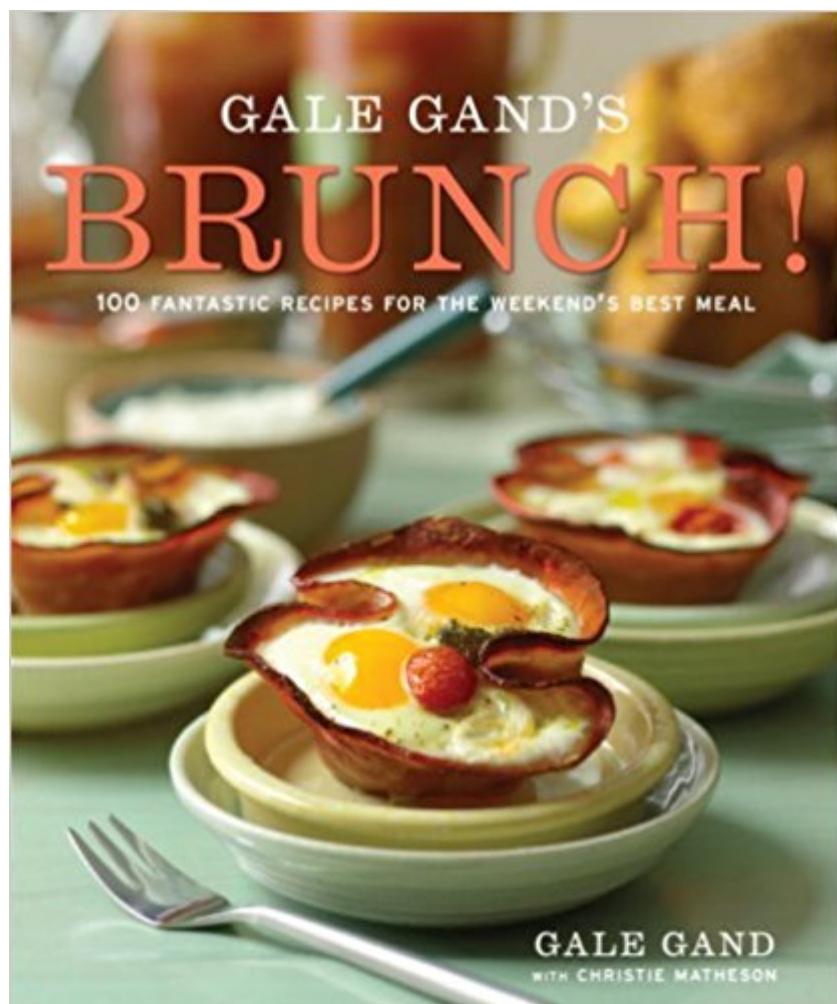


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Gale Gand's Brunch!: 100 Fantastic Recipes For The Weekend's Best Meal



Synopsis

Every weekend is worth celebrating when you can relax over a good brunch. Food Network host, cookbook author, celebrated chef, and mother of three, Gale Gand has long made brunch a part of her life because it's the easiest way to gather around the table with family and friends. Now, in Gale Gand's *Brunch!* she shares 100 recipes for scrumptious brunch fare, all destined to become household favorites. Traditional breakfast treats become inspired dishes when Gale shares how to effortlessly enliven the basics, like Iced Coffee with Cinnamon-Coffee Ice Cubes, Baked Eggs in Ham Cups, and Almond Ciabatta French Toast. In five mini-classes, she teaches how to master easy but impressive classic egg dishes—omelets, quiches, strata, frittata, and crêpes—with numerous variations on each. Finally, no cookbook by Gale would be complete without recipes for the wonderful baked goods she's famous for, such as Ginger Scones with Peaches and Cream, Moist Orange-Date Muffins, Glazed Crullers, and Quick Pear Streusel Coffee Cake. Special occasion or not, brunch is a cinch with Gale's irresistible recipes. Start off the day with zesty Breakfast Burritos for the kids, or wow visiting in-laws with Poached Salmon with Cucumber Yogurt. Anyone will find Gale's salads, soups, and sides delicious and simple, and with 60 color photographs, you'll be enticed to try a new recipe every weekend. Wake up to a great weekend with Gale Gand's *Brunch!*

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Customer Reviews

Brunch is one of the weekend's best assets, but people often think they must rely on the same old recipes, or else eat out, to enjoy it. Pastry chef and restaurateur Gand (Short and Sweet Dessert

Deck) shows that plenty of brunch dishes, many of them even better than what is served at restaurants, are within reach. Gand, writing with Matheson (coauthor of *Wine Mondays*) starts with an enticing assortment of drinks (e.g., white hot chocolate and a three-alarm Bloody Mary), then a chapter on brunch's eggy foundations—omelets, stratas, frittatas, quiches and crêpes, each with appetizing variations—that will please any brunch crowd. In subsequent chapters, Gand hits the sweet and savory high points, from pancakes and doughnuts to onion tarts and cheddar grits. She amps up classics like French toast by using sliced almonds and ciabatta bread and transforms others, so that a bacon-scallion scone, for instance, comes out light and flavorful rather than resembling the usual floury hockey puck. She also mixes things up with less common items such as pretzels, pot stickers and a lemony wheat berry salad. Accessible instructions, basic preparation tips and make-ahead hints ensure that both beginners and those who think cooking brunch is too bothersome will find this volume to be inspiring. (Apr.) Copyright © Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved.

GALE GAND is a James Beard Award-winning pastry chef and executive pastry chef and co-owner of the world-renowned Chicago restaurant Tru. She also is consulting pastry chef and partner of Cenitare Restaurants, LLC, which encompasses Osteria di Tramonto, Tramonto's Steak and Seafood, and RT Lounge, all in the Chicago area. The host of *Sweet Dreams*, Food Network's first daily show devoted to baking, she is the author of six previous cookbooks, including *Gale Gand's Just a Bite* and *Chocolate and Vanilla*. CHRISTIE MATHESON is a food and lifestyle writer whose work has appeared in *Glamour*, *Cooking Light*, and the *Boston Globe Magazine*. She is the coauthor of *Confetti Cakes* and *Tea Party*.

I bought this for my mom, who loves to entertain guests for brunch. It's perfect for cooking for guests or just your family. I need my own copy! So many great recipes. This is one of those cookbooks that will get used again and again until it's falling apart. Everything I or my mom has made has been so impressive and simple.

This is a beautifully done cookbook. I wanted a book that gave me recipes that could be made ahead for next-day brunches when I have friends staying over (so I don't have to get up so early) There are many recipes that fill the bill. Its beautifully illustrated also, which makes it much more fun to cook with. Gale also includes a nice selection of cocktail recipes. I made her Pim's Cup drinks to

serve my guests as they arrived the prior evening and they were a big hit. Very different! Just about anything you'd like to see for breakfasts and brunches and general entertaining are here!

This is a new FAVORITE recipe book of mine - beautiful photographs, great recipes with clear directions, unique and delicious recipes. Love it!

great recipes all in one book!

This is one of my favorite cookbooks! Brunch is a great meal for entertaining. I prefer it to hosting dinner parties. Gale Gand is an experienced baker and chef. In this cookbook she provides great brunch recipes that are easy to prepare and taste great. This was my second purchase of this cookbook. I gave it to a friend when she was planning a family brunch.

This was not listed as new but it was perfect. Its pristine pages and lovely clean cover has inspired me. I can't wait to cook my way through it. I sincerely appreciate this kind and careful seller. PS the packing was also top notch.

I had brunch at a friend's home recently. She said that she found all the recipes for the brunch in this book. It was so delicious that I decided to buy the book and try the recipes for my next brunch. The book arrived in perfect condition.

What a dynamite Brunch Cookbook! Gale Gand has great imagination, and creativity with her blendings of ingredients. This is a small book, but "packed" with wonderful recipes, that can be prepared with great ease. The Asparagus with poachedEggs are a wonderful and delicious dish. Just great and creative thoughts throughout the book.

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