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Theo Chocolate: Recipes & Sweet Secrets From Seattle's Favorite Chocolate Maker



Synopsis

Who doesn't love chocolate? Here are delicious sweet and savory chocolate recipes, along with the fascinating story of how North America's first organic and Fair Trade chocolate factory came to be (and why they are so passionate about how their chocolate is made). Theo Chocolate is dedicated to making the world a better place. From bean to bar, Theo Chocolate uses organic ingredients and is committed to Fair Trade practices, working closely with farmers around the world who grow the cocoa beans used in their chocolate. This book not only shares Theo's story and their passion for doing the right thing, but also celebrates the decadent pleasure of enjoying excellent chocolate thanks to 75 recipes to make at home along with full-color photographs throughout.

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Customer Reviews

"Debra may have written the book in a mere 9 months, but Theo reflects many years of recipe imagination and experimentation. If you try the recipes in this book, you will be pleased and surprised. Your only dilemma is where to start." •Huffington Post "If there's one cookbook that every self-respecting Seattleite should have in their kitchen, it's the new book from Theo Chocolate, the award-winning, bean-to-bar chocolate maker and all round Seattle treasure." •Seattle Refined "This cookbook serves as both a prize for chocolate-lovers and a window into what motivates Theo from bean to bar. The cookbook isn't just full of chocolaty sweets, chocolate is bitter and its subtle sweetness brings depth to savory recipes. But the last section of the cookbook is for the truest chocolate-lover and offers redemption for my

past chocolate failures — confections. They even have a cheat for couverture that doesn't require all that finicky tempering. [A] great gift to give to a chocolate-loving friend or loved one."

— Everett Herald — "This is a cookbook for the serious chocoholic. Packed with mouthwatering color photos, tidbits about the origin of each recipe and helpful technique tips, Theo Chocolate is a love letter to the humble cocoa bean and a tribute to the authors' work together."

— Shelf Awareness — "Theo Chocolate is a rare breed: dedication, deliciousness, and daring have met and the results are spectacular!"

— This is essentially a guide book to the nuances of the luxurious cacao and its ability to grace your table from appetizers to dessert."

— Tom Douglas, Restaurateur, Tom Douglas Restaurants — "This is a must-have book. Theo Chocolate's vision to pioneer an organically sourced bean-to-bar program is now a part of chocolate history. Not only is the company a shining example of sustainability, the quality of the chocolate they use is incredible—it is carefully sourced and the flavors are super pure. And now Theo is honoring us with the ability to recreate their wonders at home."

— Maria Hines, chef/owner of Tilth, Agrodolce, and Golden Beetle restaurants — "I am a big fan of Theo chocolate. This company is setting the standards for sustainability in a world that desperately needs ethical agriculture. Every ounce of chocolate they make is — guaranteed — organic. Just as important, the company works to improve the health and well being of all those who are affected by the operation, including the animals and the environment. And this enchanting cookbook is evidence of Theo's other important mission--gratifying all of us chocolate lovers with ever more exquisitely delicious delights."

— Jane Goodall, UN Messenger of Peace, founder of the Jane Goodall Institute, and author of *Seeds of Hope: Wisdom and Wonder from the World of Plants* — "I am so excited to share this delightful book with my customers, friends, and family."

— Deb and Joe — "Deb and Joe have done an incredible job of educating and inspiring readers by immersing them in their world of chocolate, from bean to bar and beyond. For those who haven't toured the factory, this book is a perfect close second to actually being there (too bad the paper isn't scratch and sniff!). A standout feature of the book is its inclusion of chocolate as a savory element in cooking, but all of the recipes are mouthwatering, versatile, and 100 percent from the heart, just as you'd expect from Theo."

— Naomi Pomeroy, chef/owner of Beast and 2014 winner of the James Beard Award for Best Chef Northwest — "For a devoted cacao-lover like me, there are few pleasures greater than enjoying a simple square of rich, dark chocolate, but getting my hands on the Theo Chocolate cookbook is one of them! Their unique story and innovative mission, coupled with page after page of savory and sweet, drool-inducing recipes, will not only show you how versatile chocolate can be, but also that, if you dream big enough, chocolate really

can help save the world!"

- Gail Simmons, food expert, TV personality, and author of Talking with My Mouth Full "A reason to try your hand at homemade candy bars"
- Oprah.com "The book's 75 recipes branch out from sweet confections, and move into savory territory."
- Publisher's Weekly "[The book] is, yes, a book for chocolate lovers. But the story within is one that reaches into the mysteries of human nature, the politics of agriculture and trade, and the secrets behind a good piece of chocolate."
- Eater.com "Chocolate, it's not just for dessert anymore...In these recipes, dark chocolate shows off its savory side, offering richness and complexity to sauces, chili, veggies, and pasta."
- allrecipes.com "Chockfull of cocoa-filled recipes, ranging from granola to pie,"
- Theo Chocolate: Recipes and Sweet Secrets from Seattle's Favorite Chocolate Maker "is truly a chocoholic's dream."
- Coastal Living "The inspiring story of Seattle's fair-trade chocolate company, accompanied by sweet recipes as well as a broad selection of savory ones."
- The Seattle Times "Give a person chocolates, you feed them for a day; gift a person Theo Chocolate's cookbook, they'll ride that sugar high for a lifetime."
- Seattle Met "You will not find such creative and delightful chocolate recipes anywhere else."
- The Washington Book Review "Yum!"
- Brit + Co "Focuses on decadent treats perfect for this time of year."
- Yahoo! Food "Theo Chocolate and their gorgeous cookbook by the same name just might make you rethink getting that restaurant reservation for February 14th."
- Omnivoracious: The Book Review "This collection of 75 recipes is sure to take that chocolate love to a whole new level."
- The Oregonian "Theo Chocolate: Recipes & Sweet Secrets from Seattle's Favorite Chocolate Maker is much more than a how-to. The book helps to deepen one's relationship with chocolate (we didn't even think that was possible)."
- Seattle Magazine "The book brims with recipes sweet and savory, beginner and advanced, standard (brownies) and not-standard (agrodolce brittle: chocolate with capers), capturing the open-armed, community-inspired ethos that drives the company."
- City Arts "Celebrated bean-to-bar chocolatiers Music and Whinney channel their passion for chocolate into innovative, cacao-focused recipes."
- Alaska Airlines Magazine

Since he founded the company, Joe Whinney has dedicated his passion for chocolate, sustainability, and economic justice to the mission of Theo Chocolate, the first bean-to-bar maker of organic, Fair Trade, fair for life, and non-GMO-certified chocolate in North America. Debra Music took a 3,000-mile leap of faith and moved to Seattle from the northeast to assist in the launch of

Theo Chocolate. Since then, she's helped Theo become one of the fastest growing brands in its category by using authentic storytelling to demonstrate the intersection of artisan chocolate making and sustainable, ethical business practices.

I. Love. Theo. Their chocolate is amazing. They have seriously ruined the chocolates that I grew up with that were near and dear to my heart. But not anymore! As a huge fan of theirs, I follow them on social media and was so excited when I saw that a week before my wife's birthday their cookbook was coming out! And for only \$18?? Did I mention I love Theo? Even if you don't love Theo, this is a great book for making many different types of meals to impress your friends and family. And it has WAY more recipes than dessert. I cannot wait to try some of their savory recipes. So far we have made their pots de creme for a dinner party. They were super easy and delicious. On top of having some really creative recipes, they share a short history of Theo. The pictures are also great for those who just love looking at sexy food pics.

OH SNAP. THEO CHOCOLATES. Here's the deal. This thing is not just full of delicious sweet desserts (deserts?) but has some entree and savory type dishes. It is also a beautifully designed cookbook with excellent typesetting, gorgeous photos, and the recipes are good, too. As the title may imply, however, the cookbook is not made of chocolate. But it sure as hell talks a lot about it.

Beautiful book and delicious recipes, both sweet and savory, for any true chocolate aficionado!

Best chocolate store in the PNW produced a great book. Purchased this book for my wife- she LOVES it almost as much as their chocolate

Lurv it. Nice Story. Creative Recipes.

Wonderful book, lots of good recipes and arrived quickly.

Priced far less than marked and a great book from a wonderful company.

We love the recipes in this cookbook

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