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**Cakes and Cozy Mysteries: A Sweet Combination**

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**Austrian Desserts: Over 400 Cakes, Pastries, Strudels, Tortes and Candies by Toni Mörwald and Christoph Wagner –** Easy-to-understand instructions on how to make Old World dishes such as Linzertorte and Apfelstrudel as well as contemporary and diet-conscious recipes.

**Cook’s Illustrated Baking Book: Baking Demystified With 450 Foolproof Recipes from America’s Most Trusted Magazine (available at Edgewater Library) –** Includes recipes for bread and pizza in addition to desserts and other sweets, perfected through trial-and-error sessions in America’s Test Kitchen.

**Extraordinary Cakes: Recipes for Bold and Sophisticated Desserts by Karen Krasne (available at Edgewater Library) –** Dubbed the “Queen of Cakes” by *Gourmet* magazine, Krasne shows home bakers how to create showstoppers that are as delicious as they are beautiful.

**Piece of Cake: Home Baking Made Simple by David Lesniak (available at Edgewater Library) –** Recipes for 120 American classic cookies, cakes, muffins, and brownies.

**Sweet Enough by Alison Roman (available at Edgewater Library) –** Written for those who think they don’t have the time or skill to create a dessert.

***Enjoy a taste of these cozy mysteries*** *(a sub-genre of crime fiction but with a lighter tone)****:***

The Goldy Bear Culinary Mystery Series by Diane Mott Davidson includes***The Cereal Murders****;* ***Chopping Spree; Dark Tort; Killer Pancake; Sticks and Scones;*** and ***Sweet Revenge.*** Many are available in hard cover, paperback, audiobook and/or ebook format.

The Hannah Swenson series set in Minnesota by Joanne Fluke includes***Pink Lemonade Cake Murder*; *Christmas Cupcake Murder***; and ***Apple Turnover Murder***. All havefood and drink recipes sprinkled throughout and most are available at the Edgewater Library.

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