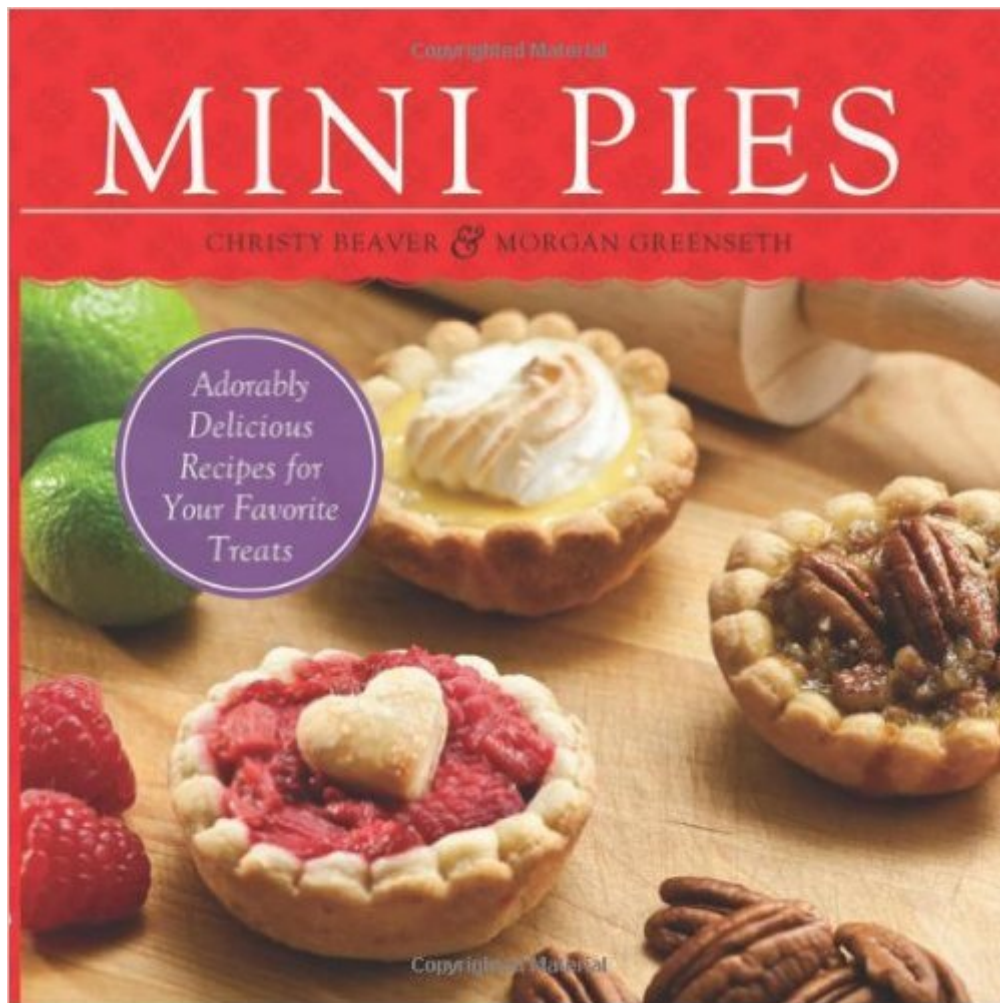


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# Mini Pies: Adorable And Delicious Recipes For Your Favorite Treats



## Synopsis

TINY HANDHELD TREATS, GIANT MOUTHWATERING FLAVORSThe flaky crust and delectable filling of traditional pie in the ultimate grab-and-go, fun-sized desserts&#151;mini pies! Do you love the taste of pie but prefer the cute size of a cupcake? Then toss the pie pan, grab your muffin tin and open this book. With delicious recipes, easy-to-follow instructions and stunning color photographs, Mini Pies provides everything you need to bake these adorable miniature desserts with professional results. Featuring gourmet recipes for a range of fruit, custard, nut and savory delights, Mini Pies serves up hold in-your-hand, single-serving versions of all your favorites, as well as the authorsâ™ all-new creations, including:&#149;Apple&#149; Cherry&#149; Strawberry&#149; Pumpkin&#149; Key Lime&#149; Lemon Meringue&#149; Chocolate Cream&#149; Bourbon Pecan&#149; Honey and Pine Nut&#149; Dilled Spinach Quiche&#149; Onion, Olive and Thyme TartWhether you are baking a single batch to have around the house for your family or making a collection of different mini pies to offer guests at your next party, this book is packed with tips, tricks and techniques for creating crowd-pleasing mini pies. The authors guide you step-by-step through making the perfect crust, plus graham cracker, vegan, shortbread and gluten-free variations.

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Do you or someone you know love to bake? Maybe you're always wondering which new cookbooks are worth the money or make a good gift. When it comes to finding new and interesting recipes for

baked goods many home cooks search with little real results. For cookbook collectors the expectation of getting a truly new recipe is somewhere between 1:20 and sometimes as little as 1:50. This year, you can turn to "Mini Pies" with confidence; the size and number of recipes prove to have been carefully culled to make it a powerful collection. The book includes a number of crust recipes ranging from traditional to vegan. Crust is often the trickiest part of putting together a successful pie. Ms. Beaver and Greenseth give you options that work, work well, and are well suited to the mini-dessert craze all around us. You may find that one of these will replace your go-to recipe for pie crust of any size. You'll also find unexpected combinations. Based on the test pies, you'll love the new ideas. Well, we certainly did. I tried seven different recipes--all of them got great reviews. Pear is often underused in pies but "Mini Pies" includes this fruit by contrasting it with interesting combinations such as cranberry or blackberry. Both are less-traditional pairings that improve each fruit in the process. The Ginger Peach was also a winner. The Pear pies tasted great and I rolled the crust too thin (warning!) so we just ate them from the muffin tin. While I did not make any of the recommended decorative topping pieces, the little, leftover bits of crust would work perfectly. Our family tradition is to butter them, add some cinnamon sugar and eat them hot out of the oven. One section of this book really stands out: Nut & Savory Pies.

Mini Pies: Adorably Delicious Recipes for Your Favorite Treats by Christy Beaver and Morgan Greenseth is a collection of recipes and instructions for miniature pies. The authors run Mini Empire Bakery in Seattle, a bakery that specializes in tiny treats, with options for restricted diets. When my husband saw this book, he said "It's a cute little pie book about cute little pies. You love it don't you?" It is a little book! It's 6x6 inches square, with 128 pages and 29 pie fillings and 7 pie crust recipes. It's simply adorable, and this is the kind of book that would have thrilled me in my stocking when I was younger. The pies are made in muffin tins and topped with traditional toppings like whipped cream, meringue and a vegan whipped topping recipes, or with little cutouts made from crust. Along with traditional crust recipes, there is also a vegan pie crust and a gluten free crust. The instructions for making the crusts, rolling them out and putting them in the muffin tins are clearly written and easy to follow if you're a first time pie baker. There are also instructions for jar pies which use little mason canning jars as both the pie pan and the serving dish. Each of the fillings and crust recipes are enough for 12 pies. Fantastic mix of pie recipes. While they could have just done traditional pies and filled the cookbook, they didn't. A lot of the recipes have foodie touches and twists to make them a bit fancier. The fillings are made from scratch. No jarred pie fillings here! So there are some very traditional pies like key lime, pumpkin and chocolate cream, there is also an

Apple Chai pie which adds more seasoning and flavor than just the cinnamon that's usually used.

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