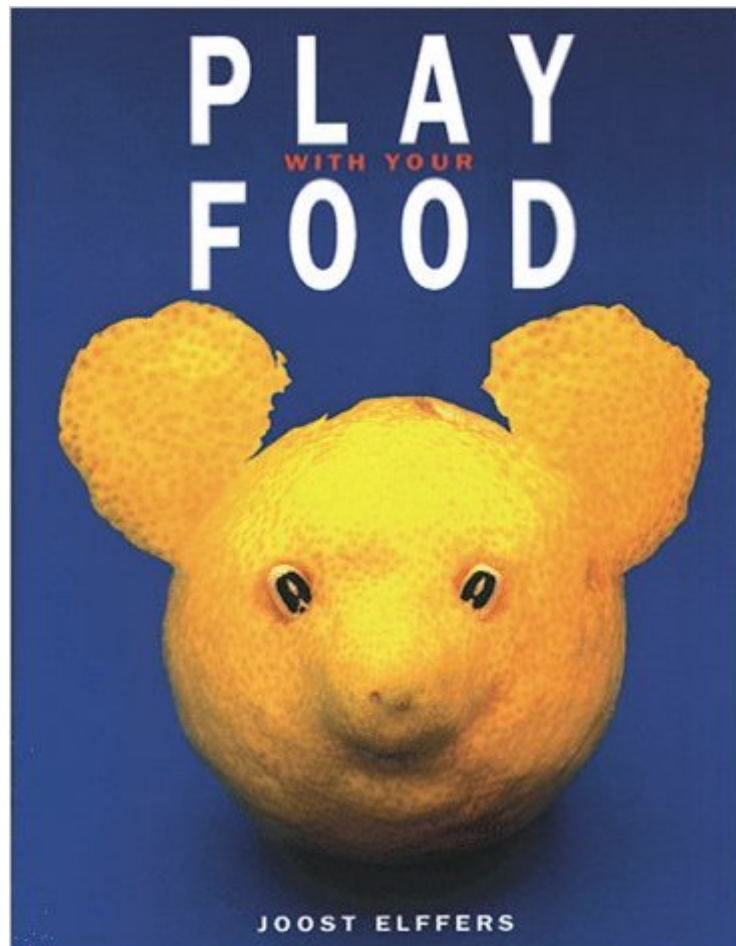


The book was found

# Play With Your Food



## Synopsis

How many times have you picked up a fruit or vegetable and laughed at how much it resembles an animal or person? Play with Your Food shows you how to look at something ordinary and turn it into something magical. No special tools or techniques are needed, just you -- and your child's -- imagination.

## Book Information

Hardcover: 109 pages

Publisher: Stewart Tabori & Chang; First Edition edition (September 1997)

Language: English

ISBN-10: 1556706308

ISBN-13: 978-1556706301

Product Dimensions: 0.8 x 8.8 x 11.2 inches

Shipping Weight: 2 pounds

Average Customer Review: 4.5 out of 5 starsÂ Â See all reviewsÂ (31 customer reviews)

Best Sellers Rank: #708,204 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #80 inÂ Books > Cookbooks, Food & Wine > Main Courses & Side Dishes > Garnishes #208 inÂ Books > Humor & Entertainment > Humor > Cooking #680 inÂ Books > Crafts, Hobbies & Home > Home Improvement & Design > How-to & Home Improvements > Home Repair

## Customer Reviews

Joost Elffers's terrific "Play with Your Food" is a wacky trip inside the imagination of someone who is equally obsessed with food and faces. Elffers, a Dutchman, has a typically European flair for the dramatic and shows it off to great effect with the fruits and vegetables he chooses to showcase in this marvelous book. Picture, if you will, a wee family of bears carved out of zucchini--or a pensive carrot couple glancing askance at each other--or a shy banana. Crazy as it sounds, these things are not only possible but positively enchanting. Elffers manages to give each little edible face some human expression so that the photographs seem to show us not something we might find on our salad plate (or in our fruit bowl) but something we might see across the breakfast table as we look at our spouse or children. Elffers's sense of humor and inventiveness is captivating. Highly recommended for anyone who dislikes eating their vegetables--they just might enjoy gazing at their vegetables instead, if Elffers is in charge!

Don't think for a moment that the insane food presentation ideas in this book are only meant to

delight children; adults I've entertained become hysterical when served okra lizards or pigs carved from citrus fruits. Two caveats if you try any of these techniques: choose the right sized knife, and make sure it is sharp. Another good idea is to have spare food on hand; you'll ruin an attempt or two for sure as you slice your way up the learning curve. Food writer Elliot Essman's other reviews and food articles are available at [...]

This is such a fun book! It is a great coffee table book or children's gift. My children (ages 1, 4, 4, and 6) can sit and browse through it for the longest time. My one year old thinks it is absolutely hilarious and it's wonderful for encouraging the imagination. We have lots of fun making our own silly people and faces with food. I have given this book as a gift to other children before and, although the kids always like it, the adults at the party always seem to spend the most time looking at it. Definitely one of my favorite books.

My mother always stopped me from playing with my food. This book shows why she was completely wrong! From the front cover, with the cute lemon bear, through the pear rabbits and snow pea insects, to the winking pumpkin on the back cover, this book will astound you with its creativity. The first part of *Play with Your Food* is an essay on the difference between seeing and looking. The main and largest part is photographs of hundreds of food animals made by the authors. The last part is examples and instructions on how to make your own food animals. It's fascinating to see how one can change a face from happy to sad to angry with only the small adjustment of eyes carved from almonds. *Play with Your Food* is one of the only cute, adorable books I've ever read or looked at that hasn't made me ill. It provides laughter and creative project ideas for people of all ages. From toddlers to octogenarians, this book will delight.

If you wish to re-discover the sense of amazement you had when still in Kindergarten, if you want to share the -wow- with a child or friends, Joost Elffers is your guide. He takes you by the hand, while you create whimsical creatures out of bell peppers, garlic bulbs, bananas, leeks and more, without ruining food. Eat that dolphin-like banana, sautee a garlic swan, fill a stock-pot with some angry leeks and mousy yams. Joost Elffers lets you *Play With Your Food* without making you feel guilty.

I bought this book hoping to learn about making cute things for dinner guests or for my daughter, it is not that kind of book. This book would only be useful for an artist trying to get their work into a museum or something. The food is not 'edible' in that it uses raw root vegetables, raw beans, cherry

stems, etc.Plus, I got all the information from it after the first flip-through. If you are interested in this type of thing, I agree with the other reviewer who said to look at it from a library or a friend, don't waste your money on this.

Great to be able to see how the authors created animals and "people" with fruit and vegetables - all readily available in most grocery stores. VERY fun to look at and do yourself with a young friend. Great photography too.

If you have never had the pleasure of flipping through the pages of this book, then buy it today! At first glance, it is merely a whimsical, albeit beautiful, series of photos. However, upon closer inspection, the expressions on the faces really start to come across. And, yes, I'm talking about produce! This is a great book to put on your coffee table and share with your friends.

[Download to continue reading...](#)

The Food Service Professional Guide to Controlling Restaurant & Food Service Food Costs (The Food Service Professional Guide to, 6) (The Food Service Professionals Guide To) The Food Service Professional Guide to Controlling Restaurant & Food Service Operating Costs (The Food Service Professional Guide to, 5) (The Food Service Professionals Guide To) The Complete Food Dehydrator Cookbook: How to Dehydrate Your Favorite Foods Using Nesco, Excalibur or Presto Food Dehydrators, Including 101 Recipes. (Food Dehydrator Recipes) (Volume 1) Ultimate Drum Play-Along Led Zeppelin, Vol 1: Play Along with 8 Great-Sounding Tracks (Authentic Drum), Book & 2 CDs (Ultimate Play-Along) The Perfect Play: Play-by-Play, Book 1 Ultimate Guitar Play-Along Led Zeppelin, Vol 1: Play Along with 8 Great-Sounding Tracks (Authentic Guitar TAB), Book & 2 CDs (Ultimate Play-Along) Ultimate Easy Guitar Play-Along -- The Doors: Eight Songs with Full TAB, Play-Along Tracks, and Lesson Videos (Easy Guitar TAB), Book & DVD (Ultimate Easy Play-Along) Just Play: Book 3 Last Play Romance Series (A Bachelor Billionaire Companion) (The Last Play Series) Food Politics: How the Food Industry Influences Nutrition and Health (California Studies in Food and Culture) Food Processor Greats: Delicious Food Processor Recipes, The Top 100 Food Processor Recipes Food Service Menus: Pricing and Managing the Food Service Menu for Maximun Profit (The Food Service Professional Guide to Series 13) Food Politics: How the Food Industry Influences Nutrition, and Health, Revised and Expanded Edition (California Studies in Food and Culture) More Than Just Food: Food Justice and Community Change (California Studies in Food and Culture) Food Truck Business: How to Start Your Own Food Truck While Growing & Succeeding as Your Own Boss Play With Your Food The Solar Food Dryer: How to Make and Use

Your Own Low-Cost, High Performance, Sun-Powered Food Dehydrator Food Forensics: The Hidden Toxins Lurking in Your Food and How You Can Avoid Them for Lifelong Health Good Food, Great Business: How to Take Your Artisan Food Idea from Concept to Marketplace The Food Babe Way: Break Free from the Hidden Toxins in Your Food and Lose Weight, Look Years Younger, and Get Healthy in Just 21 Days! Taylor Swift: Clarinet Play-Along Book with Online Audio (Instrumental Play-Along)

[Dmca](#)