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#### Review

“The food rendered in blooming center-focus color, the images as soft at the edges as a dream... This title serves as a good introduction, to be followed by trips to the used-book store for the originals, best consumed with an omelet and a glass of wine.” (Sam Sifton, New York Times)

“[Elizabeth David] was James Beard, Julia Child, and MFK Fisher rolled into one... She has so much more to tell us than merely how to cook... reading between the lines you come to understand that what Elizabeth David is really saying is to savor every minute of your life.” (Ruth Reichl)

“I am still surprised every time I read Elizabeth David; she defines what it is to be a true food writer, and her words are timeless. This beautiful illustrated anthology reveals her bright spirit... She defends the authentic and the seasonal, and champions simplicity and beauty in the kitchen. ” (Alice Waters)

“Her writing is as timeless as the cuisines she describes. Re-reading her recipes, I am struck again, and again, that each is a seductive little invitation to cook. And if you love to cook, discovering her work is surely one of the greatest pleasures of all.” (Judy Rodgers)

#### From the Back Cover

Legendary cook Elizabeth David is the woman who changed the face of British cooking. She introduced a dreary post-war Britain to the sun-drenched culinary delights of the Mediterranean; to foods like olive oil, pasta, and garlic, to fresh herbs like basil and to vegetables like zucchini and eggplant—foods that have become the staples of our diets today. Her recipes brought color and life into kitchens everywhere, yet her books never contained any photographs. Now, published for the first time, comes this full color, beautifully illustrated collection of her most inspiring and delicious dishes. Never before have her recipes been photographed to showcase the richness and variety of the food that she was so passionate about.

Published to celebrate the 60th anniversary of Elizabeth's first book, her instant classic *Mediterranean Food*, *At Elizabeth David's Table* has twelve chapters guiding the reader from tasty soups and starters, through to meat, fish and desserts. Sections on successful bread making, as well as more extravagant dishes, ensure that this will become the cooking bible that readers will turn to, time and time again. Interspersed throughout the book are some of Elizabeth's short essays—from how to cook 'fast and fresh' using store-bought and pantry ingredients, to evocative portraits of French and Italian markets.

With an introduction by Ruth Reichl, the famed editor of the modern classic *The Gourmet Cookbook* and the irreplaceable *Gourmet* magazine, and a preface by Jill Norman, literary trustee of Elizabeth David's estate, *At Elizabeth David's Table* is the must-have cookbook for home cooks, gourmets, and chefs alike.

#### About the Author

Elizabeth David (1913-1992) travelled widely during the Second World War throughout Europe, the Middle East and India. She returned to England in 1946 to write the classic *Mediterranean Food*, followed by five other books that all became bestsellers. Also a prolific journalist, she was made a Fellow of the Royal Society of Literature in 1982, and a Commander of the British Empire in 1986.

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