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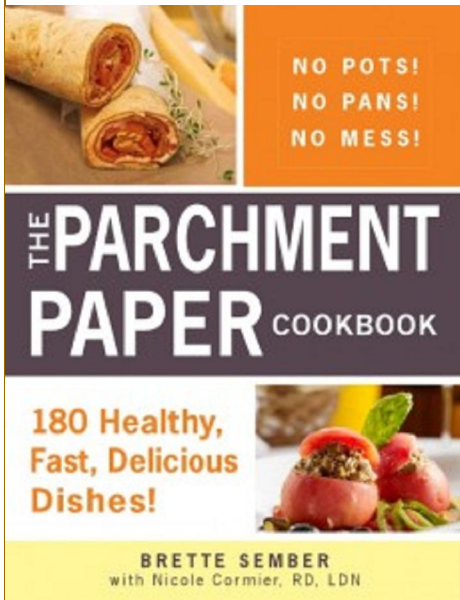
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## **The Parchment Paper Cookbook Giveaway**

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Today, Living Large community, we're beginning a series of Friday book giveaways, just in time for the holidays. We're beginning with one of the best, "The Parchment Paper Cookbook," by Brette Sember.

**I did an interview with Brette this week about her work and her book:**

**1). Tell me a little about yourself.**

A couple of years ago I started a blog called [MarthaAndMe](#), where I unofficially apprenticed myself to Martha Stewart for a year. I've always loved to cook, but this intensive, exhausting year in which I cooked Martha's recipes and blogged daily, really changed my life and helped me understand who I am as a cook.

Since then, I've been blogging about food regularly. My background is as an attorney and I've written books about lots of topics including parenting, pregnancy, business, divorce, credit, and law. In between books and blogging, I create the indexes you find at the back of books. I'm also a wife and mom of two, as well as a dog owner of two.

**2). I've always thought your blog was so interesting and unique. How did you get interested in parchment paper cooking?**

The Martha experience was really central in shaping how I think about food and cooking. One big thing that stayed with me from that experience was how complicated and time-consuming many of the recipes were. And part of that was just how much cleanup was involved after every single meal. I wanted to simplify, but I didn't want to sacrifice great flavor and good food. I actually made my first parchment paper packet more than 20 years ago as a newlywed and that recipe has remained one of my favorites. It struck me that I could cook other things that same way and create similarly moist, flavorful, and healthy results. [NoPotCooking](#) was born!

**3). What is one of your favorite recipes in the book?**

I love the recipes that think outside the box the most, so I love the Chicken Uncasserole, which includes all the flavors of one of my favorite casseroles in a parchment paper packet with no sticky casserole dish to deal with. I must admit I am also partial to the S'more Crepes which take seconds to make and are so good you'll have to hide the parchment paper to stop yourself from making them too often.

**4). Why do you think this would be good for people with small homes?**

This book is great for anyone who wants to do more with less – less kitchen space, less pots, less clean up. I love the simplicity of this cooking style and how once you make dinner you don't have to stand over the sink washing pots and pans. You don't need a gourmet kitchen or a lot of implements and pots to make these dishes. You don't even need an oven – a toaster oven works well.

**5). Is parchment paper cooking environmentally friendly?**

Parchment is recyclable and compostable. Cooking this way also helps reduce your energy use (you can cook your entire meal in one oven, no stovetop burners needed) and your water use (less to wash when you're done). I also think it just makes cooking at home easier, so you're more likely to stay home than have take out delivered or drive to a restaurant. I emphasize the use of organic ingredients as well.

Living Large community, you have a chance to win a copy of The Parchment Paper Cookbook!

**Chance #1: All you have to do to get into the drawing is make a comment on this post before 5 p.m. CST Monday, November 14.**

**Chance #2: You can earn two chances to win, if in your comment, you tell me also that you are a new friend and "liked" our [Living Large page on Facebook!](#) If you're already a part of our Facebook community and "like" our Facebook page, great, you can still have two chances to win by going to my post on the Living Large Facebook page finding the post about this giveaway and sharing it with your friends (it's easy, just hit the share button. I can either see that you're a new Facebook friend and liked our page within the contest time or shared the post!)**

**Good luck, everyone, this is an exceptional book!**

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1. *Keema* says:

[November 12, 2011 at 9:28 am](#)

I would love to try this idea!

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2. *Sarah* says:

[November 12, 2011 at 12:03 am](#)

Count me in!

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o *Kerri* says:

[November 12, 2011 at 12:23 am](#)

Done, Sarah!

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3. *MyKidsEatSquid* says:

[November 11, 2011 at 7:26 pm](#)

I already have a copy of the book and was amazed how quick the recipes were to put together—throw the ingredients in the parchment and you're all done.

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o *Kerri* says:

[November 12, 2011 at 12:23 am](#)

I know, I cannot wait to try many of these recipes!

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4. *lida jack* says:

[November 11, 2011 at 5:19 pm](#)

I'm a mess in the kitchen; not my food, just ME and my kitchen!!! Lol I'd love to have less clean-up!!!



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o *Kerri* says:

[November 11, 2011 at 5:24 pm](#)

You're in the drawing!

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5. *Susan* says:

[November 11, 2011 at 3:18 pm](#)

throw my name in the bucket , would love to win a copy

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o *Kerri* says:

[November 11, 2011 at 3:40 pm](#)

Your name is in, Susan.

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6. *Sheryl* says:

[November 11, 2011 at 2:55 pm](#)

I love the no-cleanup concept of this book and cannot wait to dig in and try all the recipes. And I'm exhausted reading about all that Brette does, so I won't have any energy left for cooking, anyway 😊

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o *Kerri* says:

[November 11, 2011 at 3:41 pm](#)

It is exhausting, Sheryl. I have no idea how she makes time for her family or anything else!

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7. *Sue Moak* says:

[November 11, 2011 at 12:12 pm](#)

Throw me in that drawing pot, please!

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o *Kerri* says:

[November 11, 2011 at 3:42 pm](#)

Consider yourself in, Sue!

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8. *More Blog Tour Stops / No Pot Cooking* says:

[November 11, 2011 at 11:55 am](#)

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9. *Kerry Dexter* says:

[November 11, 2011 at 11:32 am](#)

I've enjoyed reading both Brette's blogs, and I like the way she has followed her gift for cooking into writing cookbooks. thanks for hosting this giveaway, Kerri.

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o *Kerri* says:

[November 11, 2011 at 11:47 am](#)

You're welcome, Kerry, and good luck in the drawing. Thanks for stopping by!

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10. [Jane Boursaw](#) says:

[November 11, 2011 at 11:01 am](#)

Love the whole idea of this book! Please count me in for the giveaway.

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o [Kerri](#) says:

[November 11, 2011 at 11:17 am](#)

You're in, Jane. Thanks for entering!

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11. [Luanne](#) says:

[November 11, 2011 at 10:45 am](#)

Love the idea, little cleanup is a plus!

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o [Kerri](#) says:

[November 11, 2011 at 11:16 am](#)

Gives us more time to live life large, Luanne!

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12. [Lilla](#) says:

[November 11, 2011 at 10:12 am](#)

Sounds like an interesting book. It would make a good addition to my collection!

By the way, I am also a fan on Facebook...

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o [Kerri](#) says:

[November 11, 2011 at 10:21 am](#)

Thanks, Lilla, for being a FB fan and stopping by. You have to share my post about the giveaway on Facebook with your friends to get a second chance to enter. Just go to our page and hit the share button!

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13. [Merr](#) says:

[November 11, 2011 at 9:52 am](#)

I'm waiting for mine to arrive, so not entering the contest...just wanting to say how great this book--the entire concept--sounds!

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o [Kerri](#) says:

[November 11, 2011 at 10:20 am](#)

You're going to love the book, Merr! It's not only beautiful, but it has wonderful recipes!

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14. *Christy* says:

[November 11, 2011 at 9:41 am](#)

Wow, what a great concept! I hate washing pans and am trying to simplify our lives and home. I hope I win!

Thanks for the opportunity.

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o *Kerri* says:

[November 11, 2011 at 9:48 am](#)

You're welcome, Christy! Simple is good! 😊 Good luck!

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15. *Nancy Schoonover Helton* says:

[November 11, 2011 at 9:10 am](#)

What a great cookbook! I always have parchment paper on hand!

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o *Kerri* says:

[November 11, 2011 at 9:23 am](#)

Good luck, Nancy!

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16. *Jenn* says:

[November 11, 2011 at 9:08 am](#)

We just moved into a tiny house and anything to make cleaning up easier I'm all for. We only have a roster oven so it doesn't take much to make a huge mess! It would be great to save on our water and let the compost pile clean up the rest for us! I heard about this because I like you on facebook!

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o *Kerri* says:

[November 11, 2011 at 9:46 am](#)

Thanks, Jenn, if you share the post on Facebook, I can enter you into the drawing twice!

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17. *Julia* says:

[November 11, 2011 at 9:08 am](#)

Sounds interesting!

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o *Kerri* says:

[November 11, 2011 at 9:47 am](#)

Thanks for stopping by, Julia!

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18. *Teleia* says:

[November 11, 2011 at 8:58 am](#)

I've never even heard of parchment paper cooking! I especially like the idea of little clean up. 😊 Pick me! Pick me!

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o *Kerri* says:

[November 11, 2011 at 9:47 am](#)

Good luck, Teleia!

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