Immigrant Food Memoirs with Recipes

Food memoirs with recipes written by immigrants warmly welcome readers into the domestic space and show them how they live and eat. These first-person texts lift the curtain on a subject that so many want to know about but are afraid to ask:

What makes people leave their homes and families and move to a strange land to begin their lives anew?

These memoirs share their writers’ experience of that journey. They also extend the “Welcome Table” by inviting readers to recreate the meals featured within their pages by making their families’ lives an open book in the most literal sense. This allows readers to share a first-hand taste of the experience of immigration and adaptation to U.S. culture. Children of immigrants negotiate their own ambiguous relationship to the immigrant generation and to their American peers by alternating their eating choices to reflect their sense of belonging to each of their communities.

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Luncheon Menu:
Spinach Salad with Peaches and Pecans
Pork Schnitzel with Sweet and Sour Red Cabbage
or
Grilled Vegetable Wellington
Baked Potato with Broccoli and Cheese
Strawberry Shortcake

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$17 Members/$19 Guests
Deadline for reservations and pre-payment is Wednesday, March 15.
PRINT your name as you would like it to appear on your name tag.
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