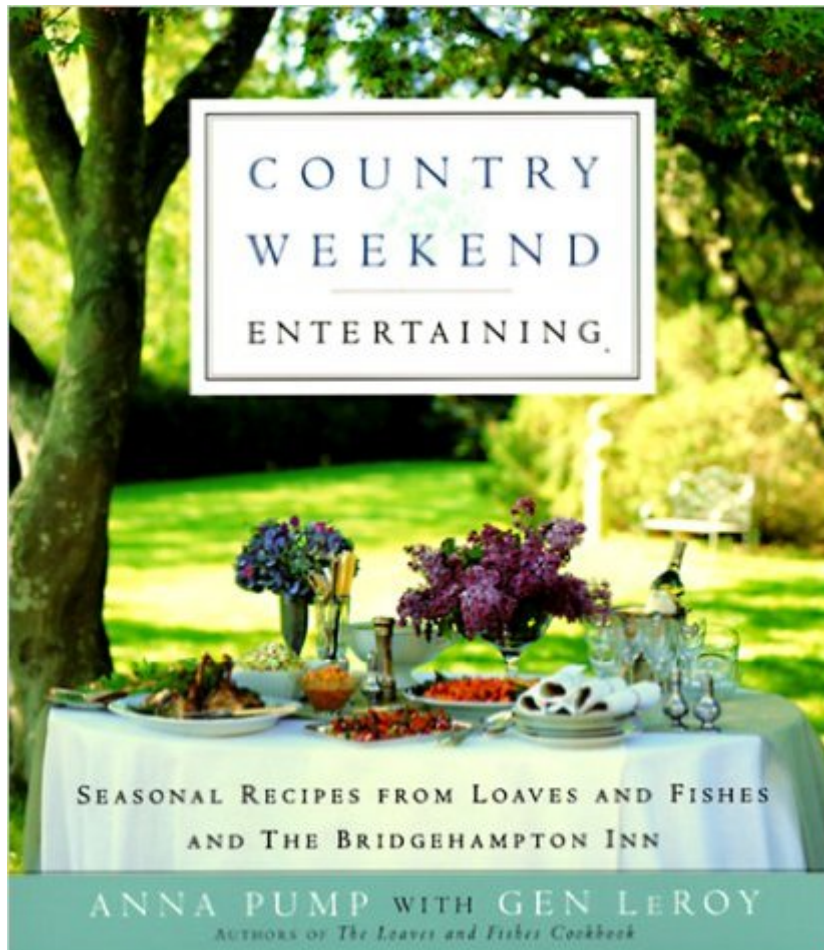


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# Country Weekend Entertaining: Seasonal Recipes From Loaves And Fishes And The Bridgehampton Inn



## Synopsis

Here is an irresistible collection of recipes for every meal and every season, from the proprietor of Loaves and Fishes, the distinguished catering and prepared-food establishment in Sagaponak, Long Island, and The Bridgehampton Inn. At The Bridgehampton Inn, Anna Pump pampers all of her guests as if each were a personal friend, which is, no doubt, why they return year after year. At Loaves and Fishes, each dish seems exactly as though it had been created in a regular home kitchen. Now, with *Country Weekend Entertaining*, she shares her secrets so that home cooks, too, can soothe and pamper guests with simple, elegant, and delicious meals, from breakfast through dinner, all year long. In fact, instead of waiting for company, you can treat yourself and your family like guests and enjoy dishes such as Anna's Scrambled Eggs with Cream Cheese, Fresh Chives, and Popovers; her Grilled Veal Chops with Peach and Coriander Relish; and her Crumb-Topped Coffee Cake. Impressive enough for any formal event, every dish in this treasure trove of original recipes is nevertheless simple enough to prepare at whim, without waiting for a special occasion. Arranged by season and illustrated with beautifully evocative color photographs, the more than 175 recipes in this book are certain to become the favorites of discerning home cooks everywhere.

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## Customer Reviews

I heard about Anna Pump from Ina Garten and thought I'd try one of her cookbooks. I started with *Summer on a Plate* and loved it. I also purchased *Loaves and Fishes* and didn't care for that one at all. It seemed those recipes were dated and used a lot of unhealthy ingredients I normally don't

purchase. Country Weekend Entertaining is fantastic. I generally put a sticky note on pages of interest and just about the whole book is loaded with sticky notes! I love that she uses a lot of fresh and unique pairing of ingredients. They all appeal to me. They seem simple and elegant with a twist. I am not a red meat eater and I was glad to see there aren't many meat dishes. This book wasn't cheap, but well worth the money. I purchased a very good one used and it's like brand new. Buying this book and seeing all the fantastic dishes makes me want to take a trip to the Bridgehampton Inn to personally meet Anna.

UPDATE JULY 2015: I have started using this book again this summer and just made the "Crumb Topped Coffeecake" Gosh! I baked it in a Bundt pan and added Lemon zest and 2 cups of Blueberries. Over the top Good! This is certainly a cookbook for special occasions, not just holidays, but nice family dinners, small cozy groups, Hellos & Goodbyes. The menus take a little more time, but oh my - are they ever worth it. The book is organized into Spring and Summer (Breakfasts, Salads, Soups, etc.) followed by Fall and Winter (8 sections of recipes - Main Courses, Side Dishes, Desserts etc.). Wine pairings are suggested for every Entree' and there are lovely quotes alongside many of her recipes. Chicken pistachio pate', Salmon baked in ginger sauce, Beetroot salad with fresh rosemary, Pear and walnut muffins, Blueberry rhubarb tart are all wonderful. I will soon be on the lookout for Quince, her recipe for Quince chutney is to die for. Not all of her recipes are over the top, Turkey meatloaf is everyday fare and easily made in the food processor. Baked ham with mustard and orange glaze is a great addition to any buffet or Sunday brunch. Anna shares a great deal of her early life and describes the daily running of the Bridgehampton Inn. You might want to check out the Inn on the internet - it is beautiful and very gracious. Anna and her husband purchased an older residence in Bridgehampton that had once been an Inn and began slowly and lovingly to transform it into a welcoming B & B. The biggest drawback to this book is the price. It almost has a cult following and while it is not as well known as Anna's Loaves and Fishes book, is "special" in many ways.

I've long been a fan of Anna Pump, but this is my first purchase of one of her cookbooks. I like cookbooks to entertain me with a sense of place and occasion and to offer menu suggestions. This book does all of that.

I've had this book for 3 years now, and finally felt the urge to write a review because of the lack of reviews on this site. It is, put quite simply, a good cooking cookbook. Anna is a friendly writer, who

doesn't name drop like other cookbok authors who live in our area do. The recipes are not way "out there" and the home cook can make them, just fine. I'm awaiting Anna's next cookbook, hoping there will be one.

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