

PDACookbook™ Quick Start Documentation

Introduction:

PDACookbook™ allows easy recipe management, meal planning, shopping list management, and more from any Windows PC, and it includes a data viewer for Blackberry devices. This document provides information on the handheld software, as the PC software has its own complete help file system. You may want to print this document for easier reference.

Installation:

To install the software, download the setup file (usually PDACookbookBB_Setup.exe) to your PC. Then, double click the .exe setup file to start the PC installer. The installer will install the PC software first. When the software is first run after installing, instructions for installing the Blackberry components will be displayed, as an automated install is not possible to the Blackberry. Use these steps to configure the Blackberry components:

To install the device software:

1. Connect your BlackBerry to your desktop PC
2. Launch the BlackBerry Desktop Manager software on the PC
3. BACKUP your device with the Backup / Restore feature
4. Double-click the Application Loader icon
5. Click Next in the Application Loader Wizard
6. Click the Add button and browse to select / open this file:
C:\Program Files\PDACookbook\pdacookbook.alx (or equivalent location)
7. Click Next and the software will be installed on the device

To setup synchronization for the Blackberry:

1. Start the Blackberry Desktop Manager
2. Double-click the Synchronization icon
3. Make sure the 'Execute Add-in actions' box is checked
4. Click the Configuration tab
5. Click the Configure Add-ins button
6. Make sure the WakefieldSoft PDACookbook item is checked

Once synchronization is enabled, the custom add-in will run each time the Blackberry is connected (if enabled). The add-in will check the PC database for any additions, deletions, or updates. If any changes are found, the add-in will transfer all data from the PC to the Blackberry device. If no changes are found, the add-in will quickly exit and not transfer data. This keeps your synchronization time to a minimum. A synclog.txt file is created in the data folder each time the add-in runs. This file contains synchronization progress and status information should it be needed.

Registration:

The software is initially installed as a trial version. After purchasing, a 5-digit registration code is provided. This 5-digit code, along with your device PIN, is entered on the PC software from the Help / Register menu. The registration code unlocks the full version features. No additional installation is required.

Getting Started:



The following screens and descriptions explain many of the features in PDACookbook™. The software was designed to be easy and intuitive, so it will be easy to get started. This documentation will help explain many of the features.

To start the software on the handheld, select the PDACookbook icon from the Blackberry device main icon screen.

Recipe List Screen:



Upon startup, the list of recipes is displayed. From this screen, the user may scroll through the recipe list and select any recipe to be viewed.

The Find function at the top of the screen will locate the recipe with a name starting with any text entered. For example, enter "bak" in the Find field, and then select the Find button. The first recipe starting with "bak" will be found and selected.



The menu allows other menu choices to be selected:

View Recipe – displays the highlighted recipe in the Recipe Viewer screen

Find... – returns to the Find field at the top of the screen at sets the focus for text entry

Shopping List... – displays the shopping list items

Menu Planner... – displays meals and dates for items added to the menu

About... – shows version information

Close – closes the program

Recipe Viewer Screen:

Recipe Viewer
Baked Cornish Hens

Categories: Poultry
Serves: 4

Ingredients:
4 Cornish game hens
1/2 c Butter
2 tb Lemon juice
1 ts Rosemary
2 Cloves garlic, pressed

After selecting to view a recipe from the main list screen, the selected recipe will be displayed.

Scroll the screen to see all of a recipe, including ingredients, instructions, and other information.

Shopping List:

PDACookbook - Shopping

- 1 x Apple
- 1 ts Baking Powder
- 1/2 ts Baking Soda
- 1/2 c Butter or margarine
- 1/3 c Chopped Walnuts
- 1 ca cream of chicken soup
- 2 x Eggs
- 2 c Flour
- 2 c mixed vegetables
- 1 onion
- 8 oz sour cream

To view the Shopping List, select the *Shopping List* menu item from the main recipe list screen. A screen listing all items that have been added to the Shopping List will be displayed.

Scroll down the list to view any shopping list item. Select *View Details* from the menu in the Shopping List screen to see any Aisle, Store, or Recipe (Note) information that may be saved for that shopping list item.

Shopping Item Viewer

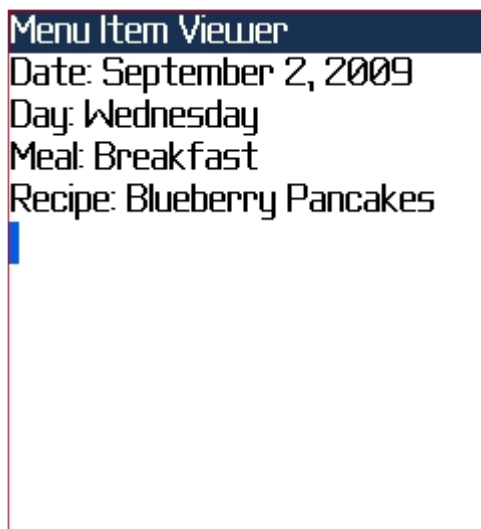
Item: Eggs
Qty: 2 x
Aisle: Produce
Store: Kroger
Note: Apple Cheese Bread

Menu Planner:



To view the Menu Planner, select the *Menu Planner* menu item from the main recipe list screen. A screen listing all items that have been added to the Menu Planner will be displayed.

Scroll down the list to view any menu item. Select *View Details* from the menu in the Menu Planner screen to see all details for any item, including Date, Day of Week, Meal, and Recipe.



About Screen:

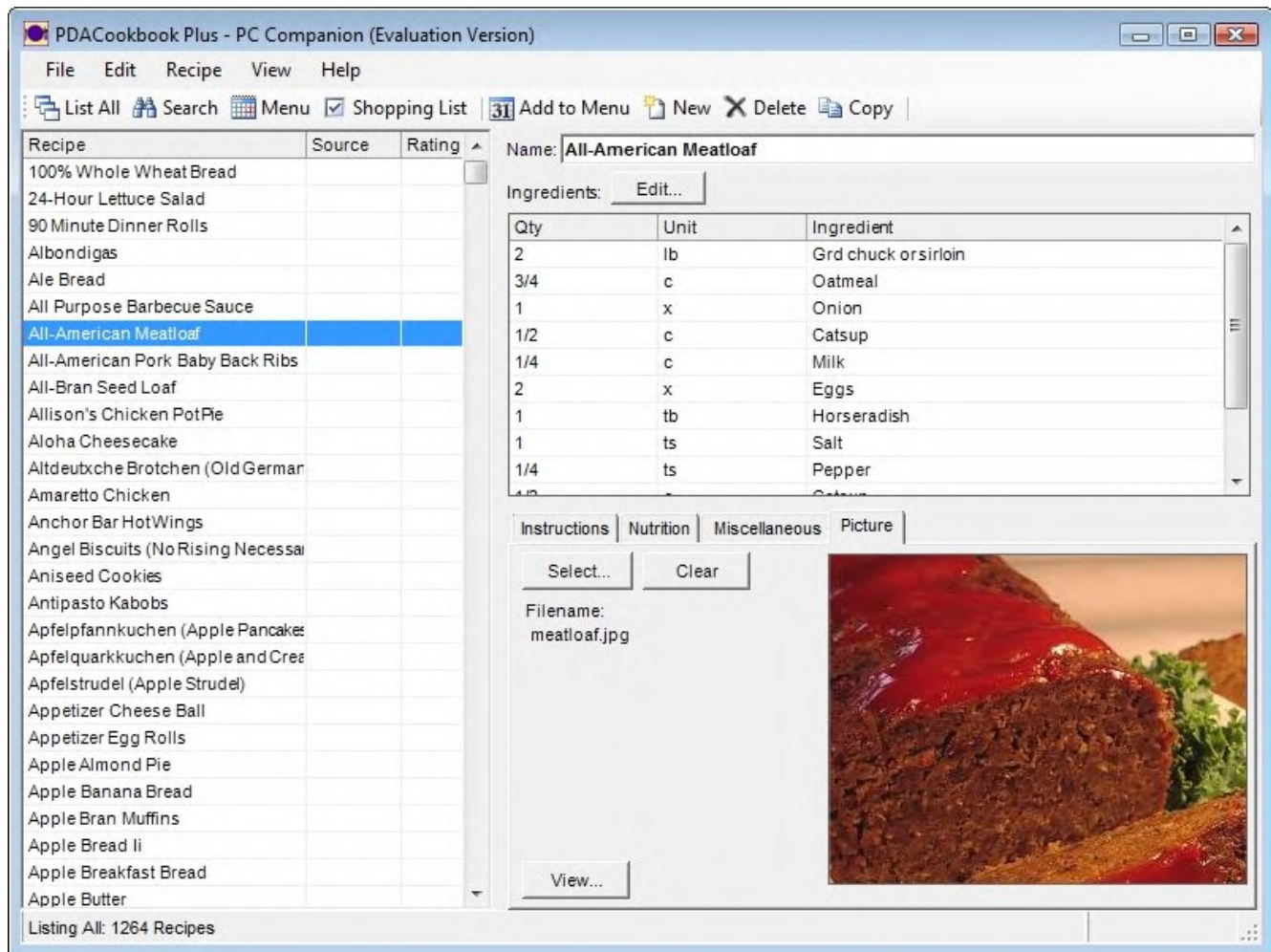


To view the program About screen, select the *About* menu item from the main recipe list screen. A screen listing program information will be displayed, including program name, version number, copyright information, and support or contact information.

This screen will also display the Device PIN which is needed when purchasing. Your registration (unlock) code is based on the Device PIN.

PDACookbook Desktop:

The PC software includes all of the features on the handheld software, plus other features specific to the desktop software. Features available only on the desktop software include printing selected recipes, printing all recipes, printing the menu planner, printing the shopping list, importing recipes from MealMaster or MasterCook, exporting recipes in those formats, attaching pictures to a recipe, and smart ingredient paste - for easy ingredient entry from any text recipe (internet, text file, etc.). Consult the help file on the PC desktop software for further information on the desktop features.



Conclusion:

If you are just evaluating or have already purchased PDACookbook™ – Thanks!

If you have questions about the software, or cannot find an answer to a problem at our site, please email our support staff. We will work hard to resolve your issue and answer your questions.

