# HISTORIC AMERICAN COOKBOOKS COLLECTION, 1941, undated

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# ABSTRACT

Cookbooks have long been considered an American staple, although the first one written and published by an American was in Hartford, Connecticut in 1796. This was a small book by Amelia Simmons' called *American Cookery*.

Although often thought of as common household items, cookbooks offer invaluable evidence of the role historic events often played in shaping Americans' tastes and dining habits. Through these books, we develop an understanding of what people were eating in America during political upheavals, wartime, and peacetime, the influence of immigration on American recipes, changes in cooking techniques, evolution of dietary habits, and so on. Whether created by a chef of international renown, a regionally famous person, or a local community group, cookbooks tell stories of the development of the American cuisine.

This collection includes publications.

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### REFERENCES

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#### SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The Historic American Cookbooks Collection is a small collection formerly from the Ephemera Collection. It consists of three cookbooks, dating from 1941 and circa 1950s-1960s.

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