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The Mini Fondue Kit (Pocket Packets)





Synopsis

Always delicious as a tantalizing appetizer, fun main course, or decadent dessert, fondue is now easier than ever! This clever kit contains all the components of fondue for two: a miniature pot with a pair of forks, metal stand, and tea light. The illustrated 32pages. book includes 12 quick recipes and dozens of serving suggestions.

Book Information

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Customer Reviews

Bought this as a big-sister gift for Darling Daughter #1 (11)... she loves fondue, loves miniature things and checkout-aisle impulse items of all kinds. Well, it turned out to be a lousy gift that just frustrated her - and all of us. A sorta-good idea that just cannot possibly work.#1, assembling the kit was strange and difficult - you have to bend a wire stand into shape and it looks different from the one on the box (which suggests the stand is ready made.#2, once you get the thing put together, the dish is very rickety on the stand. And it seems to be coated with something that causes a LOT of smoke if you put it anywhere near fire (ie the included tealight).#3, the included tealight seemed to create MUCH too much heat for the micro-quantity of stuff in the dish (yeah, we made it that far!). It started bubbling terribly and made a huge mess when it all glued itself instantly to the inside of the dish.#4, the so-called fondue "forks" are actually just long stabby pieces of metal that don't really grip the items you're supposed to be fondue-ing... if you could actually get that far, which we never did.Instead, I called an end to the experiment, resolving to just give Darling Daughter my old (unused) chocolate fondue instead... what a waste of time, money and her great enthusiasm - I don't care about myself, but hate when products are a letdown to my kids!

The Mini Fondue Kit is a really great idea. My girlfriend is a fondue lover, and I thought this would be perfect for her. Unfortunately, the idea was better than the execution. The first problem is that the assembly instructions for the metal stand did not match the actual stand (at least no with the one we got.) The stand we got had three legs, not four as shown in the instructions, and it did not seem possible to bend the legs as described. We think we got it right in the end, but the instructions should be clear. (Note that the three-legged stand is probably better than the four-legged one because a three-legged stand is more stable, so maybe we got a new stand but an old set of instructions?) A much bigger problem was that the dish was too small for some of the recipes. My girlfriend tried to make one of the chocolate fondues and the ingredients ended up completely filling the dish to the point it was not possible to mix them without spilling. Then, when she heated it in the microwave it bubbled over. Had it not spilled then, it would have spilled when she dipped something in it. It is too bad because it was a good idea. I am going to get her a replacement. I have been looking at: Chantal Butter Warmers (ASIN B00004RKFE), Trudeau Basic 7-Piece Chocolate Fondue Set (ASIN B00029I3Q2), and the Chocolatiere Electric Chocolate Melting Pot (ASIN B00074HGJ2). The butter warmers look close to what I think this item should be: 4 oz. makes them large enough for the recipes with the Mini Fondue Kit with enough room to spare for stirring and dipping. The other two items are a bit fancier, but may be better choices. I will write an update when I have gotten one.

When I first bought this cute little kit, I thought that it would just be a joke, but it actually works. The tiny cup is just large enough to make the fondue warm under the tea-light. I recommend this kit for a bit of fun by yourself (it definitely does not makeenough for two).

I read the reviews before I bought this and decided not to buy it. But then I considered who I was buying it for, and that it is just for fun, not to really cook a meal on, and bought it. The recipient loves it! It is an amusing little item.

I wish I could give this product no stars! Not only were the instructions ridiculous but when the dish sat on the stand it was very unstable, and then, within 2mins of the little tealight being underneath it, the dish broke in half!! Terrible, poorly made product that should surely be taken off the shelves, very dangerous! I bought this as a gift and was charmed by the packaging, the idea, and the utter impracticality of this item. I have no idea if it works (though i don't see why it wouldn't; you'd just have to be content with Liliputian portions), but for about [...] it was worth a shot. :) I'd say it'd be a cute stocking-stuffer or the like for a cooking friend.-Shannon

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