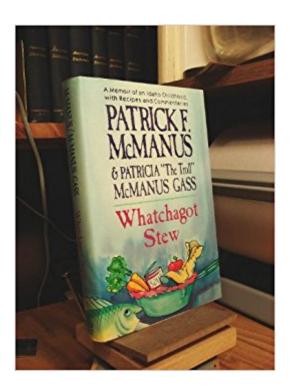


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# Whatchagot Stew: A Memoir Of An Idaho Childhood, With Recipes And Commentaries





# Synopsis

First published in 1989, this unusual combination, both a memoir and a cookbook, is now available in paperback. A word of warning: Before jumping into the recipes it might be wise to read McManus's childhood memoir first. Beyond the much-expected mirth, however, are solid and delicious recipes gathered and tested by Pat's sister "The Troll," Patricia Gass. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

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## **Customer Reviews**

Much like his friend Rae, who donates a recipe for tomato-soup cake to this book, bestselling humorist McManus (The Night the Bear Ate Goom baw) here combines unexpected ingredients to come up with delicious fun. In a fond, frequently hilarious recollection of his Depression-era childhood, the author introduces a cast of characters whose recipes are found in the volume's second half. His tough-as-nails mother ("just scrape off the burnt part"), his sister (and coauthor, referred to as The Troll) and childhood friend Vern Schulz, among others, get a chance to shine. An avid outdoorsman and hunter, McManus has gathered plenty of ideas for cooking up grouse, wild turkey, pheasant and freshly caught fish; there are eight recipes for elk, a couple for bear and 16 for venison, including salami and sausage. A chapter on breads includes interesting sourdough variations, while the vegetable section goes heavy on cabbage (fried, creamed or stuffed) and canned beans. Oddities include kippered cherries, huckleberry liqueur and corncob jelly. Preparation of food is, blessedly, subject to neither humor nor confusion. Line drawings by the author's daughter. Copyright 1989 Reed Business Information, Inc.

The popular author of The Night the Bear Ate Goombaw (LJ 6/15/89) was attacked by "a strange urge" to write a cookbook, and here is his memoir and dozens of recipes from his mother and grandmother, outdoorsmen pals, other friends, and his coauthor sister. McManus's humorous reminiscences may earn him new readers, and while many of the down-home recipes are in the "White Trash" cooking category, there are some good breads, interesting game dishes, and lots of good old-fashioned desserts. There will be demand for this book. Copyright 1989 Reed Business Information, Inc.

I always enjoy reading the humor of Patrick McManus. This book begins with his short memoir (which I wish were longer.) Then the book continues with assorted recipes from his youth (his mom's) and his sister's and some of his own. I especially enjoyed "Pat's Roast Weiner on a Willow Stick." I can identify with that one!

Patrick McManus should be required reading for all outdoors people. With many of his stories I can see my camping/hunting/fishing expeditions in real life.... as though he had been following me around writing my adventures.

A friend loaned me this book and I liked it so much I bought my own copy. Patrick's laugh-out-loud writing and satisfying recipes can't be beat. This is now one of my favorite books.

I chose this book because when we were visiting the cabin at the River of No Return they had a copy and it had some old time recipes in it. It is a very funny book with recipes from their childhood. I especially wanted the tomato soup recipe as my Mother-In-Law use to make it before she passed away and I never did get her recipe. This one is pretty close

As with all of McManus's books this one, written with his sister the "Troll", has a blend of his humor and many recipes, some with its own story. It starts with a memoir and surprisingly has mostly new material so if you have some of his other books you won't be reading a collection of stuff you have read before. I'm glad I purchased it. I collect cookbooks of different cuisine and boy is this "different". I own all of his books and have had to start over from the beginning just to get my McManus fix.

Read for fun and relax! Great for all ages! Teens should spend more time reading Patrick McManus and stay away from video games!

We have loved Patrick McManus books for many years now and are extremely happy to add to our Patrick McMannus library for such reasonable prices. This book is in excellent condition and will be loved for many years to come.

This was a gift this time...I love his humor and the recipes!Even if you don't use the recipes, it is worth it for the humor!!

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