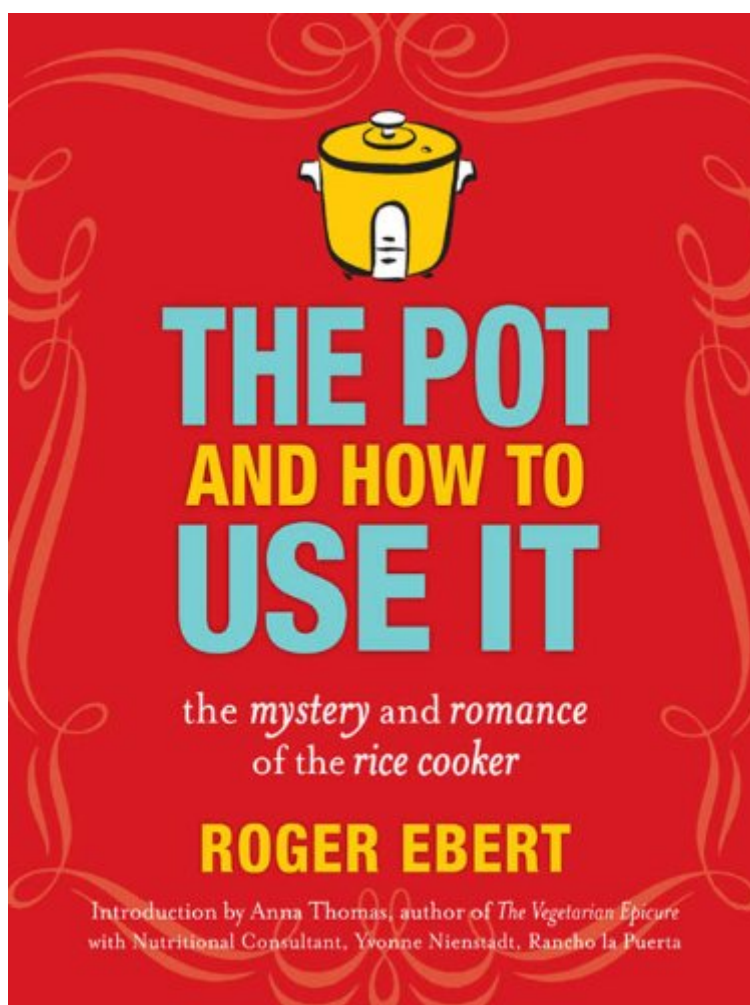




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# The Pot And How To Use It: The Mystery And Romance Of The Rice Cooker



## Synopsis

In *The Pot and How to Use It*, Roger Ebert--Pulitzer Prize-winning film critic, admitted competent cook, and long-time electric rice cooker enthusiast--gives readers a charming, practical guide to this handy and often-overlooked kitchen appliance. While *The Pot and How to Use It* contains numerous and surprisingly varied recipes for electric rice cookers, it is much more than a cookbook.

Originating from a blog entry on Roger's popular Web site, the book also includes readers' comments and recipes alongside Roger's own discerning insights and observations on why and how we cook. With an introduction by vegetarian cookbook author Anna Thomas and expert assistance from recipe consultant and nutritionist Yvonne Nienstadt, *The Pot and How to Use It* is perfect for fans of Roger's superb writing, as well as anyone looking to incorporate the convenience and versatility of electric rice cookers into his or her kitchen repertoire.

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## Customer Reviews

I expected an informative book about rice cookers and some good recipes. Not so. Although I love Roger Ebert's movies reviews, writing style, wit, etc., this book title misrepresents itself. Simply put, this is not a useful book. I have since purchased "The

Ultimate Rice Cooker Cookbook and discarded this one.

Short, fun read. Entertaining.

I love Roger Ebert and his writing. It's his wonderful writing that make this an engaging book. If, however, you are looking for hard core recipes, this is not the book for you. Most of the recipes are supplied by posters on his blog. I would have loved more recipes, but that would have gone against Ebert's philosophy of a little of this and a little bit of that. It's all very loose.

I bought this after finding myself in a position where I needed to learn to cook with no pots or pans. He opened me up to a world of possibilities of dishes that can be made with a rice cooker. I liked the creative aspect of his cooking, although with little experience, I wished for more recipes and less blog re-posting. I enjoyed the book and I've learned a lot about making healthy, tasty meals for my family and have this book to "blame" for my culinary successes!

Arrived on time and in good condition - I guess I'm used to more specific recipes (and I usually adjust from there) - Mr. Ebert kind of uses the attitude of put what ever you feel like/have on hand into the pot .

This is not your usual cookbook. First, it lets you know that you really can cook other foods besides rice in the most basic (or fancy) rice cooker. Second, it's not an extensive recipe book. There are some recipes, yes, but the book encourages you to try your own ideas. Third, the text is lively, witty, and entertaining. Roger Ebert's voice is not stilled. Fourth, buy it just to read it as a book, but you'll probably end up also buying a rice cooker or using the one you have for more foods than rice.

Not exactly a cookbook (although it does contain some recipes), this is Roger Ebert's love letter to the rice cooker and everything it can do. A love that, I must admit, I am finally starting to understand.

A most pleasurable read, to be sure. Perhaps I'm not quite adventuresome enough (yet!) to try my hand at some of the ideas in it... But it does inspire, to be sure. Not so much a how-to or a cookbook, as a lovingly written tribute to a grossly neglected and underrated household tool and ally. Posthumous thanks to Roger Ebert for this lovely book. Rest in peace, Roger.

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