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First published in 1974,  
The Compleat Cook is a  
book to inspire any  
creative cook in the days  
of tasteless, mass-  
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subtle use of herbs, wines  
and flavorings of all kinds  
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tells us about Rebecca,  
her family, friends,  
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even the silver she used  
as hostess to many guests  
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London and in Houghton  
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Masson in her introduction  
is able to set Rebecca  
Price's work in a scholarly  
historical context to give a  
lively account of her  
family background. This  
book will be a useful  
resource for collectors of  
cookery books and also  
for social historians and  
students of food history.

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The Compleat Housewife  
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indicating the importance of understanding how to prepare English game. The book also includes diagrams for positioning serving dishes to create an attractive table display.

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First printed in London, The Compleat Housewife became the first cookbook to be printed in the United States in Virginia in 1742. It contains a wonderful recipe for chocolate almonds involving orange-flower water and gum-dragant (sap from the bush of *Astragalus Gummifer*).

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