

What to buy

2016 HOLIDAY GIFT GUIDE

IN THE KITCHEN

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Home cooks are always looking for new items to use to set their tables, gadgets to help them cook their creations, and new inspiration for recipes for everything from dinner party menus to supper for cooks in a hurry. The

Toledo area has specialty shops and general merchandise stores ready to help you find what you're looking for.

—SUE BRICKEY, BLADE STAFF WRITER

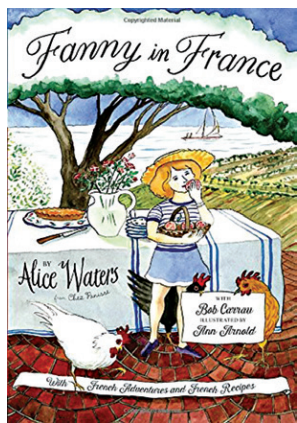


◀ **Ruffle Serveware by Q Squared NYC**
Ruffle Serveware, created in melamine from Q Squared NYC, offers a selection of platters, dishes, trays, bowls, and more. Hosts won't need to worry about shattered serveware — it's shatterproof and durable enough to withstand hard falls, according to Q Squared NYC. And another plus — it's dishwasher safe. **Pieces start at \$6.25 from the Paula Brown Shop, 912 Monroe St.**

▼ **Micro-Pop Popcorn Popper by Ecolution**
The eco-friendly Micro-Pop Popcorn Popper by Ecolution has temperature-safe glass and wide mouth to make preparation simpler. Oil and butter are not needed to pop, but its food-safe silicone lid gives the option to melt and add butter while the corn is popping. The popper is made to fit in most home microwaves, and it's dishwasher safe. **Available in two sizes starting at \$19.99 at The Andersons, Walmart, and Amazon.com.**



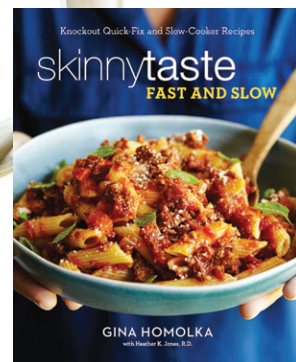
▲ **OXO Spiralizer**
The tabletop Spiralizer from OXO Good Grips with interchangeable blades can add a twist to cooking: make vegetable noodles to replace pasta, uniform spirals for garnish, curly fries, salads, and more. A suction cup prevents wobble on countertops. **Starting at \$39.99 and available at The Baker's Kitchen, 6433 Monclova Rd. Maumee, Bed Bath & Beyond, and The Andersons.**



▲ **'Fanny in France: Travel Adventures of a Chef's Daughter'**
An utterly charming storybook filled with recipes from the famed chef and owner of Chez Panisse restaurant in Berkeley, Calif. A perfect gift for introducing children to French cuisine, or for inspiring adults who dream of eating their way through France. **\$19.99 from Amazon.com, Barnes & Noble, Books-A-Million, and other sellers.**



◀ **'Skinnytaste Fast and Slow: Knockout Quick-Fix and Slow Cooker Recipes'**
Authors Gina Homolka, founder of the Skinnytaste blog, and Heather K. Jones offer something for everybody, especially people who don't have much time to cook. The cookbook has more than 80 under-30-minutes dishes, and 60 recipes to put your slow-cooker, as well as the oven and stove, to good use. The book includes vegetarian and gluten-free foods, and the recipes come with nutritional information. **Starting at \$17.99 from Amazon.com, Barnes & Noble, Books-A-Million, and other sellers.**

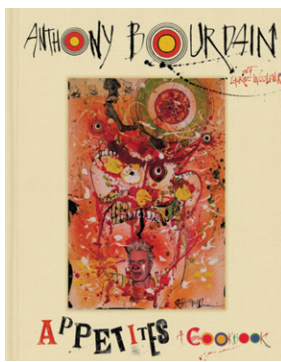


◀ **Calphalon Signature Bakeware Set**
The new Calphalon Signature Nonstick Bakeware Set has a two-tone design with an interior scratch-resistant ceramic coating, and a nonstick surface that makes cleanup simple. **Six-piece set is \$99.95 at Williams-Sonoma stores.**

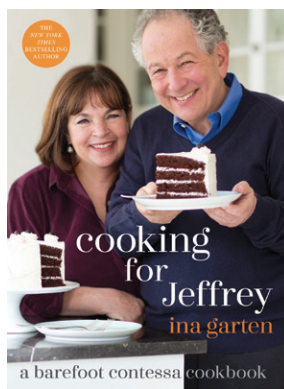


▲ **Rubbermaid Brilliance Storage Containers**
Rubbermaid Brilliance, a new line of storage containers that are leak-proof, stain-resistant, and crystal clear, are dishwasher-safe and splatter-resistant in the microwave. **Starting at \$29.99 and available at Target, Bed Bath & Beyond, Walmart, and Amazon.com.**

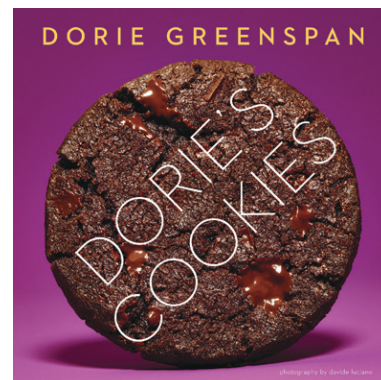
▶ **'Appetites: A Cookbook'**
Anthony Bourdain, chef, star of the CNN series *Parts Unknown*, and noted cookbook author, with the help of his assistant, Laurie Woolever, gives cooks a guide to his favorite dishes when he's at home with his young daughter, and dishes from his travels, foods that he thinks we all should learn to cook. **Starting at \$22.50, from Amazon.com, Barnes & Noble, Books-A-Million, and other sellers.**



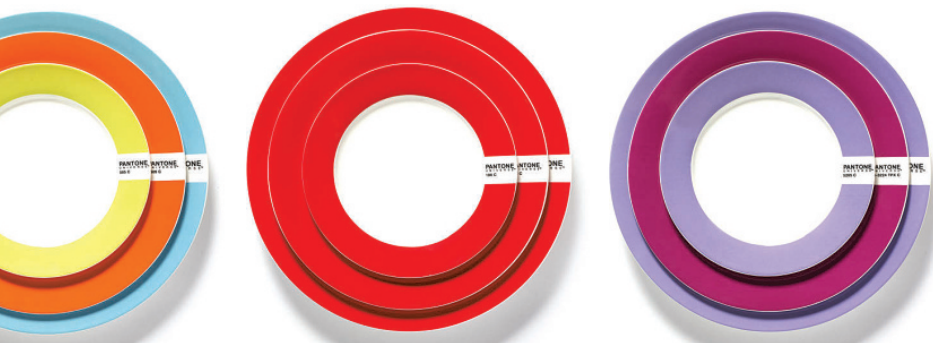
▶ **'Cooking for Jeffrey: A Barefoot Contessa Cookbook'**
Ina Garten, who stars in her own Food Network TV program, *Barefoot Contessa*, has often mentioned her husband, Jeffrey, on her show. Garten shares recipes Jeffrey and their friends request most often and stories from their many years together. There are traditional dishes that she's updated, new favorites, salads, desserts, and a chapter devoted to bread and cheese. **Starting at \$21, from Amazon.com, Barnes & Noble, Books-A-Million, and other sellers.**



▶ **'Dorie's Cookies'**
This new collection from renowned baking expert and cookbook author Dorie Greenspan highlights company's-coming confections such as portofignos, breakfast items with such ingredients as raisins and cranberries, oats, and, of course, holiday cookies. **Starting at \$20.34, from Barnes & Noble, Books-A-Million, Amazon.com, and other sellers.**



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