

'... a number of works this holiday season are worthy additions to any cookbook collection. As a matter of fact, they're the best the culinary world has offered for a few seasons.'



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son who also authored, "The World Atlas of Wine" also hosts a public television series, *Vintage*, of which this book is the companion. The text is splendidly written and beautifully illustrated. This ambitious, literary work begins with man's first encounter with alcohol continuing through the ages. This is an indispensable reference book that's not overly technical and never dull.

"The Renaissance of Italian Cooking" by Lorenza de'Medici is as beautiful to look at as it is to read. This lavish, coffee table type book — although filled with color photos — should not be underestimated as a worthy, gastronomic cookbook.

Author Lorenza de'Medici is an acknowledged authority of Italy's culinary history. She has written over 20 cookbooks including "Italy: The Beautiful Cookbook."

AS A DESCENDANT OF the Renaissance Medicis, Lorenza de'Medici reveals the refined cooking methods perfected by the great old Italian families. The recipes are simple yet sophisticated. Many of them have been passed down by her ancestors and are arranged in menus.

In addition to the elegant recipes, there are nearly 200 color photos taken by John Ferro Sims. The book is interwoven with personal family anecdotes and photos of the most spectacular homes in Italy, including the de'Medici 11th century abbey and wine estate in Tuscany.

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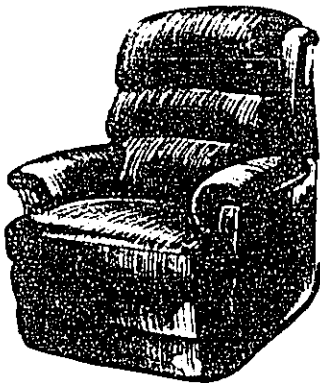
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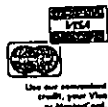
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