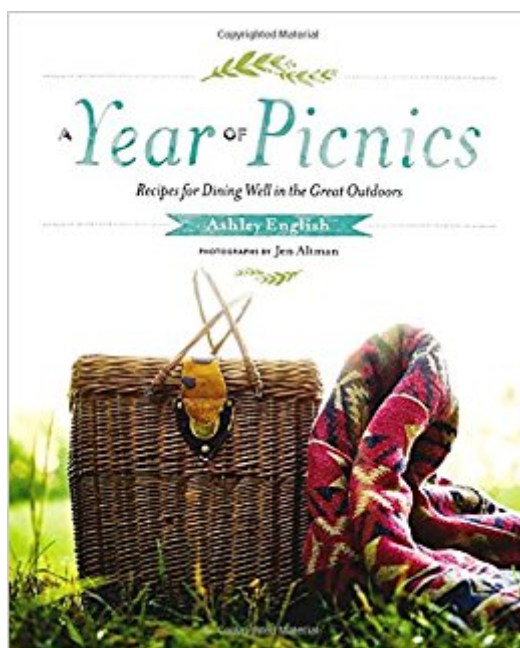


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# A Year Of Picnics: Recipes For Dining Well In The Great Outdoors



## Synopsis

Everyone loves picnickingâdining in the great outdoors, cozied up on blankets, and surrounded by the beauty of the natural world. Now imagine doing it year-round, where the setting speaks to the foods served, and you've got *A Year of Picnics!* Savor good food and good company while lounging beneath the shady canopy of trees or under the sparkle of a starry sky. With just a picnic blanket and a little inspiration, you can transform mealtimes into an opportunity to relax, connect, and enjoy the outdoors. *A Year of Picnics* presents everything you need to picnic through the seasons, with over 70 picnic-perfect recipes, tips on selecting your location, advice for packing your basket, and creative ideas for outdoor activities. Through 20 themed picnicsâcelebrate the bounty of summer produce with a Table to Farm Picnic or revel in the colors of autumn with a Falling Leaves Picnicâyouâll discover the ways food can be elevated by your surroundings. From mountaintops to meadows, rooftops to formal gardens, let your picnicking take you to new places.

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## Customer Reviews

ASHLEY ENGLISH has degrees in holistic nutrition and sociology. She has worked over the years with a number of nonprofit organizations committed to social and agricultural issues, is a member of Slow Food USA, and writes a regular column for the quarterly publication Taproot. She is the author of four books in the *Homemade Living* series (*Canning & Preserving*, *Keeping Chickens*, *Keeping Bees*, *Home Dairy*), as well as *A Year of Pies*, *Handmade Gatherings*, and *Quench*. Ashley and her family live in Candler, North Carolina, where they are converting their land into a thriving

homestead. Follow their adventures at [www.smallmeasure.com](http://www.smallmeasure.com).

Oh my! This is not only an amazing resource on how to prepare for an extraordinary picnic, it is a fantastic recipe book. From savory to sweet there is a plethora of foods to make and enjoy whether off on a picnic or hunkering down at home! I just received mine in the mail and as I am skimming through my mouth is watering! I seriously cannot wait to make everything (especially the Chocolate Mint "Movie Stars")!!! My 6 year old daughter is eyeing the Rosemary Lemon Bars and the Salted Caramel Popcorn. My 8 year old is grabbing the berries and heavy cream from the fridge, as I write this review, to make the Pots de Crème with Rose Whipped Cream...she is a very big fan of berries and cream on any and all occasions! The themes of the picnics are beyond cute, from romantic to kid friendly...and the ideas for seasonal activities that go along with the themes are perfect additions! Super glad I ordered this book! Don't hesitate...buy it!

Another Amazing Book by Ashley English, I have all of her books and can't wait until she has more. Recipes are delicious, photos and ideas are amazing- she puts her heart and soul in every book.

You want this book for your collection!! It's full of brilliant ideas and themes for picnics in all seasons, like games to play, centering your outing around bird-watching, dining by the water and making afternoon tea or a coffee break the focus. Ashley English includes instructions for building a simple, portable picnic table and cornhole boards, and we haven't even gotten to the RECIPES! There's Cardamom, Rose Water and Berry Coffee Cake; Chimichurri Chicken; Gingersnap and Coconut Lime Tassies; Smoky Cauliflower Spread; Cheesy Kale Chips; Rosemary Lemon Bars...I can't wait to go on these picnics. Ashley's recipes are always unique, approachable and delicious, and the photography by Jen Altman is stunning.

Another fabulous book by Ashley English. I love how the table of contents is by season, similar to Handmade Gatherings also by Ashley English. The recipes are unique and classic but not too complicated for a novice like myself. I adore the section on picnic essentials even includes a natural homemade (of course!) bug spray for picnic time. Can't wait to get into every one of these recipes!

This book is fantastic! Another great hit from Ashley English. I'm so glad that I added this to my collection and I totally feel like I can adapt each and every one of these picnic ideas to fit my lifestyle.



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