



The Lazy Gourmet: Magnificent Meals Made Easy

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Author Bios

Robin Donovan is the author of *Campfire Cuisine: Gourmet Recipes for the Great Outdoors*, coauthor of the *New York Times* bestseller *Dr. Gott's No Flour, No Sugar Diet*, and restaurants editor of *Moon Metro San Francisco*. Her food writing has appeared on the pages of *Cooking Light*, *Fitness*, *The San Jose Mercury News*, *Seattle Post-Intelligencer*, www.Sallys-Place.com, *The San Francisco Chronicle*, and other popular publications. Robin knows her way around a kitchen—and has even been known to enjoy devoting hours to creating exceedingly elaborate dishes—but with a busy writing schedule and an even busier kid, she has to rely on quick, simple recipes if she wants keep up appearances with her foodie friends.

Juliana Gallin is the poster girl for Lazy Gourmets. She loves to delight friends and family with magnificent meals, but always aims to avoid complicated, time-consuming, dish-dirtying culinary labors. Her bottom line is that she values flavor, surprise, and sophistication in her cooking, but not if it means having to miss *Hoarders*. When she's not cooking effortless gourmet feasts, or writing books about how to cook effortless gourmet feasts, Juliana works as a graphic designer and produces several popular speakers' series in San Francisco, including *Ask a Scientist*, *How-To Night*, and *Comedy Talks*.

Robin and Juliana met as college housemates in Santa Cruz, California, where they spent almost as much time cooking as studying. Robin was comfortable in the kitchen, having grown up watching (and helping) her mother, a professional restaurant critic and accomplished cook, prepare dinner each night. Juliana, on the other hand, could follow a recipe but was convinced she had no natural instinct for cooking until many years later, when it dawned on her that some of the most elegant, beautiful, and memorable meals she encountered were also some of the simplest. *The Lazy Gourmet* is the result of years of friendship, cooking and eating together, sharing ideas, and abiding by the simple notion that cooking well can actually be quite easy.