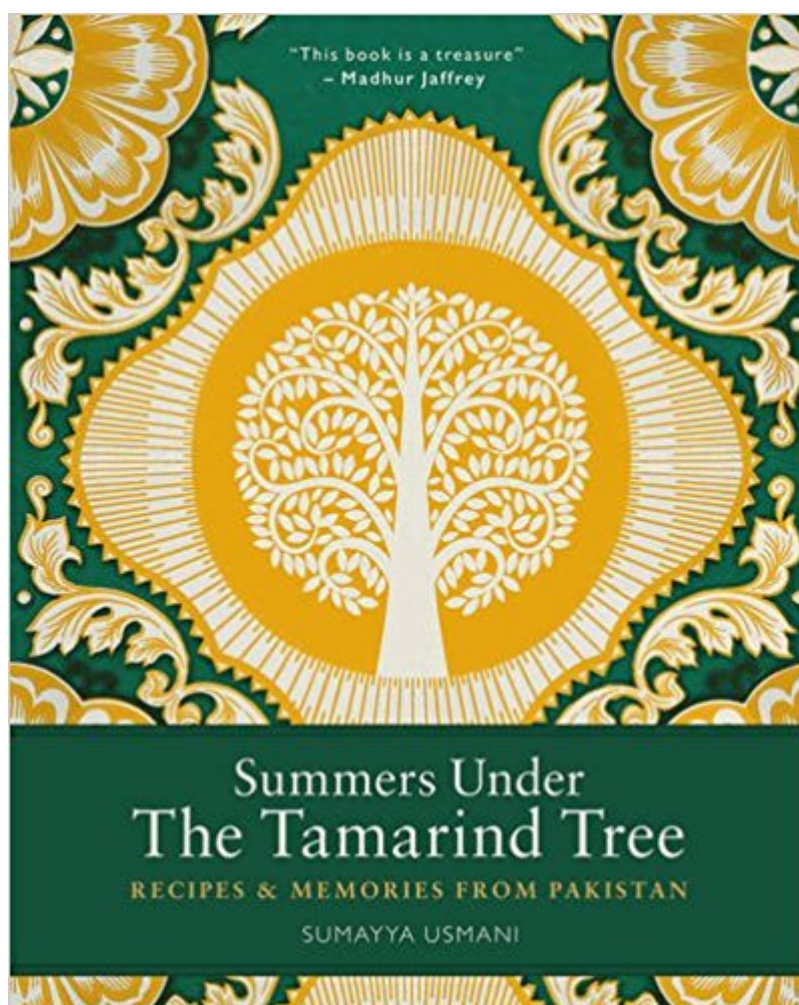


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# Summers Under The Tamarind Tree: Recipes And Memories From Pakistan



## Synopsis

Winner &#39;Best First Book&#39; - Gourmand World Cookbook Awards 2016  
Summers Under the Tamarind Tree is a contemporary Pakistani cookbook celebrating the varied, exciting and often-overlooked cuisine of a beautiful country. In it, former lawyer-turned-food writer and cookery teacher Sumayya Usmani captures the rich and aromatic pleasure of Pakistani cooking through more than 100 recipes. She also celebrates the heritage and traditions of her home country and looks back on a happy childhood spent in the kitchen with her grandmother and mother. Pakistani food is influenced by some of the world's greatest cuisines. With a rich coastline, it enjoys spiced seafood and amazing fish dishes; while its borders with Iran, Afghanistan, India and China ensure strong Arabic, Persian and varied Asian flavours. Sumayya brings these together beautifully showcasing the exotic yet achievable recipes of Pakistan.

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Chefs"Beautifully written and photographed, this collection of more than 100 family recipes will inspire you to open up the spice cabinet and make something brand-new -

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Great addition to my library and a good set of authentic recipes.

A truly unique cookbook on curries and spices. Love the recipes and photos and they are very easy to work with. The end result is something very delicious.

Wonderful Book

I have loved Sumayya's blog and am thrilled to have her cookbook. I have already cooked several recipes and they were all great. I also appreciate her providing some background about Pakistani cooking. It is a rich cooking heritage but doesn't get the acclaim that Indian cooking does.

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