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Wreck The Halls: Cake Wrecks Gets "Festive"



Synopsis

A holiday-themed follow-up to the New York Times best-seller *Cake Wrecks*, *Wreck the Halls* features over 150 all new four-color, what-were-they-thinking cake wrecks from author and award-winning blogger Jen Yates. Cakewrecks.com receives over 4.6 million page views per month and is ranked one of the top humor blogs on the web. Award-winning blogger Jen Yates has focused on confectionery calamities at her popular Web site www.cakewrecks.blogspot.com since May 2008, while her debut book, *Cake Wrecks: When Professional Cakes Go Hilariously Wrong*, quickly climbed the charts to become a New York Times best-seller within weeks of its release. Now, Yates is back with *Wreck the Halls*, a fresh mix of fan favorites and plenty of never-before-seen holiday wreckage. From thankless Thanksgiving turkeys and confusing Christmas conundrums, to less-than-happy Hanukkah horrors and New Year's meltdowns, *Wreck the Halls* has an icing-smeared disaster for every occasion. With additional chapters on Black Friday, family communication, and navigating the murky waters of politically correct cake greetings ("Winter!"), *Wreck the Halls* combines Yates's signature blend of wit and sarcasm with the most hilarious frosting fails this side of winter solstice. Find sweet relief from the holiday madness (not to mention plenty of laughs) with *Wreck the Halls*.

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Customer Reviews

Jen Yates lives in Orlando, Florida, with her husband, John, and their two cats. She enjoys eating dessert first, quoting *Ghostbusters*, and reminding everyone that she used to be a *Jungle Cruise* skipper. When not writing for her blog *Cake Wrecks*, Jen can be found flaunting her flaming

geekiness on her other blog, Epbot. www.cakewrecks.blogspot.com

Would like to give it 3 1/2 Stars. Not quite as funny as original 'Cake Wrecks' by same author, but still has some really outstanding examples of cake decorating stupidity. Great comments must be read to appreciate author's viewpoint on cake disasters. Both books great to get mind off everyday grind, can pick them up at any time and read a couple of pages.

I used to babysit a co-worker's son quite frequently, and he would always raid my bookshelf. One of the things he absolutely loved to read was the original Cake Wrecks book, he would read it over and over and over and over. Let's just say he loved the book. Well, his birthday was coming up, and I wasn't sure what to get him, so I thought that he would like a new version of his favorite book. He absolutely loved it! He kept going on and on about all the jokes in it. Keep in mind, he is 11, but extremely intelligent. He loved getting the little jokes, and spotting the grammar mistakes. As weird as it sounds, I think it helped him realize why grammar is so important, except with a fun twist. If you have never had looked through one of these books, you will see what I mean. Some have a funny play on words, and others are just a downright disaster, or completely bizarre. It is entertaining to see the ways that cake orders are interpreted, and the Cake Wreck books are always a good conversation piece for company. If the need arises, I will definitely purchase again-but I do enjoy the Cake Wrecks Books. Hannah Booth

I thought this book was going to be lame and something only old ladies would enjoy. Boy was I wrong. This thing is hilarious. My coworkers and I (all guys in our 20s) cried and wheezed and guffawed. It starts out with spelling mistakes which are pretty funny. Then it gets to satanic looking, fire-breathing turkey things and demon-possessed Santas... And then there are cakes where the baker tried to make reindeer or footballs or something and it just looks like they squatted over the cake and took a huge dump. This is where I lost it and couldn't breathe. And I don't really like scat humor. Buy. This. Book! (Especially for the price - and get the regular edition too - it's even funnier and makes a great gift set)

good yes

Got this for my wife, who's very much into baking cakes and decorating. It's a fantastic sequel to the first book and a wonderful portable version of the website. The photos are great, the captions are

hysterical, and even if you're not heavy into cakes (I'm not a baking fanatic myself), anyone can appreciate the humor of these cake disasters. You'll laugh and you'll feel so much better about every cake you've ever made or ever bought - these are the worst of the worst, and this book made everybody in the family laugh - a lot - from myself to my wife to my teenage daughter. It's hard to find a book with true universal appeal, but both of the "Cake Wreck" books have been fantastic and they're bargain basement priced. HIGHLY recommend these if you need a bit of levity in your day.

Cake Wrecks is one of my favorite blogs to check throughout the day. Jen (and John's) commentary keep me howling and make the day brighter. And this book? Even better! It's a portable version of Cake Wrecks! It includes almost all new material of holiday wreckage (and some special appearances of fan favorites) and Jen's witty/snarky commentary that will brighten up even the darkest day. Be amazed at the cakes "professionals" get away with creating and selling. See cakes in a whole new way after Jen reveals what those cupcake and cake wreckages really are. I guarantee that your trips to the bakery will never be the same after looking at this book. If you've never read the blog (why the heck not???) you can still pick up the book and enjoy it just as much as fans of the blog. A must have for those times when you're feeling down and the sky's are gray.

This book was pretty good BUT NOT great. I just enjoyed the different cakes that some people have made. I would take pictures of them if I had seen cakes of those types. I didn't give it a 5 star rating because it just didn't have all of that remembering "flair" like that "I fixed it (No, you Didn't)". I would suggest you to just "view" this book BEFORE you go & buy it.

A friend gave us this book for Christmas, but it ended up in my 10 year old son's hands. I have never heard him laugh as hard as he did while reading this book. For a whole week, all we would hear from his bedroom every night was laughing out loud. It's a surprising find and I would totally recommend it for 'tween kids in your life.

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