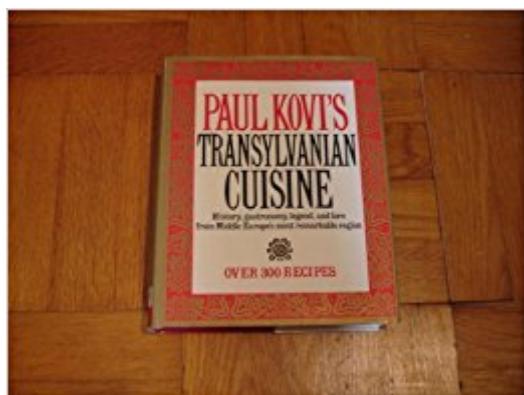


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Paul Kovi has lovingly created an important record of the food and traditions of Transylvania. The book records a time when Transylvania was a place of diverse cultures and unique traditions. Forced migration, ethnic cleansing and new national borders, after World War two, may have changed this for ever and that is why this book is so valuable. However the book is not just an historical record. There are many dishes I want to cook and many more I wish I could cook. The combination of history, poetry and recipes is wonderful.

Great essays about history of this fascinating cuisine!

It was an Interesting read for a novice on Transylvanian cuisine, but enjoyable with throws of poetry inbetween

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