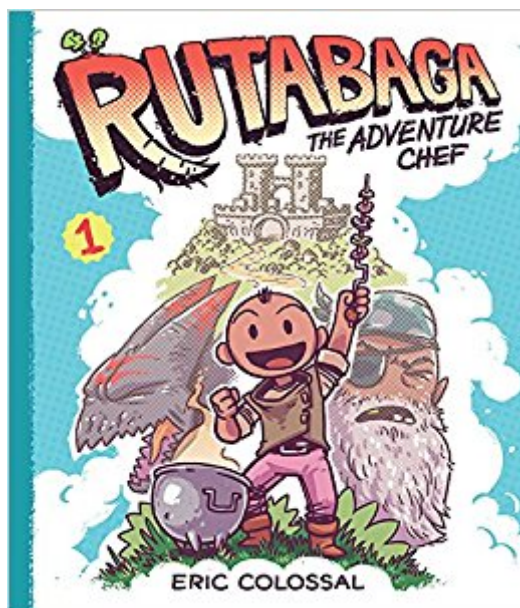


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# Rutabaga The Adventure Chef: Book 1



## Synopsis

In a world where there are dragons, wyverns, and haunted squash, you'd figure someone would have recipes for them, right? Rutabaga and his magic cooking pot, Pot, join young adventurers Winnifred, Manny, and Beef on a quest to defeat a dragon, discover new ingredients, find monsters to have for and/or to dinner, and to save the day through cooking. Rutabaga will dare any danger to uncover new tastes, and there's a whole world full of food to try from roasted mud leech to spider soup to peanut butter on crackers. His heroic recipes combine real ingredients, fantasy ingredients, and real ingredients that sound fantastical. Rutabaga the Adventure Chef is the perfect adventure for any kid grossed out when something weird shows up on the dinner table.

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

Gr 2-4 • Rutabaga is on the prowl for adventure, but not the kind that most knights and warriors yearn for. As an adventure chef, Rutabaga, along with his magical walking kettle, Pot, explores magical lands and looks for rare ingredients and exotic monsters to cook in order to make the most amazing meals possible. He first follows a group of knights on the hunt for a giant and

possibly tasty dragon and soon ends up cooking for everyone, from kings and royal pets to barbarians and ghosts. Things hardly ever go as planned, however, and Rutabaga often has to concoct an exquisite dish to solve his problems and help his friends. As the story continues, Rutabaga doesn't really transition between adventures and more or less just wanders off until he happens on his next quest, making this selection feel more like a collection of short comics than an actual book. Still, author Colossal perfectly mixes action and humor, similar in style to "Adventure Time" comics writer Ryan North, only with simple enough language to please the chapter book-reading crowd. And his simple, manga-influenced illustrations will be just as easily accessible. A promising first course in a series that could really take off. — Peter Blenski, Greenfield Public Library, WI --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.

"Colossal's full-color, cartoonish illustrations, with their heavy linework and simple figures, match the light, goofy tone of the stories." (Kirkus Reviews 2014-12-15)"Colossal perfectly mixes action and humor...A promising first course in a series that could really take off." (Peter Blenski, Greenfield Public Library, WI School Library Journal 2015-01-01)"Rutabaga's culinary feats in the comic...could easily inspire young adventure chefs to make some gourmet grub of their own." (Sarah Hunter Booklist 2015-01-01)"The graphic-novel format works well here, pairing vivid retro-toned illustrations with a mostly cheerful, bouncy narration...future chefs will be well pleased that there are a few real recipes at the end of the book." (The Bulletin of the Center for Children's Books) --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.

This book is so fun. My 6yo has us read it over and over, and we honestly don't mind. It's laugh out loud funny. It gives you a great adventure story without once giving into cliché--always zagging when you think it's going to zig. The drawings are fun. There's nothing traumatic in it (no parent deaths or "oh no, the main character is dead--just kidding!!" moments. It spoke to the D&D gamer in my heart and I buy it for other people all the time.

Full of adventure and humor, this book is sure to appeal to any graphic novel lover, as well as cooking show enthusiasts and fairytale land lovers who love a good adventure, strange beasts, and a king here or there. I thoroughly enjoyed this book and highly recommend it.

I read the webcomic and really enjoyed it and the book is really great too. I like that Rutabaga is a brown guy because he totally reminds me of my half Thai friend who works at and partly owns a

restaurant. He really enjoyed the book too

Fantastic compilation of the comics with a rather cool hardcover. Well written and illustrated, this book is certainly has a home on my shelf.

My son loves this fun and funny series. Got book 1 and 2.

Loved by both the kids and adults in the family. Fun book!

Cute and fun -my kids love it!

Son loved!

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