

Rachel Khoo

Chef & Presenter of 'The Little Paris Kitchen'

BIOGRAPHY

Rachel's unconventional food background has helped formulate her unique culinary touch. She graduated with a Bachelors degree in Art & Design from the renowned Central Saint Martins College of Art and Design in London. Thereafter she worked for a luxury fashion brand, doing PR and e-marketing. Ultimately, her passion for pâtisserie lured her to Paris, where she studied at Le Cordon Bleu and obtained a pastry diploma.

She put her skills to excellent use at the delightful Paris culinary bookstore and tea salon, La Cocotte. There Rachel concocted delicious sweet treats, regularly providing catering for culinary book launches and hosting cookery classes on site. Following the success of her edible endeavours at La Cocotte, she now works on culinary projects throughout the world. Her role as an international food creative has spanned six-course dinners and workshops in places as far-flung as London, Paris, Berlin, Milan, Melbourne, Sydney and Buenos Aires.

She is also a food writer with books *Barres à céréales*, *Granola et Muesli Faites Maison* and *Pâtes à Tartiner* published by Marabout. *Barres à céréales*, *Granola et Muesli Faites Maison* has also been published in Dutch, Italian and most recently in English, and *Pâtes à Tartiner* in English. Her third cookbook (her first English book), *The Little Paris Kitchen*, was published by Penguin on 15 March 2012. This book has also been translated into Dutch, French, Italian, German, Danish, Japanese, Latvian, Russian, Portuguese, Polish, Taiwanese, Korean and Norwegian, and been published in the USA by Chronicle Books.

Her first cookery show, *The Little Paris Kitchen*, aired on BBC2 from 19 March 2012 for six weeks, and has since screened around the world, from Australia to Brazil, Canada to Finland, the USA to Hong Kong and more.

Rachel's fourth book, *My Little French Kitchen*, was published by Michael Joseph in the autumn of 2013. Foreign editions have been published in the following territories: Germany, Holland, Taiwan, US, Japan and Poland.

Rachel's TV show for BBC World Wide, *Rachel Khoo's Kitchen Notebook: London* and *Rachel Khoo's Kitchen Notebook: Cosmopolitan Cook*, aired around the globe in 2013. Rachel's fifth book *Rachel Khoo's Kitchen Notebook*, featuring all the recipes from the show plus many more, was published in the UK by Michael Joseph in February 2015. It has since been published in New Zealand, Australia, Germany, the Netherlands, Japan and the USA. It is available to order from Amazon now.

A six-part series *A Cook Abroad* aired on BBC2 and BBC2 HD in the UK in February 2015. Rachel was one of the featured cooks in this fun series which sees cooks journey to places that inspire them. In her episode, Rachel travels to Malaysia to explore part of her culinary heritage. Watch the trailer here.

Rachel Khoo's Kitchen Notebook: Melbourne aired in Australia on SBS in July 2015 and is currently airing around the world. In February 2016, Rachel appeared as a guest judge on the popular Australian competitive cooking show, *My Kitchen Rules*. She co-hosted *Zumbo's Just Desserts* on Australia's Channel 7, which aired during summer 2016 and is now screening around the world on Netflix.

She has regularly written recipes for the London Evening Standard, The Times, The Guardian and various other media outlets. She has also consulted for hotels, restaurants and blue chip clients, including the The Ned – a Soho house x Sydell Group hotel in London.

In 2015 Rachel launched, *Khoollect* – a creative studio based in London and online community celebrating inspiration found in unlikely places.



She has recently completed renovating Khoollect Studio and written her sixth cookbook, *The Little Swedish Kitchen*, published in the UK by Michael Joseph in July 2018. It has since been published in Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, Germany and Sweden. Rachel's show 'My Swedish Kitchen' is currently able to be viewed on the Food Network.

In 2020, Rachel's brand new series aired on The Food Network, called *Simple Pleasures*. The series was co-produced by Hungry Gap Productions and production company, WikHoo. The show followed Rachel cooking some of her favourite recipes using everyday ingredients, all filmed in her own home.

Rachel's headshot taken by Lara Messer.

TELEVISION

| DATE | PRODUCTION (ROLE) | COMPANY |
|-----------|---|---|
| 2020 | Remarkable Places to Eat (Presenter) | Outline Productions for BBC2 |
| 2020 | Simple Pleasures (Presenter) | Peas in a Pot and Hungry Gap Productions for The Food Network |
| 2019 | My Swedish Kitchen (Presenter) | Splay One for Food Network |
| 2016-2019 | Zumbo's Just Desserts (Presenter) | Seven Network Productions for Seven |
| 2016 | The TV That Made Me (Contributor) | Raise The Roof Productions for BBC1 |
| 2015 | My Kitchen Rules (Presenter) | Seven Network for Seven |
| 2015 | Rachel Khoo's Kitchen Notebook: Melbourne (Presenter) | Fremantle Australia production for SBS |
| 2015 | A Cook Abroad: Rachel Khoo's Malaysia (Presenter) | BBC production for BBC2 |
| 2014 | Rachel Khoo's Kitchen Notebook (Presenter) | Good Food Channel |
| 2014 | BBC Breakfast (Guest) | BBC1 |
| 2014 | Spring Kitchen (Contributor) | Cactus TV for BBC1 |
| 2013-14 | Rachel Khoo's Kitchen Notebook: London (Presenter) | BBC Lifestyle |
| 2012-13 | Food and Drink (Contributor) | BBC1 |
| 2012 | Little Paris Kitchen (Presenter) | BBC1 |
| 2012 | The One Show (Guest) | BBC1 |

BOOKS

| DATE | PUBLICATION (ROLE) | COMPANY |
|------|---|---------|
| 2018 | Little Swedish Kitchen (Author) | Penguin |
| 2015 | Rachel Khoo's Kitchen Notebook (Author) | Penguin |
| 2013 | Little French Kitchen (Author) | Penguin |

JOURNALISM

| DATE | PUBLICATION (ROLE) |
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| 2012-15 | ES Magazine (Columnist) |
