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## In the Know

Instead of wrestling with a whole turkey, ask your butcher to remove the legs and thighs and leave the breast bone in. Add your favorite **spice rub** to each cut.

Adam and Jackie Sappington, The Country Cat, Portland, OR



Sometimes the simplest version of a classic recipe is best. I love Ocean Spray's **three-ingredient cranberry sauce**: Just combine a bag of cranberries, about  $\frac{3}{4}$  cup sugar and a cut-up seedless orange, skin and all, in a food processor. You can make it up to two days in advance, too.

Jen Jasinski, Rioja, Denver



For **extra-crispy skin**, season the turkey inside and out with salt and pepper the day before. Refrigerate overnight, uncovered, on a rack inside a rimmed baking sheet. Mary Sue Milliken, Border Grill, Los Angeles



For the creamiest mashed potatoes, use a **stand mixer**. Add cooked potatoes to the bowl and mash them with a paddle attachment, then add warm cream and diced cold butter.

Nina Compton, Compère Lapin and Bywater American Bistro, New Orleans



Offer guests another (easy!) dessert in addition to pie: Top premade pound cake with a seasonal fruit compote or serve **pudding with whipped cream**.

Nyasha Arrington, Native, Santa Monica



Skip the homemade **pie dough**. I know, it's blasphemy, but companies are making really great doughs that you can easily roll into your own pans. Trader Joe's makes my favorite version and it saves me a lot of time.

Katy Smith, Puesto, Irvine, CA



The best part of stuffing is the crispy outside bits. Use a **muffin tin** to make single servings of stuffing so everyone gets more crunchy goodness.

Cory Harwell, Carson Kitchen, Las Vegas

