New cookbook shines with light, laughter & love in every dish - but it's the beauty and untimely loss of a storybook marriage that is the main course.

"Love," as Scottie Jeanette writes, "is the most important ingredient - and the specific flavor of that love as you hold someone in your heart while you cook for them, makes that dish particularly special." With this as the central core of the Madden home, Scottie Jeanette describes their home "Reckless Kitchen" (a philosophy, strategy, and religion all rolled into one) through a year of dinner parties & holiday celebrations (with unique spins on both classic and inventive recipes) from the home of one of the greatest love stories ever lived.

Mrs. Madden lays it all out in 13 months of menus and recipes that run from elegant holiday treats and dinners to backyard bar-b-ques and everything in between with humor, warmth and the accompanying pathos of life and family.

With layout and design by one of LA's top graphic design companies, The Refinery, and sumptuous food photography by Mena Kerry Kehoe, Reckless in the Kitchen is a gorgeous book that will be treasured for generations, but like most of Scottie Jeanette's SoCal-inspired cuisine, beware, it packs a spicy emotional wallop: "A cookbook is a surprisingly accurate journal of the flow of life, the ups and downs that all couples face, the sugar where it's needed, the spice. For over thirty years I've been cooking for My love and our friends, it was finally time to write it all down. I just didn't really know I was documenting the last year of our marriage... until it was."

The "published date" of October 6th is intentional, it is the one-year anniversary of the passing of Marcy M. Madden. A beautiful and fitting tribute to her life and legacy, and a fulfillment of one of her last wishes to her beloved Scottie Jeanette, to "keep Zuzubean going."

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