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Cookie Swap Long : Looking for a unique cookie swap theme or cookie? Look no further than Cookie Swap by Julia Usher where she takes the popular idea of the cookie exchange party to new heights and new directions. Cookie Swap

is filled with delectable recipes and tasty treats sure to please at any gathering whether you're looking for something colorful and chewy like the Bunny Trail Mix Cookies or feeling a bit nutty for the Under her Thumb(print) Cookies rolled in hazelnuts and topped with a creamy, white-chocolate ganache. This elegant entertaining book shows that the cookie swap is perfectly suited not only to holiday gatherings but also to garden parties, showers, children's birthdays, summer get-togethers, and more. Talented baker Julia Usher reveals that cookies are infinitely adaptable to different party themes and times of year, resulting in scores of delightful possibilities. Themes and events include: Affairs of the Heart (Valentine's Day, Anniversaries, Birthdays), Spring Fling, Vision in White: (Weddings), Fun in the Sun (Summer), Garden Parties, Deck the Halls (Christmas), and even a theme for going back to school! Discover a mouth-watering cookie for your next swap:

From Publishers Weekly Starred . Encouraging Christmastime cookie swappers to up the ante with plans for eight themed swaps-including Valentine's Day, bridal shower, garden party and Halloween (plus Christmas)-Usher produces a wealth of eye-catching bakery, decoration and entertainment ideas for hosts of all experience levels. Recipes are helpfully categorized by skill level, time commitment and type, allowing readers to decide quickly if they're up for the task of Eggnog Cheesecake Streusel Bars, a one on Usher's scale (meaning novice-appropriate), or the mini Chocolate Chai Burgers on Sesame Seed Buns, a considerably more complicated recipe that merits a three. The result is a book that bakers can come back to as their experience and confidence grows, with at least one recipe worth tackling in each theme. Usher's suggestions for transporting cookies via vintage lunch box or Christmas ornament box, and party ideas like dish towels imprinted with vintage postcards, are easy and ingenious, sure to appeal to fans of the Barefoot Contessa and Martha Stewart (no surprise from the designer dessert maker whose work has appeared in *Chocolatier*, *Better Homes and Gardens*, *Bon Appetit* and *Modern Bride*). A cookie is one of life's most precious, delicious gifts. Swapping them with friends is all the better. Julia Usher's gorgeous and doable ideas inspire us not only to trade cookies at holiday time but the whole year through. Filled to the brim with mouthwatering recipes and delectable photographs, *Cookie Swap* is a sweet treat to savor and celebrate. Nancy Wall Hopkins, Deputy Food and Entertaining Editor, *Better Homes and Gardens Magazine* (Nancy Wall Hopkins *Better Homes Gardens* 2009-05-12) This creative book has become my new gold-standard guide to cookie decorating. Talented baker Julia Usher provides foolproof recipes and teaches us decorating techniques, from the simplest bar cookie to elaborate showpieces. Her whimsical designs and ideas make this book as fun as it is informative. Open it to any page-you're bound to be inspired. mdash; Tish Boyle, Editor, *Dessert Professional* (formerly *Chocolatier*) and author of *The Good Cookie* and *The Cake Book* (Trish Boyle *Dessert Professional* 2009-05-12) "Julia Usher's lovely cookies will inspire you to become a dedicated cookie decorating hobbyist." Nick Malgieri, Author of *The Modern Baker*, *How to Bake*, and *Cookies Unlimited* (Nick Malgieri Author of *The Modern Baker*, *How to Bake*, and *Cookies Unlimited* 2009-05-12) Julia Usher is one smart cookie . . . and luckily, we can now all be invited to her *Cookie Swap*! Her new book has it all: complete basics for beginners, everything a home baker needs to perfect the simple art of "something out of nearly nothing," and imaginative creativity for pros. Well-tested recipes are reliable, fun, and scrumptious; photos are enticing; and party ideas are both practical and budget conscious. Essential for all bakers, this excellent guide to year-round cookie swap parties is a winner. Susan G. Purdy, author of *Pie in the Sky* (Susan G Purdy author of *Pie in the Sky* 2009-05-12) Julia Usher's over-the-top cookies and detailed, theme-inspired swaps promise joyful sharing and sweet memories for year-round entertaining. Flo Braker, author of *Baking for All Occasions*, *The Simple Art of Perfect Baking*, and *Sweet Miniatures* (Flo Braker author of *Baking for All Occasions*, *The Simple Art of Perfect Baking*, and *Sweet Miniatures* 2009-05-12) *Cookie Swap: Creative Treats to Share Throughout the Year* Julia M. Usher. Gibbs Smith, \$19.99 paper (160p) ISBN 9781423603788 Encouraging Christmastime cookie swappers to up the ante with plans for eight themed swaps-including Valentine's Day, bridal shower, garden party and Halloween (plus Christmas)-Usher produces a wealth of eye-catching bakery, decoration and entertainment ideas for hosts of all experience levels. Recipes are helpfully categorized by skill level, time commitment and type, allowing readers to decide quickly if they're up for the task of Eggnog Cheesecake Streusel Bars, a one on Usher's scale (meaning novice-appropriate), or the mini Chocolate Chai Burgers on Sesame Seed Buns, a considerably more complicated recipe that merits a three. The result is a book that bakers can come back to as their experience and confidence grows, with at least one recipe worth tackling in each theme. 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Usher Photographs by Steve Adams Cookie swaps are not just for Christmas anymore! *Cookie Swap: Creative Treats to Share Throughout the Year* shows that the cookie swap is perfectly suited

not only to holiday gatherings but also to garden parties, showers, children's birthdays, summer get-togethers, and more. A cookie swap has all the same traits that make a potluck so effortless to host. Plus, the idea of a party all about cookies is simply irresistible, no matter what the season. As talented baker Julia M. Usher reveals, cookies are infinitely adaptable to different party themes and times of year, resulting in scores of delightful possibilities. Among Cookie Swap's eight parties are a kids' summer bash, with Lemonade Slices and Chocolate Chip Watermelon - Wedges; a spooky Halloween fest, featuring Witches' -Fingers and Friendly Ghosts; and a classic Christmas swap with Hot Buttered Rum Meltaways, Cranberry-Pistachio Biscotti, and Eggnog Cheesecake Streusel Bars. With dozens of decorating and invitation ideas, over 50 delectable recipes, mouthwatering photos, and tips on hosting the best swap possible, Cookie Swap will inspire readers to make the sharing of cookies the centerpiece of every event.

About the Author Julia M. Usher is a celebrated pastry chef and food writer who has designed extraordinary desserts for such magazines as *Chocolatier*, *Better Homes and Gardens*, *Bon Appetit*, and *Modern Bride*, and such books as *Vera Wang on Weddings* and *For the Love of Food*. Usher is a former Contributing Editor at *Chocolatier* magazine, a James Beard Foundation Journalism Awards finalist, and a Director of the International Association of Culinary Professionals (IACP). She divides her time between St. Louis, Missouri and Stonington, Maine. Steve Adams loves making beautiful photos of all kinds of food and beverages for companies like Nestle, Anheuser-Busch, Bacardi, Panera, and Kraft. Steve is active in IACP and the American Society of Media Photographers (ASMP) and has taught studio photography at the university level and the Maine Media Workshops. He lives in St. Louis, Missouri.