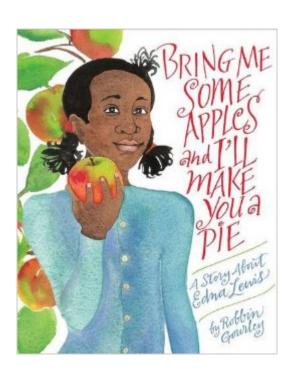
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Bring Me Some Apples And I'll Make You A Pie: A Story About Edna Lewis





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Long before the natural-food movement gained popularity, Edna Lewis championed purity of ingredients, regional cuisine, and farm-to-table eating. She was a chef when female chefsâ "let alone African American female chefsâ "were few and far between. With lyrical text and watercolor illustrations, Robbin Gourley traces the roots of Edna's appreciation for the bounties of nature through the seasons. Folk rhymes, and songs about food are sprinkled throughout the text, and five kid-friendly recipes and an author's note about Edna's life are included.

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"Start at the bottom and you pick 'em from the groundAnd you pick the tree clean all the way around; Then you set up your ladder and you climb up highAnd you're looking through the leaves at the clear blue sky."-- Larry Hanks, "Apple Picker's Reel"Today is one of those days that cannot make up its mind. It was raining earlier this morning here in Sebastopol, and it remains rather chilly, but out of the upstairs skylight there are now glimpses of sun playing hide and seek behind the cover of white and gray clouds. The snow level last night was reportedly down to 2,000 feet, but the clouds are still blocking the mountains twenty miles to the east where snow might actually become visible this afternoon -- unless the view from my hillside remains obscured by low clouds and more rain. It is a welcome day off, and I'm sitting here in solitude and flannel, dreaming of longer, warmer

days to come."'Peaches!' Auntie sighs. 'Pure as angels. Sweet as love.'"Those days are coming. Literally, in the time it has taken me to write this much, there are suddenly twice as many pink and white blossoms open on the plum trees outside my upstairs window than there were an hour ago. In just a few months I will be outside picking achingly sweet, perfect plums. I planted those plum trees a decade ago, along with peaches and persimmons and apples and cherries and pears. I also planted an olive tree and a walnut tree. The old-fashioned seeded table grapes along a fence and the swarms of boysenberry brambles out front were already thriving for a generation or more by time I moved here in '86. There are also scattered blackberry brambles along my long, rutted driveway."'We're rich as kings as long as we have beans,' says Mama.

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