Jack Daniels and Cutty Sark, respectively). They were regular joes with modest tastes—a sensibility I still appreciate. To me, the scent of whisk(e)y is a homecoming. It may surprise even those close to me to learn I didn't have my first drink until I was 22 years old. A tee-totaling Straight Edge as a youth, I rebelled against my parents by not participating in their chosen habits. But, at 22, I tried my first beer: a Guinness. My first experiment with the harder stuff was Absolut vodka, neat, and I drank it that way for more than a year. But then I found whisk(e)y. I'm not lucky enough to remember

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## Rough Seas

**I'm often asked** to create cocktails for events and parties and to add my particularly bitter slant to them. Tiki by the Sea is an annual event held on the Jersey shore in a small town called Wildwood. This educational and informational gathering is hosted by Aris Cachaca at a small, family-owned hotel and attended by cocktail professionals with a love of or interest in Tiki culture. When Jägermeister asked me to not only make a drink but also to present it at the event, I jumped at the chance. Grassy and funky cachaca combined with sharp ginger syrup and smooth nutty oregat is a delicious start. The addition of Jägermeister, with its flavors of grapefruit peel, ginger and sauté really toss the temper. Bitter aromatics from Peychaud's serve not only as flavor but also step in as garnish as well when used to paint the pebble ice. It's as beautiful to look at as it is tasty to drink and though it's Rough Seas, it'll be smooth sailing.

### MAKE YOUR OWN PEBBLE ICE

A handful of drink recipes within (and without) this book call for pebble ice. There are numerous reasons for this, among them that it thaws drinks much faster than larger cubes, which is the goal for a drink like the Mini Julep (pg 71) or the Rough Seas. So what do you do if you don't have a machine that manufactures the stuff? Wash a large zip-top bag, fill it with ice cubes,

wrap the whole thing in a thick towel and start cracking it against a counter until the ice breaks up. The towel should keep the ice from wearing through the bag. Alternatively, you can use a wooden hammer or a sturdy (and non-toxic) bag like you might find at a bank or in an office supply store, as they're practically guaranteed to be tough to make a lot of pebbles out of, so to keep it

from melting you'll need to store it in your freezer where it will inevitably morph back into larger chunks of ice. Of course all you need to do then is repeat the cycle and break that stuff up. If that sounds like too much work, you can go with the crushed ice function on a fancy refrigerator, try a rough chop with a blender or purchase a consumer grade pebble ice maker as you'll never have to hammer a bag again.

- 7/8 oz ginger syrup (pg 244)
- 7/8 oz oregat (pg 246)
- 7/8 oz lemon juice
- 1 oz Jägermeister
- 1 oz cachaca
- 1 oz Peychaud's

Henry Daskal of Popshrub's Kitchens

Who whisks with a fine pebble. Pour over fruit pebble ice in a rocks glass. Finish with a dash of the same color and paint with Peychaud's.

If you're interested in attempting the deep presentation seen at left, fill the juice-pebble rim of half a liter with ice, then top it with a textured lighter or high-proof vodka. Dash with cayenne for a warming effect.

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# Find Your Wine

*A Fun and Easy Guide to Selecting the Right Wine, Every Time*



**THIS POPULIST GUIDE** to wine dispenses with the overly complex minutia associated with regions and varietals, and teaches readers how to select, describe, pair, buy and discuss wine with ease and confidence using simple flavor profiles.

**Unique Selling Point:** This book is designed for readers who love wine, and want to know how to choose wines with skill and insight, but find the complexities of the subject overwhelming and intimidating.

**Why Buy:** This guide takes the complex language associated with wine and boils it down to a simpler, more common approach focused on flavor above all else. It's a new approach to wine that anyone can master in a short period of time, presented in an inexpensive, design-driven package. This is a book that beginner wine drinkers—and millennials, in particular—would find appealing. Wine is the favored drink of millennials, who drink almost half of the wine available in the U.S., even though millennials only comprise one quarter of the adults over 21 in the U.S. (per the Wine Market Council). *Business Insider* reports that millennials' demand for on-demand wine has "led to the rise of wine delivery and check-in apps, as well as products that promote convenience, like wine sold in a can."



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WINE BASICS

# 3 STEPS TO BUYING BETTER WINE

Talk to someone who knows more than you do.

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## FIND A GOOD WINE STORE

Be it from word-of-mouth recommendations, online reviews or just checking out the stores in your neighborhood and seeing which one gives you the best vibe, having a good wine store with knowledgeable employees is key to trying a lot of good wines at a great price.



### Really—Don't Be Afraid to Ask Questions

"We all had to start somewhere, so if you think it's the stupidest question in the world, then you need to ask it because it's probably the greatest question. And I think working with a real professional, someone who's passionate about wine, they are absolutely going to love it. That's what they're there for. They welcome those kinds of questions and you're not only going to get the proper glass of wine that you're looking for—you're going to feel enhanced. You're going to feel stimulated from all the knowledge you just learned from that question you were afraid to ask in the first place." —Yannick Benjamin

2 ENGAGE IN CONVERSATION

Think of a wine shop employee like a cross between your hairdresser and a tour guide—good ones are people who you can trust, build a rapport with and help you discover new things. And remember, there are literally thousands of different producers, regions and kinds of wine, which makes it virtually impossible to be familiar with everything you see in any given shop unless you work there, so there's really no shame in asking questions.



3 THERE'S AN APP FOR THAT

Asking questions of people who are passionate about wine and who are dedicated to helping you find something great in your price range is ideal, but if you're in a rush or all the shop workers are busy, there are apps that can scan a wine label (or even a wine list) and give you reviews, average prices and suggested pairings—Rupal Shankar suggests *Vivino*, one of the more popular wine apps.

### You Probably Shouldn't Order Wine at a Bar

Unless you're at a wine bar, that is. According to Kevin Zraly: "At a bar, the last thing I'm going to do is order a glass of wine because they're just going to find the lowest common denominator—something that looks red, might not even be red but it looks red. As my girlfriend says, 'If I'm going to have one glass of wine a day, it's going to be good.' That should be a philosophy."



### By the Glass

If you're still trying to learn what kinds of wines you like, a restaurant or wine bar is not the cheapest place to do it. That being said, you can probably talk to the bartender, server or sommelier about what you like and sample a few different wines before settling on a glass.

According to Paul Grieco, "You're going to have to make two statements to that person. 'These are the types of wines I've had in the past and I really enjoy, and I would like something like that,' or 'These are the things that I don't like,' or 'I'm in a summery mood tonight and I would like a summery type of wine,' however you want to say it. That would be No. 1, and No. 2 would be your budget. And with those two pieces of information, the beverage director, the sommi, the server—whoever it is—can then go about their job, which they really love to do, and find something that's going to rock your world."

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TASTING NOTES **BOLD REDS**

## MALBEC

MALBEC is generally a more affordable choice than Cabernet Sauvignon, while still offering a full body and a lot of fruit.

### PRIMARY CHARACTERISTICS

**FRUIT** dark berries, black cherry, pomegranate, plum  
**OTHER** dark chocolate, coffee, leather, black pepper  
**TANNIN** medium  
**ACIDITY** medium

### PAIRINGS

Malbec's softer tannins means it pairs well with **grassy flavors**: dried bitter greens, broccoli and vinegar.



PRIOR TO PROHIBITION IN THE U.S., MALBEC WAS A POPULAR CHOICE FOR MAKING JUG WINE.



Malbec grown in Argentina is large bodied with lots of fruit. For some of the best examples, look for "Mendoza" on the label—a region near the Andes famous for its Malbec.



Malbec grown in France is typically drier, with slightly higher acidity. If you see the region "Cahors" on a label, that's (mostly) French Malbec.

### TRY IT WITH



A blue cheese burger

Peppered flank steak

A hard-boiled mystery

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TASTING NOTES **CRISP WHITES**

## ALBARIÑO

ALBARIÑO is a refreshing and citrusy pale white wine, similar to Pinot Grigio or a dry Riesling.

### PRIMARY CHARACTERISTICS

**FRUIT** lemon, grapefruit, honeysuckle  
**OTHER** saline, beeswax  
**ACIDITY** medium-high to high

### PAIRINGS

Albariño's high acidity and citrus flavors make it an excellent choice for seafood dishes.



PORTUGUESE BOTTLES MAY BE LABELED AS ALVARINHO OR CAÍNHU BRANCO.

Albariño is mostly produced in



Spain

You can also find Albariño from



California & Argentina & New Zealand

### TRY IT WITH



Pasta

Coconut tomatoes

A posidre nap

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## CHOOSE THE RIGHT WINE, EVERY TIME

- Fun approach to understanding wine, covering tastings, pairings, regions and more
- Makes learning easy, with infographics and bright, memorable visuals
- Foreword by Victoria James, Food & Wine's "Sommelier of the Year"

# Keto Recipe Publications

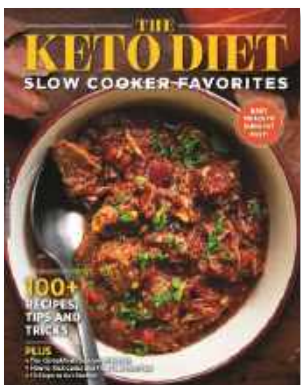
## 100-Page Recipe Publications



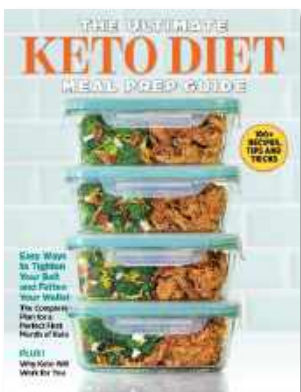
**SMALL STEPS** count when it comes to dieting, and in the following pages, we've outlined more than a hundred tips and tricks to get you started. Whether you're curious about the ketogenic diet or just looking for ways to make meal planning easier, we've included plenty of recipes you'll enjoy.



**AN ALL-IN-ONE** guide to the best keto diet plan for this year's beach months. Packed with recipes, tips, facts and more, this 100-page digest is a must-own for anyone jumping on the keto bandwagon this summer. By changing your diet, you can make your body a fat-burning machine, and this little book can help you on the way.



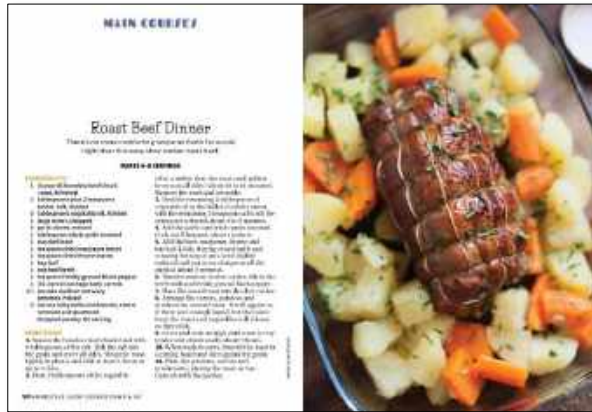
**THIS 100-PAGE**, pocket-sized version of your favorite keto slow cooker recipes features more than 100 recipes, tips and tricks to cook comforting, healthy dishes. In this digest, you'll get an explanation of the science behind keto, a guide to kicking carbs to the curb and dozens of delicious recipes to make going keto a breeze!



**MEAL PREPPING** is enjoying a moment in the spotlight: Americans from coast to coast have begun understanding the nutritional, personal and economic benefits of spending a day preparing elements of their meals at home in advance. Less stress during the work week, more money for splurges and emergencies and a rapidly decreasing waistline are all side effects of a solid meal prep strategy.



# 100-Page Recipe Publications



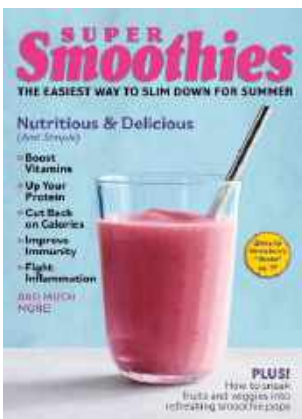
**A MUST-BUY** for anyone looking to cut down on their time in the kitchen but upgrade their family mealtimes nonetheless. Packed with easy recipes you can set and forget, dozens of mainstays to your weekly meal plans, as well as plenty of tips and tricks to get the most out of your slow cooker dinners.

**THE SUREST SIGN** that fall is around the corner isn't the chilly breezes or the shorter days—it's the telltale flavors in all of your favorite fall comfort foods. This title is packed with over 50 recipes, tips and tricks to spice up your autumn.



**FILLED WITH** both classic and modern fall favorites. Inside you'll find recipes for:

- Skillet Scalloped Potatoes
- Maple Bourbon Pecan Pie
- Hot Fudge Pudding Cake
- Homemade Pumpernickel Bread
- PLUS, Paul Hollywood's kitchen commandments to make baking a breeze!



A companion for anyone trying to incorporate more healthy ingredients into their daily life. Packed with recipes, health tips and tricks, and much, much more, this unique guide to the latest and most delicious on-the-go culinary trend.

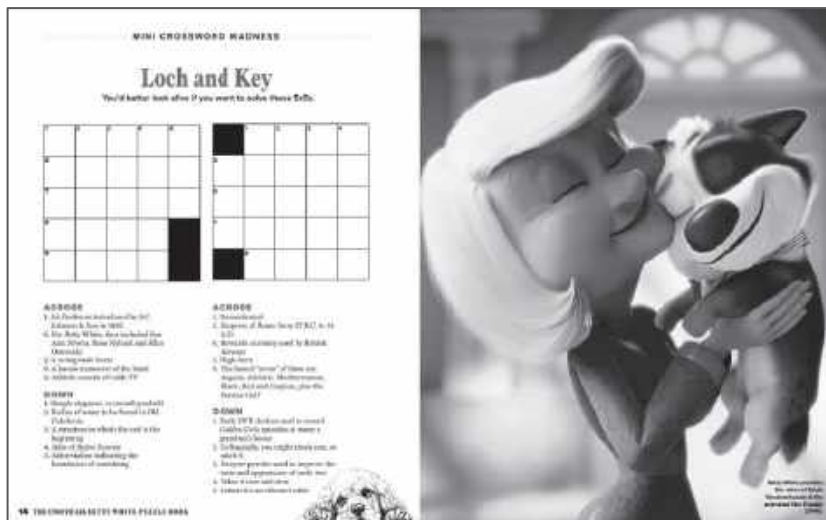
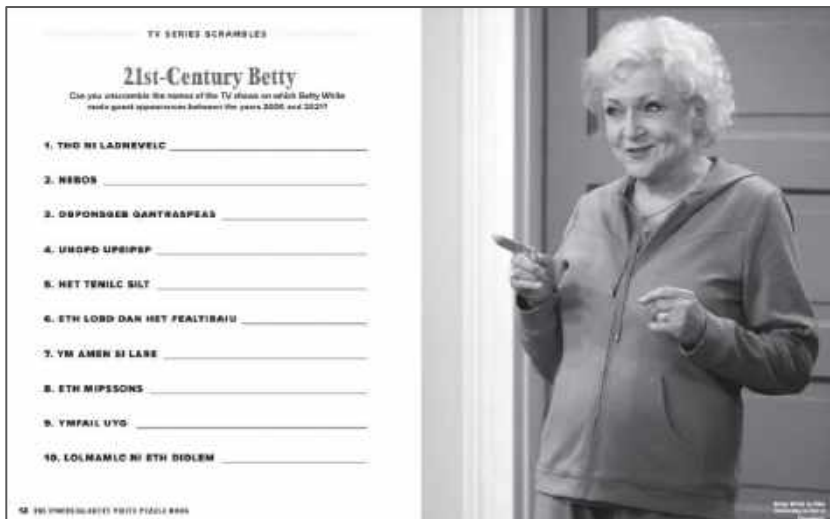
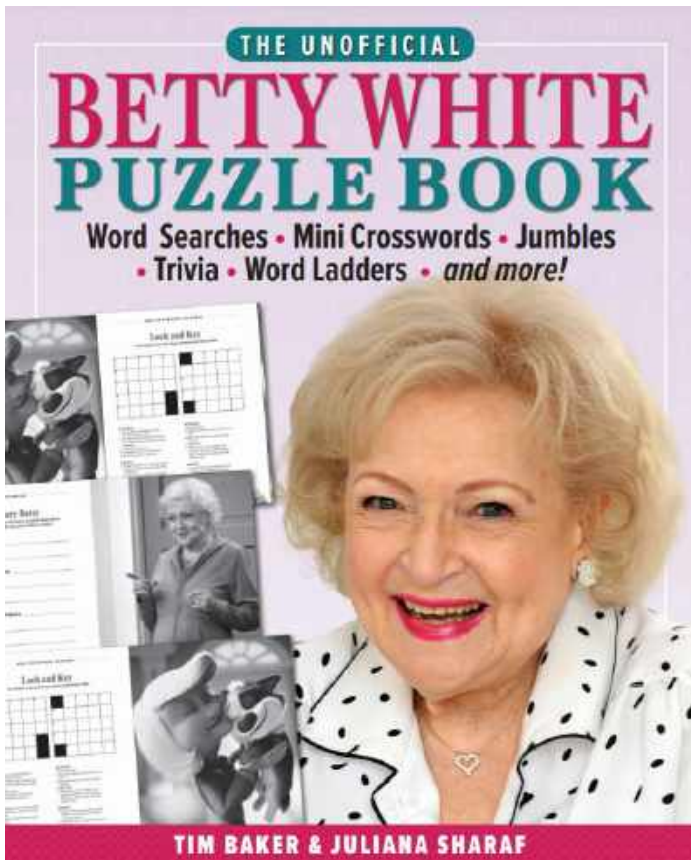


# Puzzles



# The Unofficial Betty White Puzzle Book

Word Searches, Mini Crosswords, Jumbles, Trivia, Word Ladders, and More



The Unofficial Betty White Puzzle Book is a puzzle-centric celebration of everything about Betty White that helped us smile, laugh, think and maybe even be a little kinder and happier at the end of the day. Inside, readers will find more than 150 pencil puzzles, covering everything from Betty's time on the Golden Girls and her history on game shows to her work with PETA and other charitable organizations.

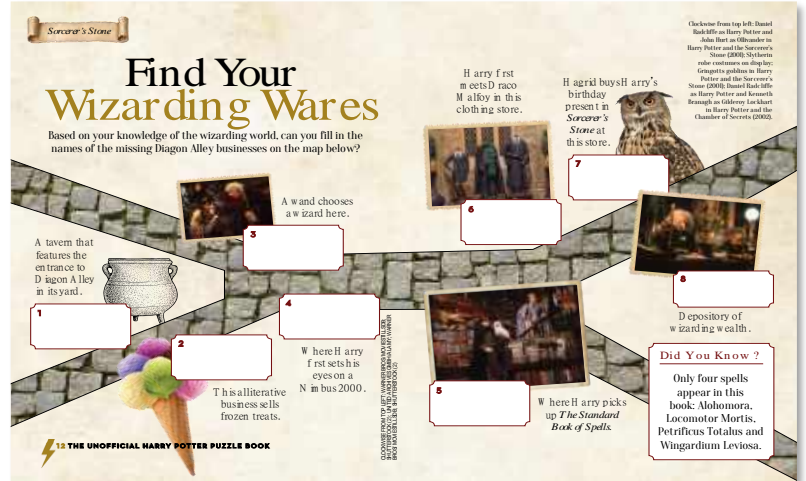
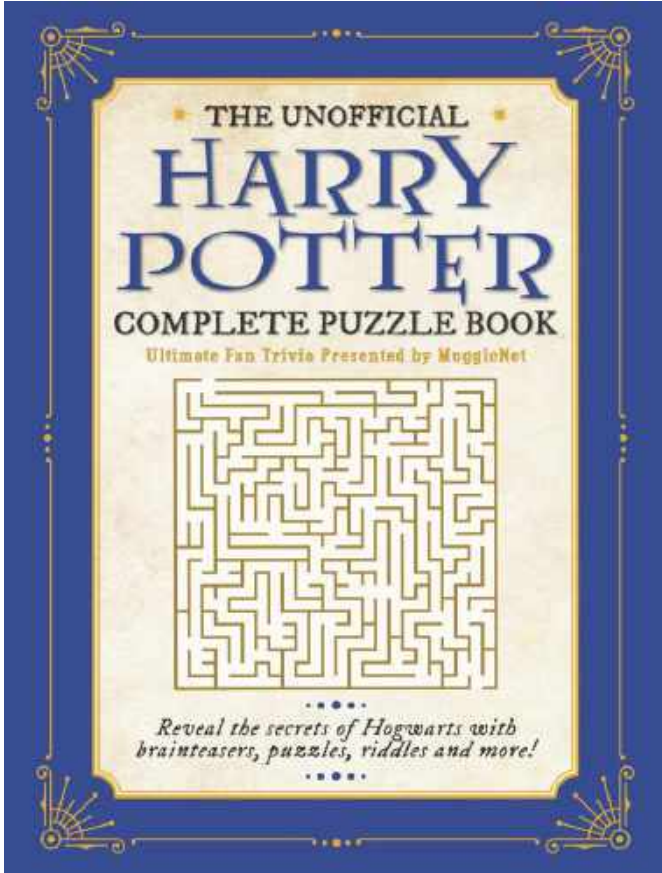
The book features mini-crosswords, word searches, jumbles, word ladders, trivia, and more. The book also features dozens of fun Betty White photos and trivia bursts throughout

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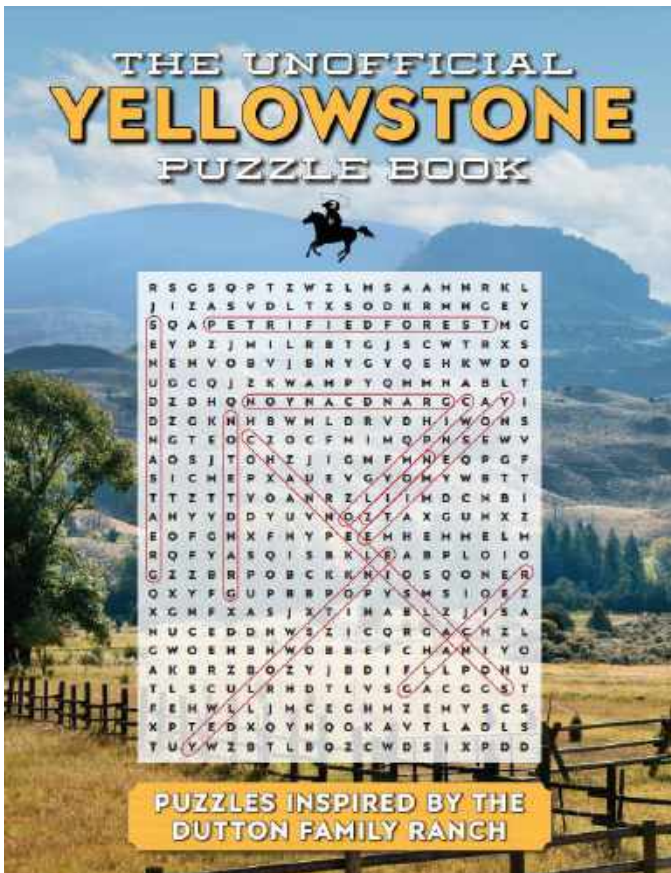
# TV / Movie Themed Puzzles



*The Unofficial Harry Potter Puzzle Book is a must-own addition to the collection of any fan of the world's favorite young wizard, presented by MuggleNet. Packed with challenging trivia, wizarding-themed puzzles and more unique ways to test your potter knowledge, this 100-page digest will satisfy even the most hardcore fan. MuggleNet is the #1 wizarding world fansite.*

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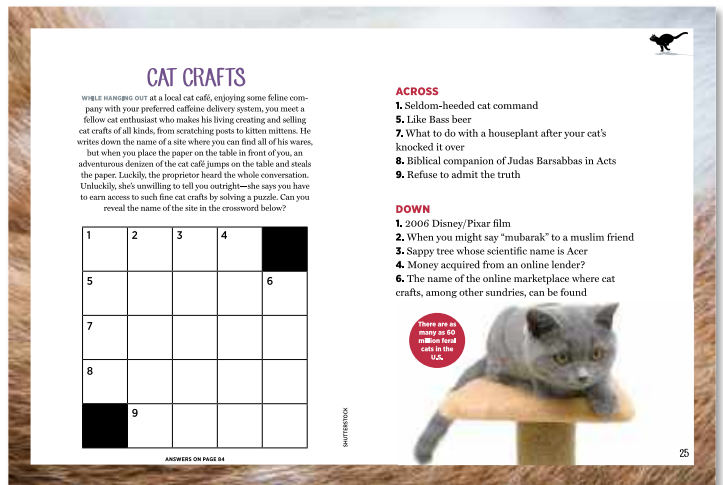
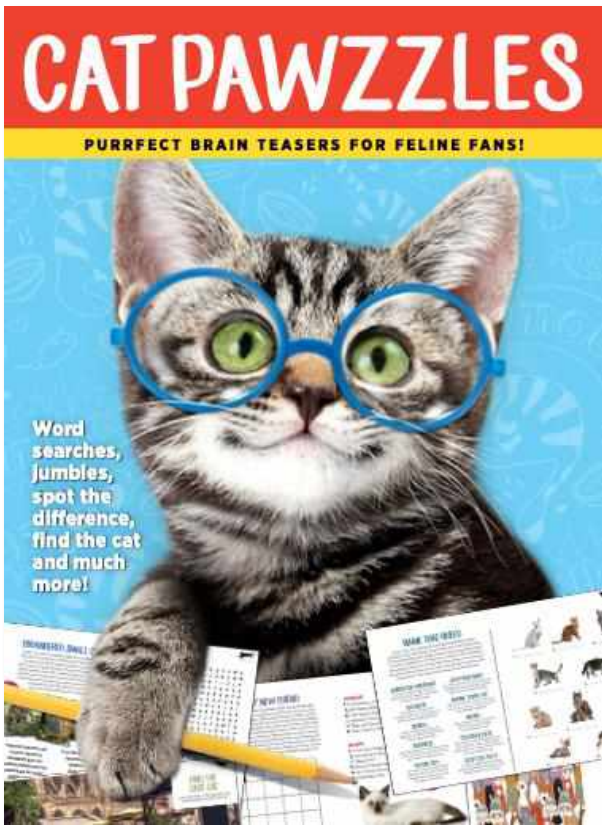
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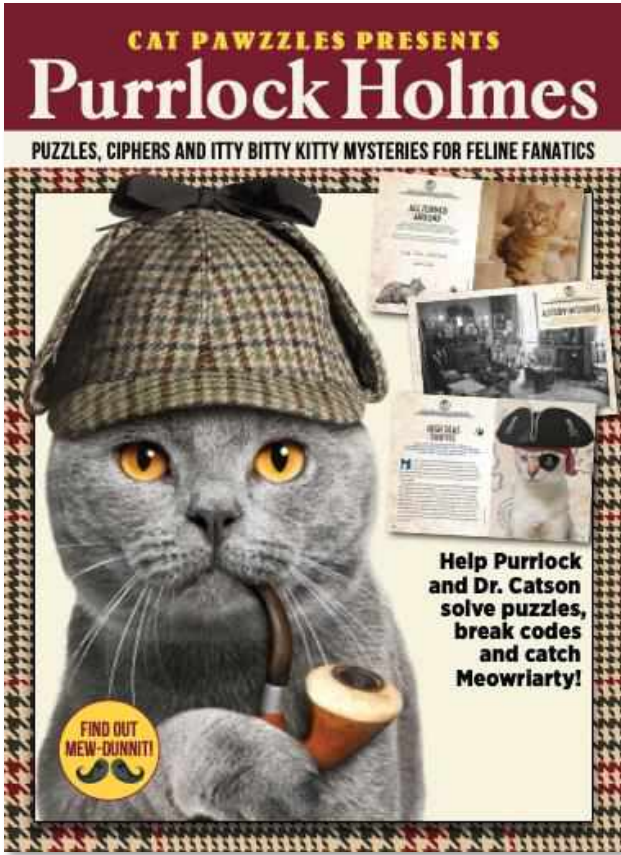
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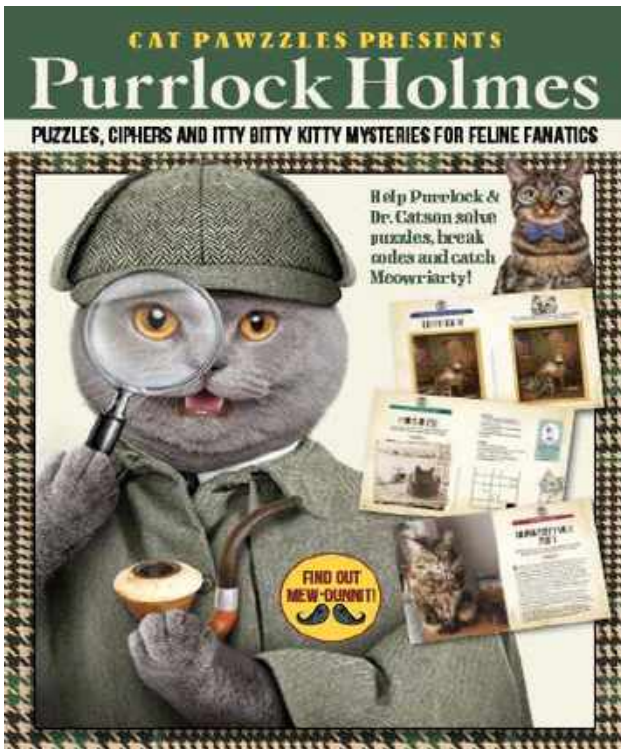
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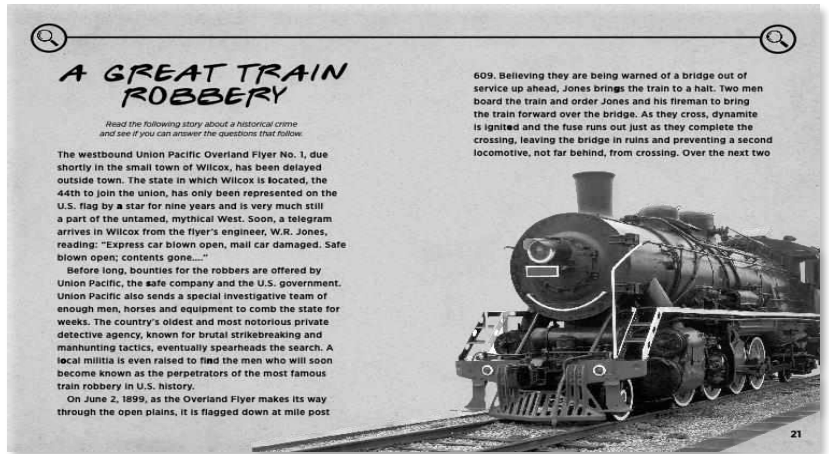
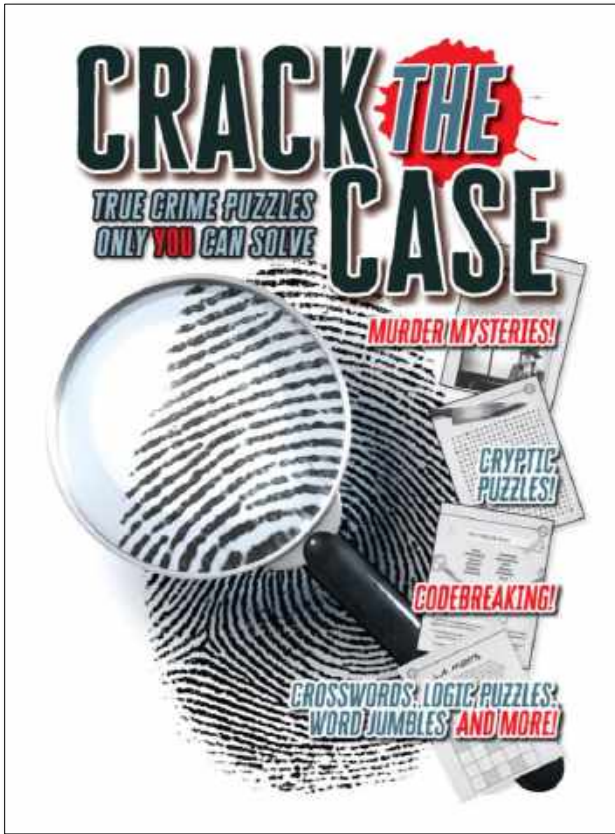
London's finest consulting cat-tective, Purrlock Holmes, is on the case again! Professor Meowriarty has dispatched his agents across London. With your help, Holmes and his trusted sidekick, Dr. Catson, can crack the codes, find the clues and solve the mystery. If you can solve each of the puzzles listed, each phase of Meowriarty's plan will reveal itself in turn. The game is afoot (err, a-paw) and there's no time to waste!

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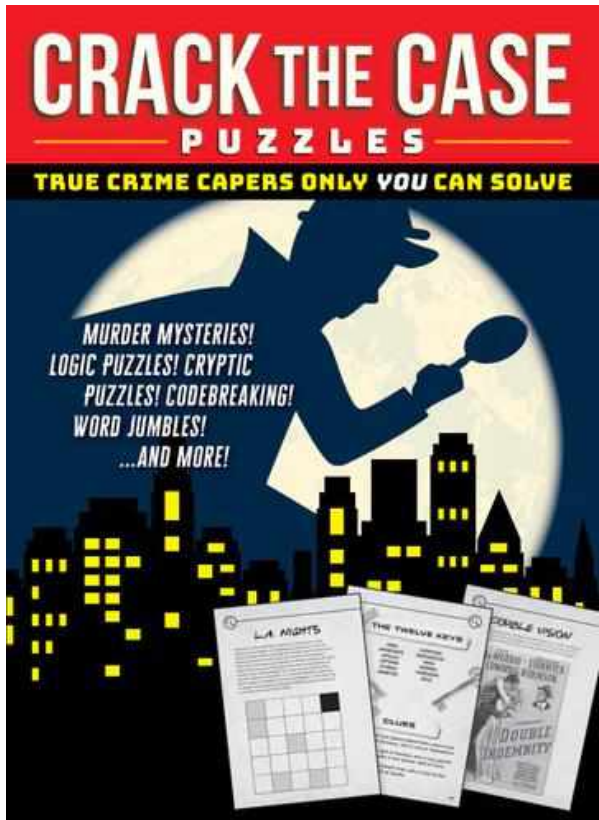
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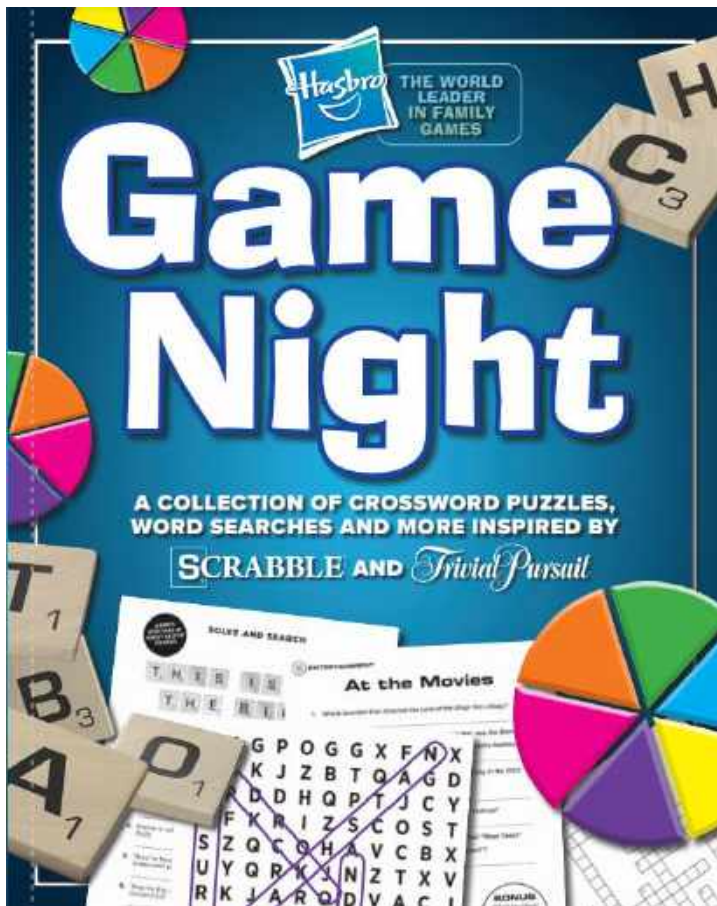


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**SCIENCE & NATURE**

### Amazing Animals

- The "milk" of which unappetizing insect could join the ranks with kale as our next superfood? \_\_\_\_\_
- What kind of fish did the angler in *The Old Man and the Sea* hook in Ernest Hemingway's masterpiece? \_\_\_\_\_
- What behavior do cats engage in that may promote healing, even while resting? \_\_\_\_\_
- Which wild animal was reintroduced into Yellowstone National Park in the mid 1990s? \_\_\_\_\_
- Saluki, Borzoi and Komondor are all breeds of what animal? \_\_\_\_\_
- What is a baby rat called? \_\_\_\_\_
- Which remarkable organ in squid is most similar to our own? \_\_\_\_\_
- Which breed of pooch was Lara, President Buchanan's pet, the largest dog to live in the White House to date? \_\_\_\_\_
- Which sea mammal uses stones to crack open shellfish? \_\_\_\_\_
- Which creature's long bill helps it to swim fast, up to an amazing 62 miles per hour? \_\_\_\_\_

**BONUS**  
 What is the name of the first animal cloned from an adult somatic cell?

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### GEORGE WASHINGTON (LANSDOWNE PORTRAIT) (1796)

BY GILBERT STUART

After the original was destroyed in London and England, artist Gilbert Stuart drew upon numerous depictions of great leaders and traditional clan portraits while painting the historic image of President George Washington, seated one year before the latter left office.

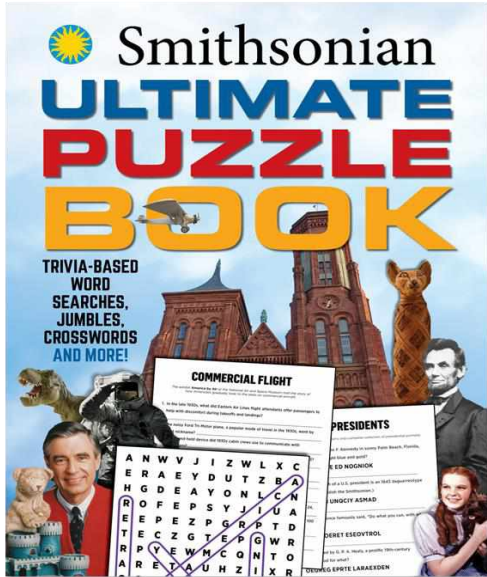



**FUN FACT**  
 The Lansdowne portrait has been on display since 1968.

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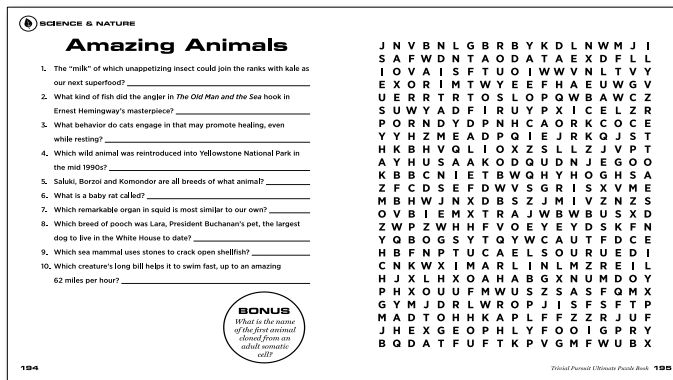
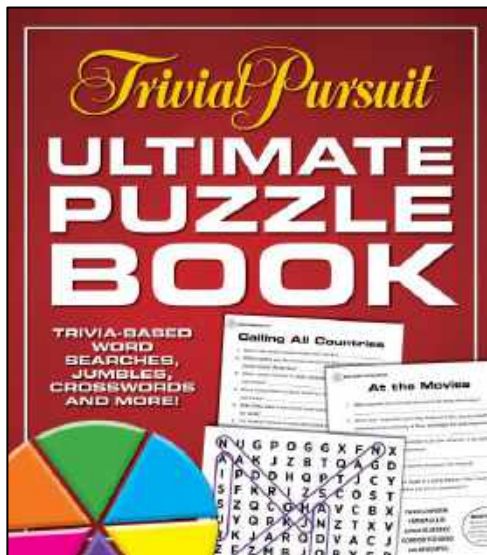


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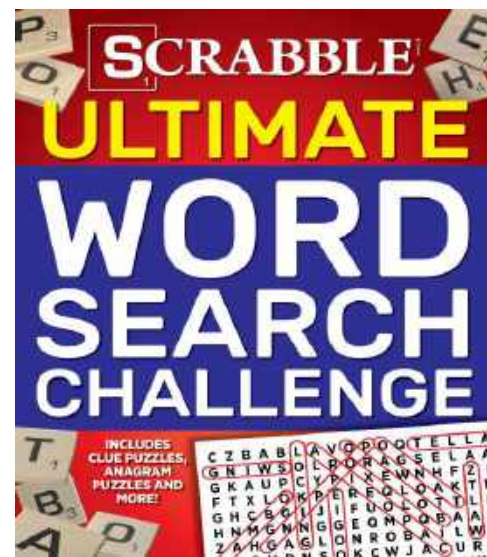
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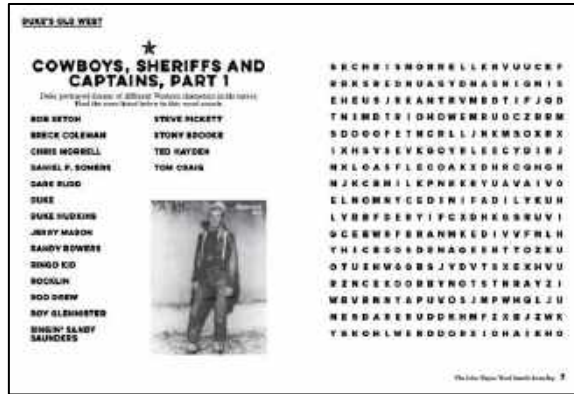
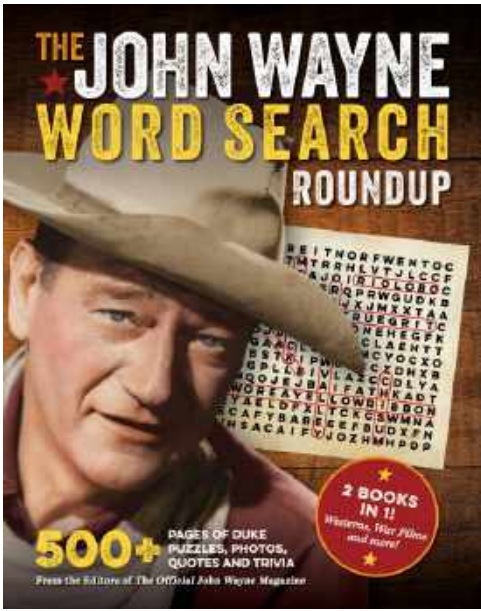
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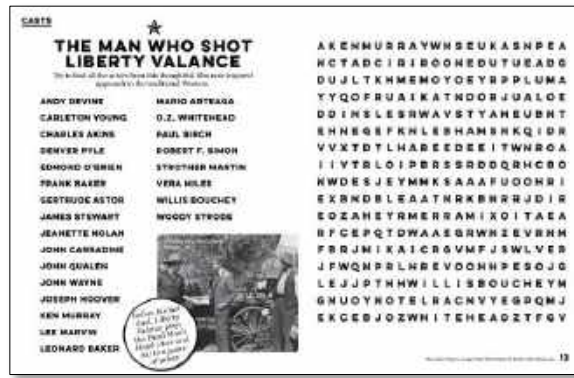
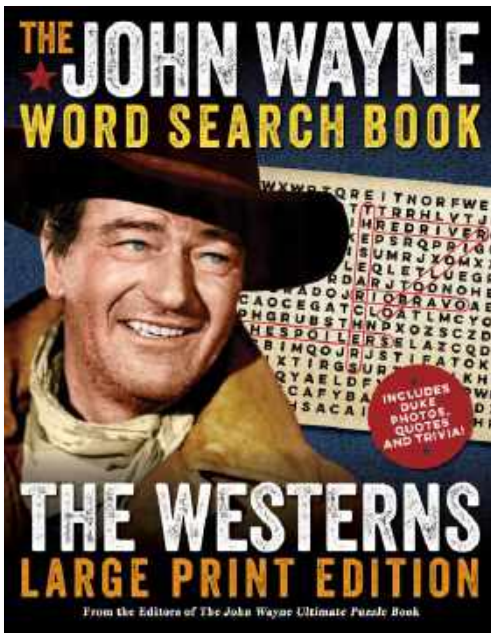


# John Wayne Official Word Search Books

## Duke-Themed Puzzle Favorites

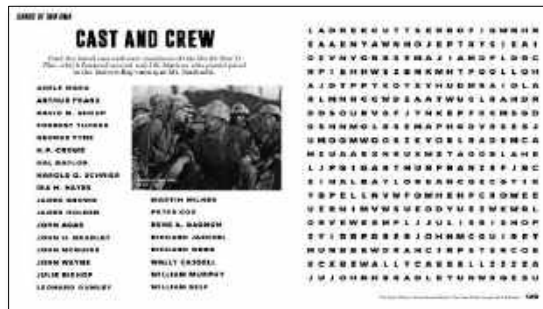
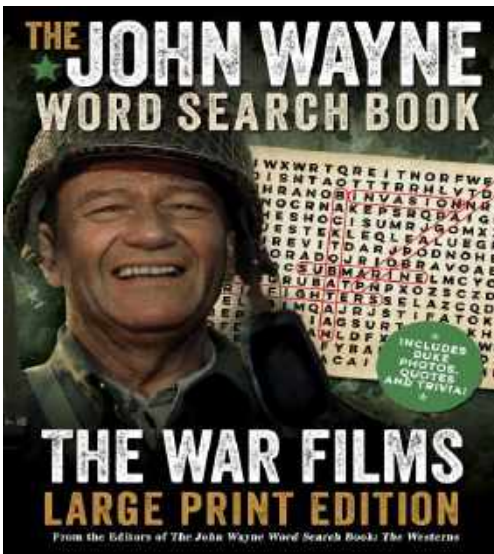


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**EACH PUZZLE** focuses on one of Duke's popular western movies, with hidden words detailing actors, characters, plot points, directors, awards and much more. John Wayne enthusiasts and Western movie lovers in general will find hours of fun to be had in this book.

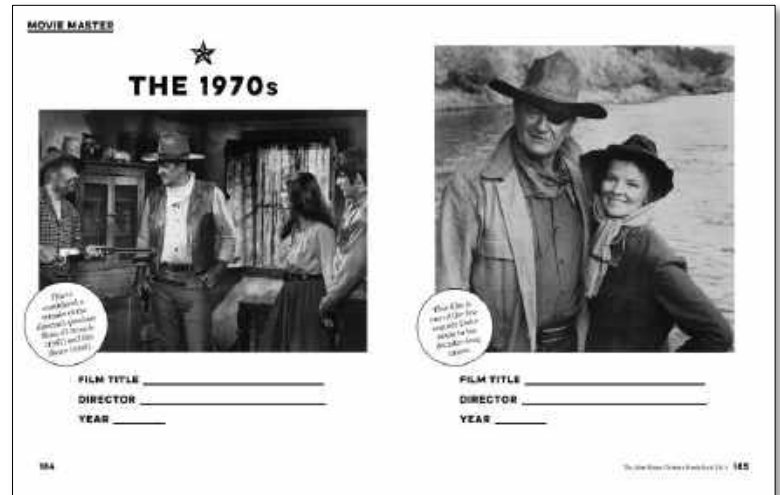
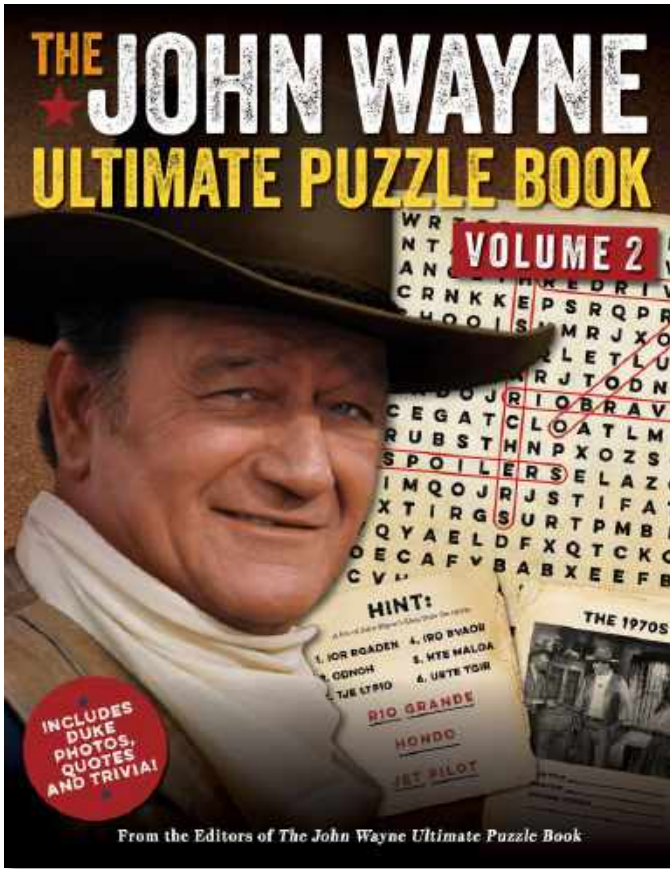


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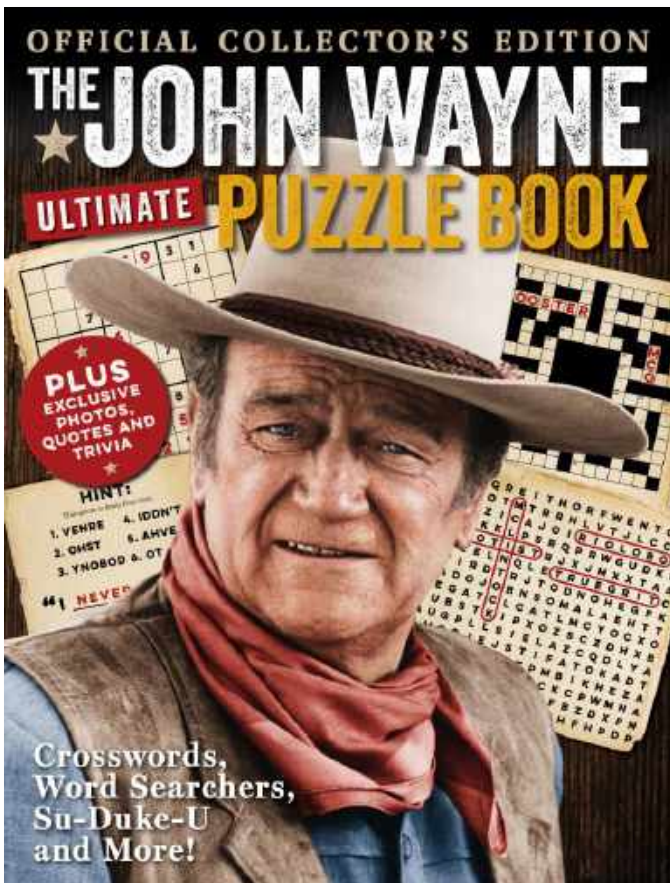


# Official John Wayne Ultimate Puzzle Books



**TEST YOUR WITS** and your knowledge of Duke with this massive book of pencil puzzles. From crosswords and word searches to sudoku, jumbles and more, this new collection of inventive brainteasers will keep you entertained for weeks at a time!

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**AN ADULT ACTIVITY BOOK** aimed at puzzle lovers and John Wayne fans alike. Stuffed with John Wayne photos and trivia, this book includes a range of easy-to-hard, original puzzles, including Su-Duke-u, crosswords, word searches, quote jumbles and more.

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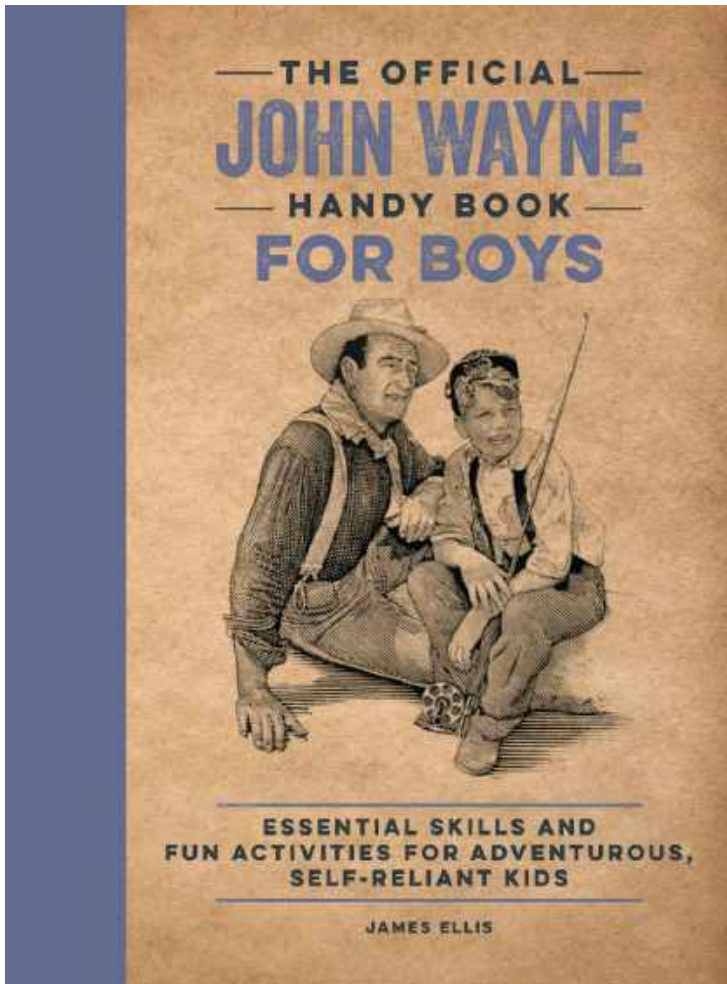




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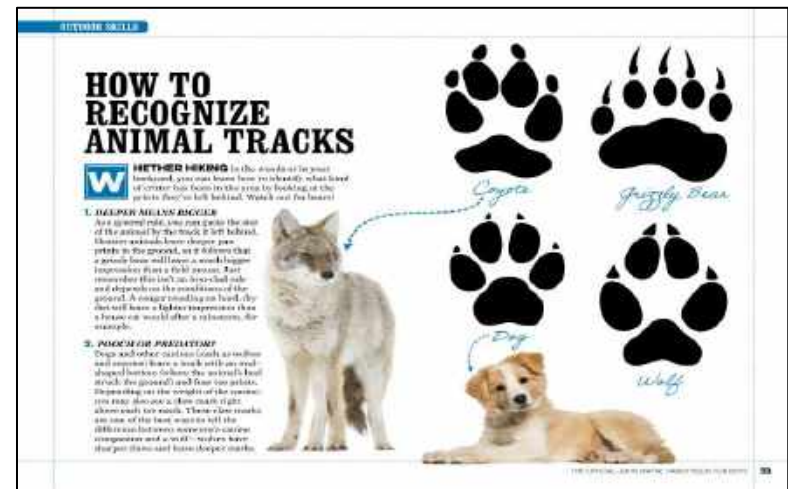
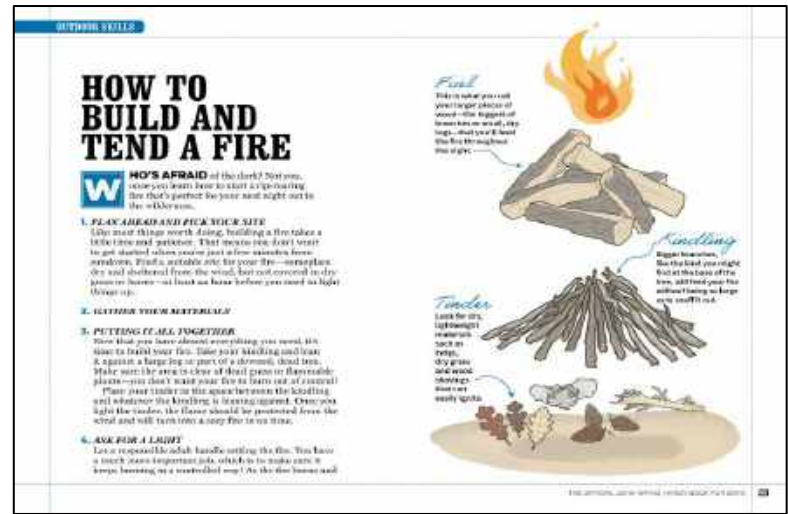


# The Official John Wayne Handy Book For Boys



If there's one thing John Wayne admired, it was someone who could stand on their own two feet and take care of themselves no matter what the day might bring. Parents who know Wayne (and there are millions of them) admire those skills as well and feel strongly about raising their boys to be just as self-reliant. Similarly, boys are interested in learning how to camp, hike, explore and have adventures of their own. At the same time, they're struggling to learn how to effectively transition to adulthood. The Official John Wayne Handy Book for Boys helps them learn both the outdoor skills they need to adventure safely, but also the life skills they need to navigate the real world like responsible young men.

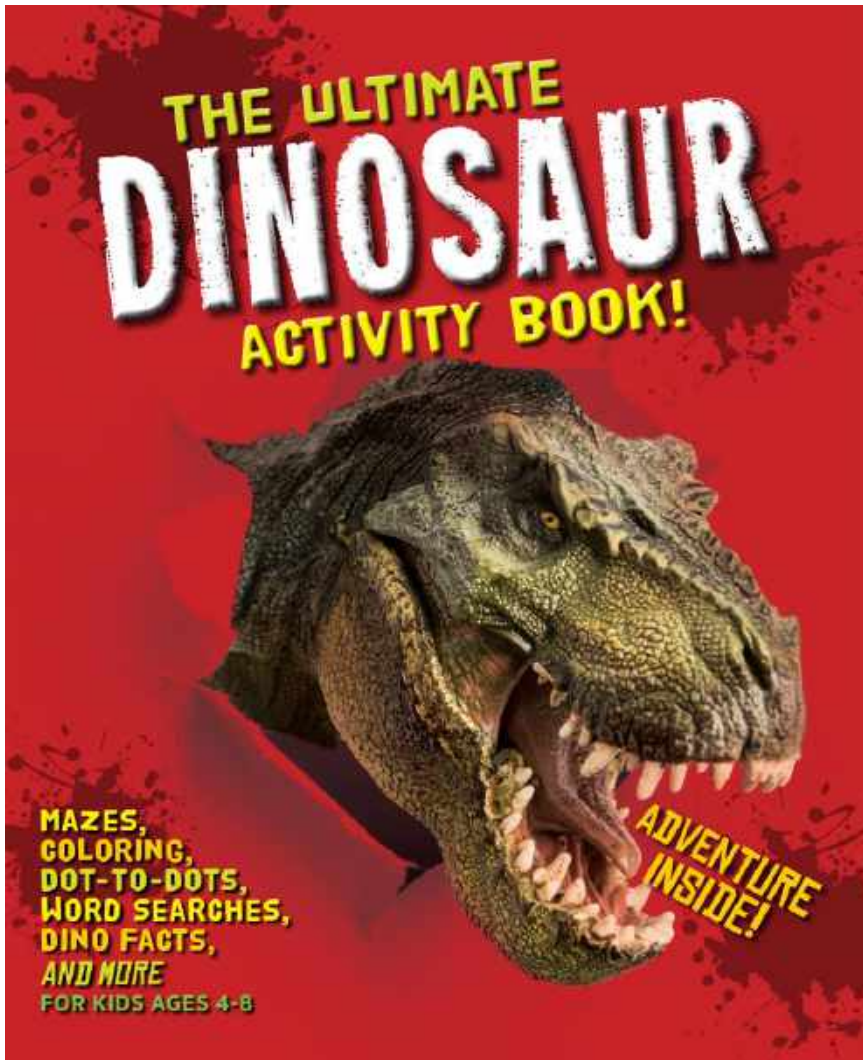
The book includes 100 essential skills, tips, activities and lessons for outdoor fun, responsible, safe adventures and real-world competence. Lessons are fully explained and enhanced with full color step-by-step illustrations where needed. From camping and fishing to managing their money and everything in between, readers will discover four big sections covering a range of topics, including Outdoor Skills, Self-Sufficiency at Home, Acting Upwards and Fun & Games. They'll learn how to:



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# The Ultimate Dinosaur Activity Book

*Mazes, Coloring, Dot-to-Dots, Word Searches, Dino Facts and More!*



## PALEONTOLOGIST PUZZLE

DINOSAUR EXPERTS SEARCH ALL OVER THE WORLD FOR FOSSILS—  
HOW MANY SPECIES CAN YOU FIND IN THIS WORD SEARCH?  
YOU CAN SEARCH FROM LEFT TO RIGHT, TOP TO BOTTOM OR DIAGONALLY.  
CIRCLE THE WORDS WHEN YOU FIND THEM

No two dinosaurs have the same name.

X	A	P	A	T	O	S	A	U	R	U	S
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### WORD BANK

- BRONTOMERUS
- HADROSALURUS
- SPINDOSALURUS
- NOMINGIA
- APATOSALURUS
- CAUDIPTERYX
- HARPYNIMUS
- PARKOSALURUS

ANSWERS ON PAGE 55

## SPOT THE DIFFERENCE

CAN YOU FIND THE FOUR DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THESE PICTURES?



ANSWERS ON PAGE 55

**FEATURING DOZENS** of activities, coloring pages and mind-blowing dinosaur facts, *The Ultimate Dinosaur Activity Book* is the perfect tool to make boredom extinct.

Wildly fun and unbelievably informative, this activity book also includes some of the most recent discoveries about dinosaurs so your budding paleontologist will remain on the cutting edge of prehistoric info, even as they learn to color, use critical thinking skills and strengthen their vocabulary while putting their dino knowledge to the test.

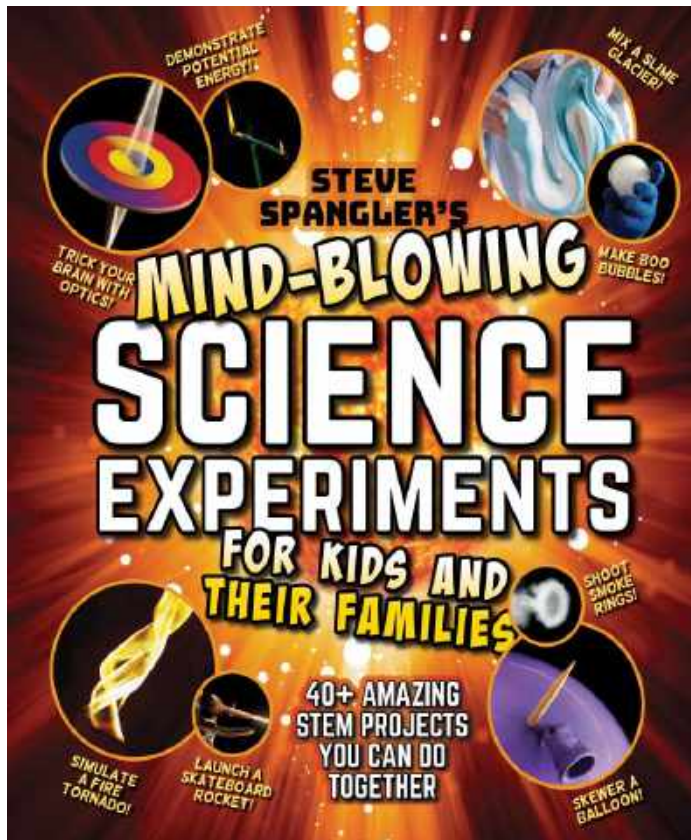
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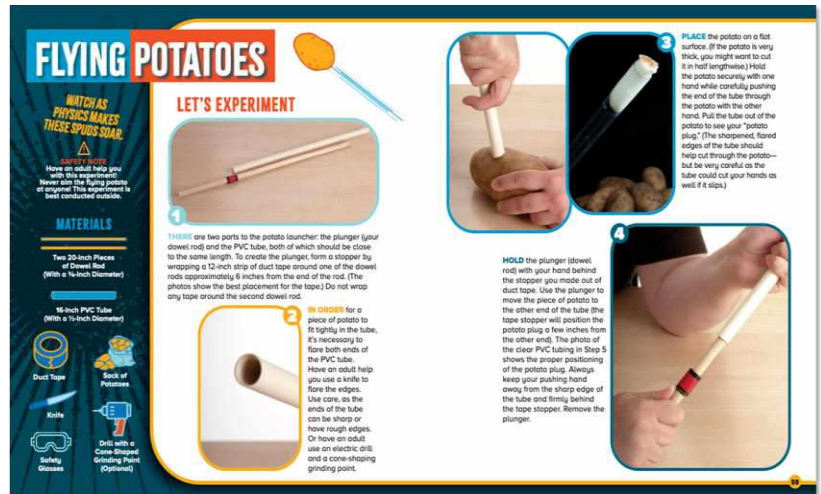


# Steve Spangler's Mind-Blowing Science Experiments For Kids and Their Families

## 40+ Exciting STEM Projects You Can Do Together



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THIS INCREDIBLE BOOK shows kids, their friends and their families how to explore the forces that make our world work in fun, often startling ways. Steve Spangler is one of the most well-known science educators in the country, with regular appearances on Ellen, Fox & Friends and dozens of other programs.

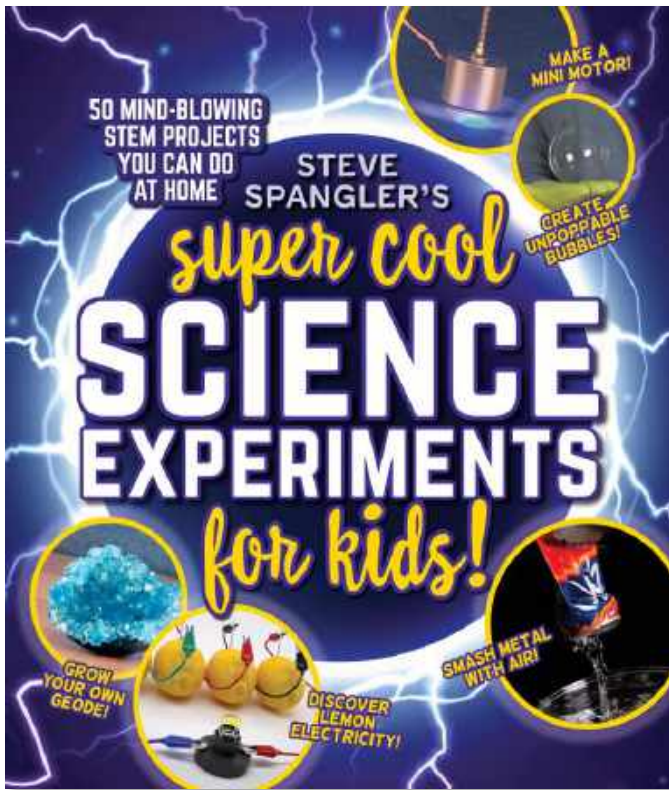
His books, YouTube videos and award-winning TV program, DIY Sci, have endeared him to millions of kids. Now Steve has created a book for them, their friends and their families, with experiments designed to be more eye-popping, more challenging and more collaborative than ever before.

Kids will work with friends, siblings, parents or classmates to execute more than 40 fascinating experiments that not only dazzle the eyes but supercharge the brain, turning real world physics, science, technology and more into unexpected afternoon fun.

From a roaring fire tornado to a skateboard rocket, these experiments will have kids dropping their video games and TV remotes to experience real-world fun that educates as it entertains.



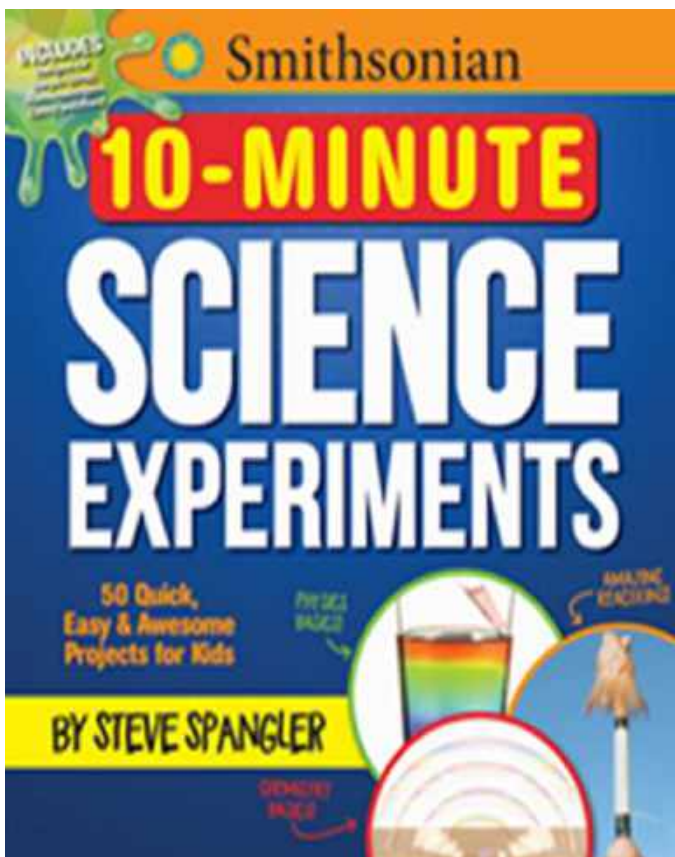
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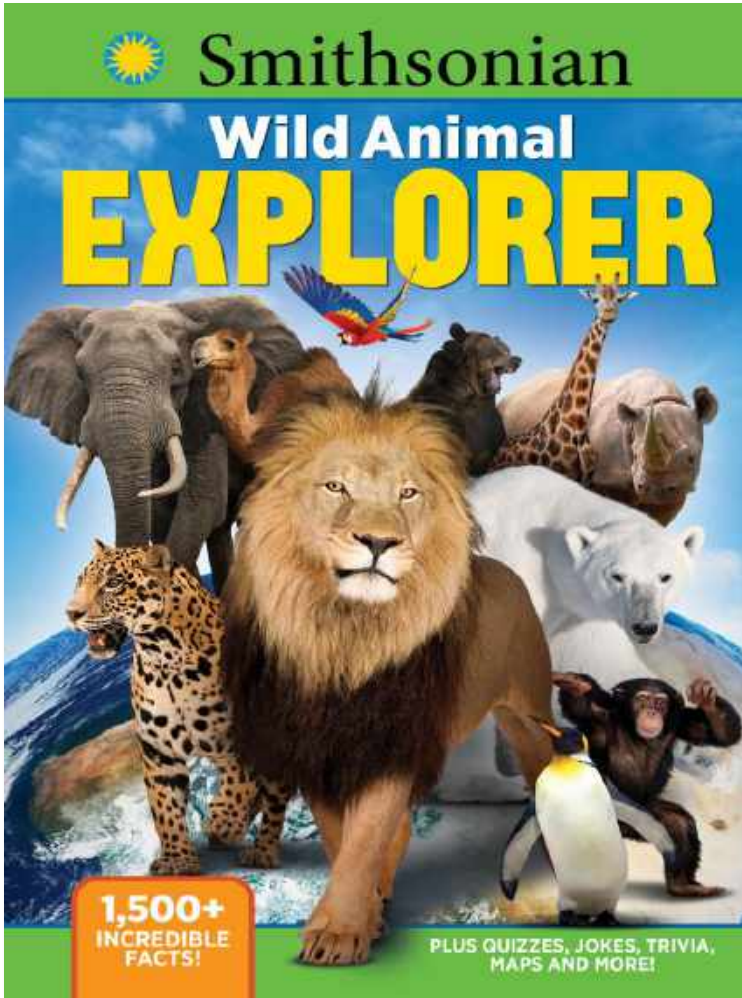
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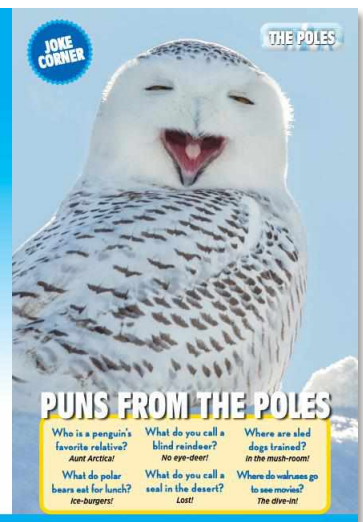
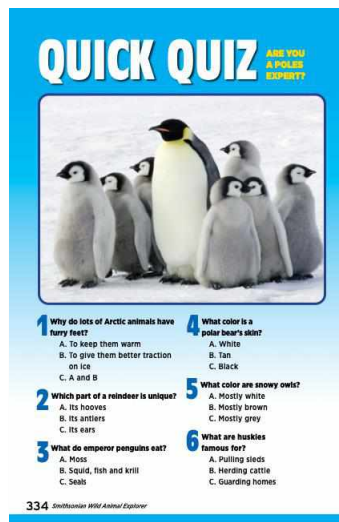
# Smithsonian Wild Animal Explorer

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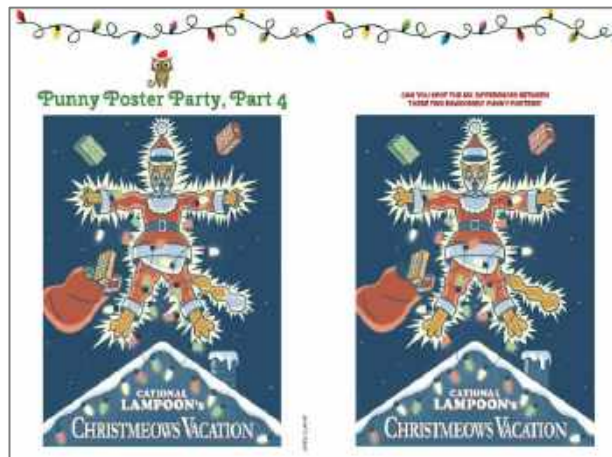




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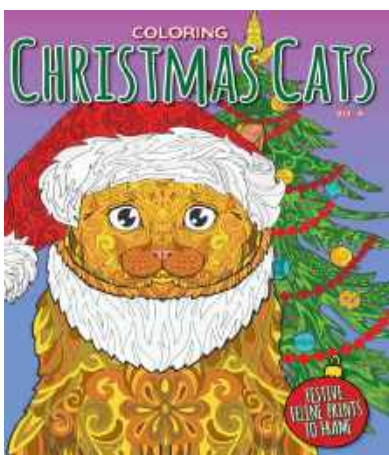
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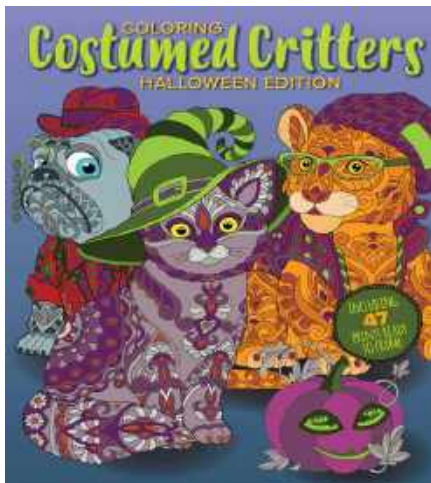
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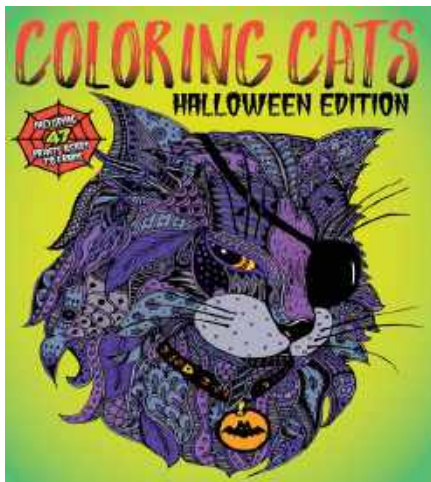
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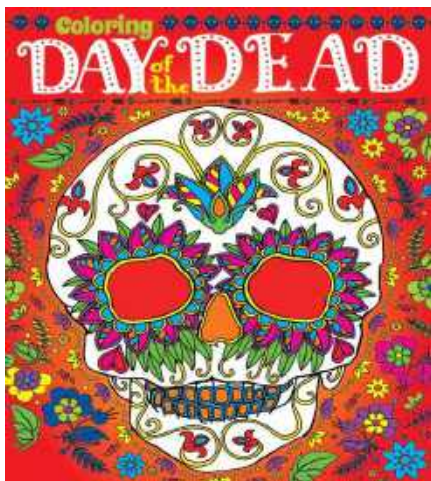
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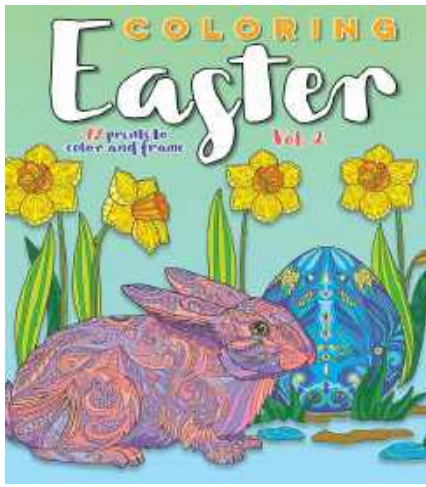


Coloring Day of the Dead is full of festive images to both soothe your mind and kick-start the Halloween season, from intricate sugar skulls to beautiful flowers and complex patterns. Calm your mind while celebrating the sacred Mexican holiday, Día de los Muertos. Featuring 47 captivating prints to color and frame, these fun images will have you burning the midnight oil.

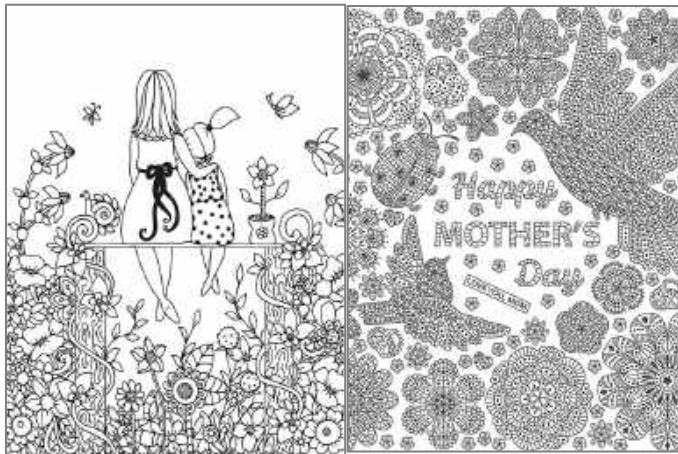
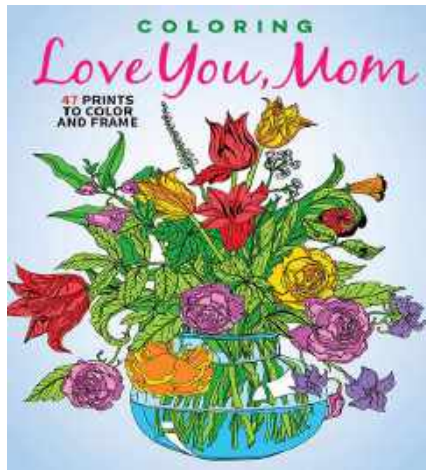
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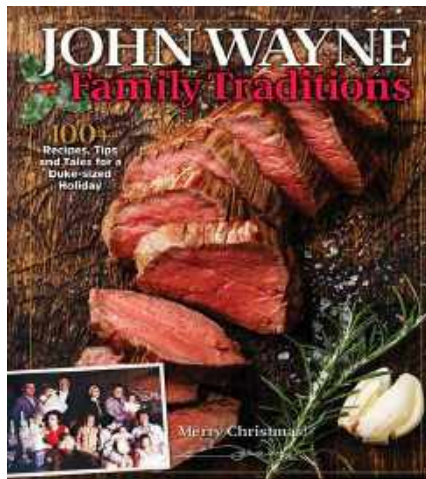




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