

ON-LINE RECIPE ORGANIZATION 101



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Love cooking but hate figuring out what to make? I can never resist a great cookbook or sharing a yummy looking recipe on Facebook or pinning it on Pinterest. We are so lucky to have so many on-line resources but I can't seem to remember where I saw the recipe when I want to figure out what to make.

Recently I solved the problem with a tool that I use for business called Evernote. Evernote allows you to organize all sort of things into notes and notebooks. It's a really powerful tool and so it can be overwhelming. If you've never used it before, don't worry. I'm going to walk you through a few quick ways to organize your on-line finds quickly and easily.

Start with this first. Then, if you want to try to do more, there's tons of videos on YouTube to help you expand what you do with Evernote.

And, if you already use Evernote, keep reading because you may find some useful tips below.

Getting Started on Your Laptop or Desktop

Step 1: Sign up for an Evernote Account (if you don't have one)

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Meet Evernote, your second brain.

Capture, organize, and share notes from anywhere. Your best ideas are always with you and always in sync.

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Sign up for free

2. Download

1. Sign Up

It's free. And you can sign up using your Google Account.

Step 2: Download the App for Your Desktop or Laptop

If you are on a desktop or laptop the site will download the correct software, whether you

are on a Mac or PC.

NOTE: With the free plan you can only sync across two devices. If you want to sync across more, the Plus Plan is only \$34.99/year. I recommend you try the free plan first to be sure you are going to use it.

Step 3: Download the Web Clipper

If a desktop or laptop will be one of your devices, download this Chrome plugin. This only works on Google Chrome. You will then see the plugin available in your browser right above your bookmarks.



Step 4: Create a Few Notebooks

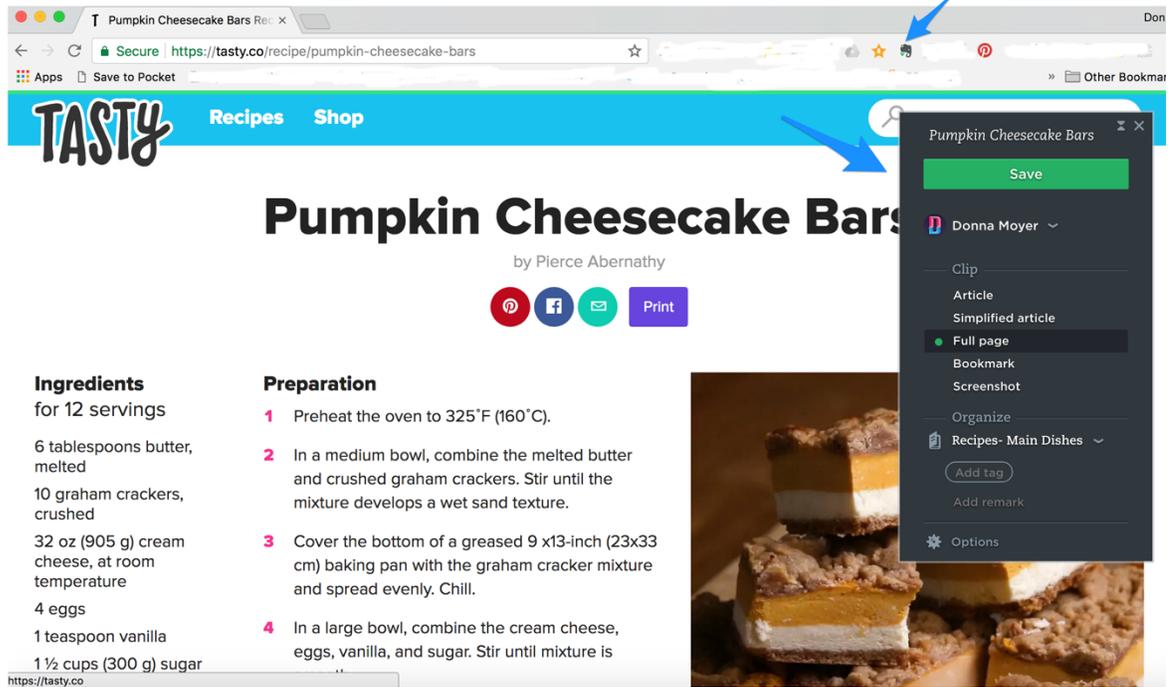
Login to the desktop app select File | New Notebook. You can see a few of mine here. Group the recipes in whatever way makes sense to you.

Recipes - Cocktails	2
Recipes - Desserts	3
Recipes - Healthy Beverages	0
Recipes - Salads and Dressings	5
Recipes- Main Dishes	10

You will need these notebooks to already be in Evernote in order to save the recipes

Step 5: Time to Save Your First Recipe

Go to the Chrome Browser and find a recipe like this one.



Click on the Evernote Elephant in your plugin bar and the Clip menu will pop up. Under Clip select Full Page and under Organize select one of your notebooks.

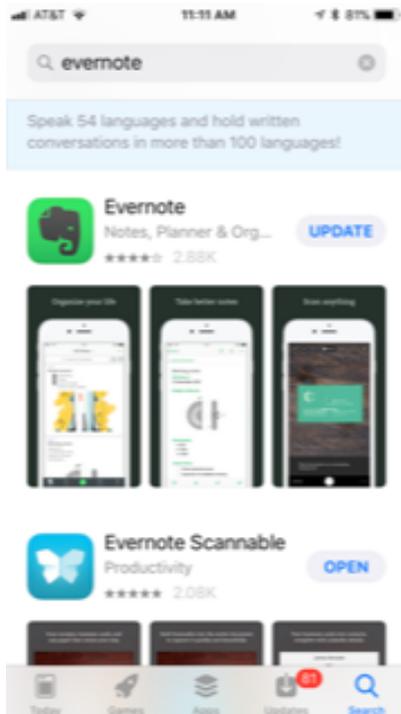
Congratulations!!!! You've saved your first recipe.

If you go back to your app and select the notebook you should see the recipe saved as a Note.

Now It's Time to Go Mobile

1. Go to the Google Play Store or App Store

Search for Evernote and add the app to your phone or tablet



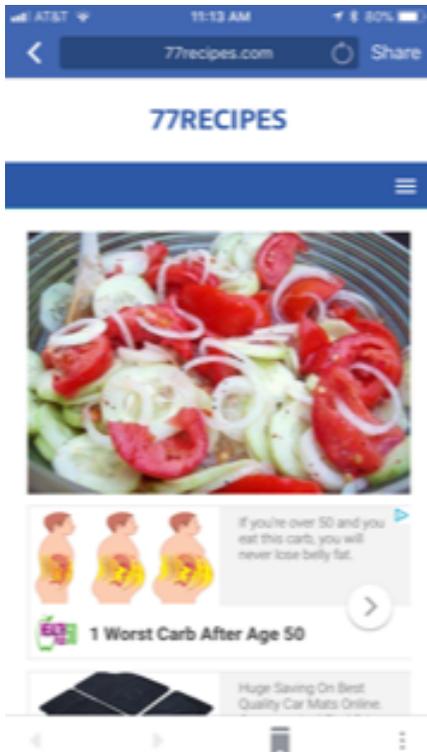
Log in and allow things to sync. You should now see your notebooks and recipes. (Keep in mind that you can only sync across 2 devices with the free plan.)

2. Adding a Recipe You Find on Facebook

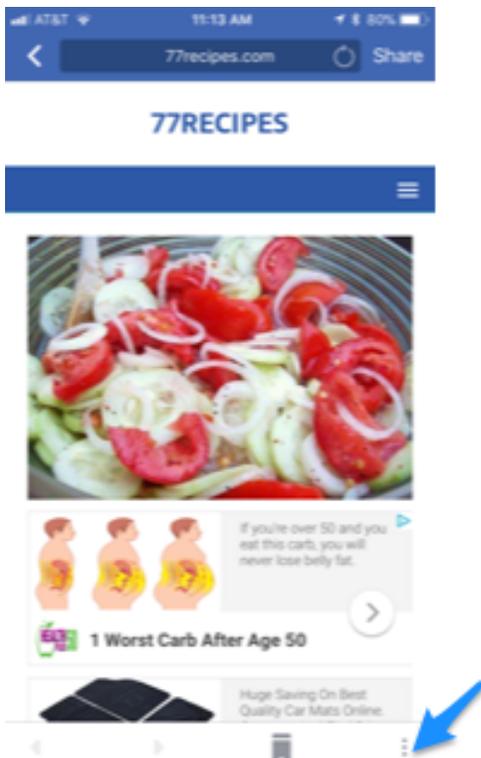
Find a recipe you like on Facebook.



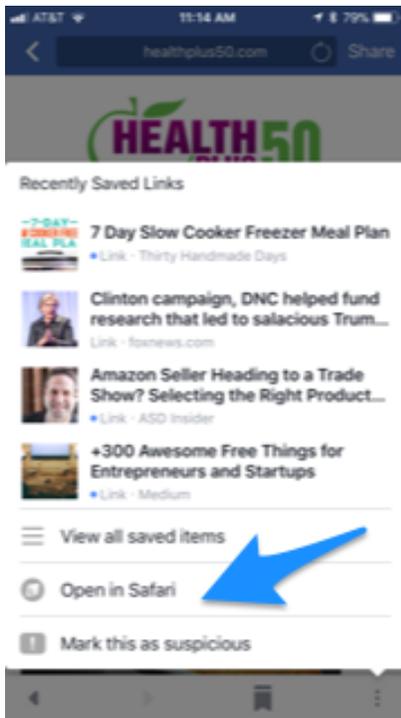
Click on the link to go to the webpage. You will end up on the site but notice you are still in the Facebook app. (By the way, doesn't this look yummy! Can't wait for tomatoes!!)



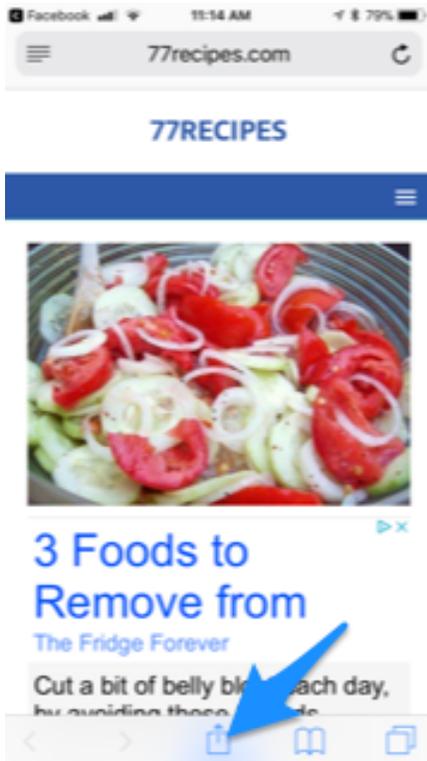
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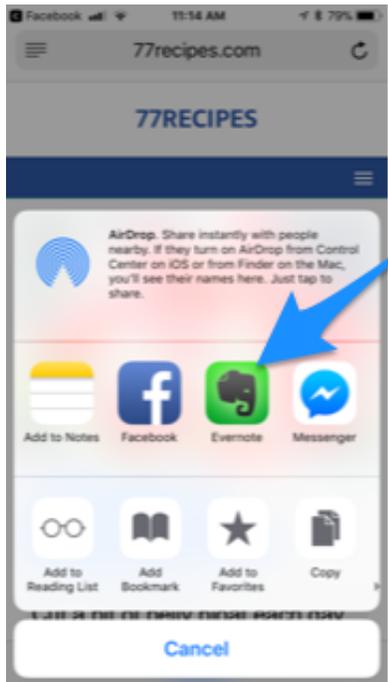
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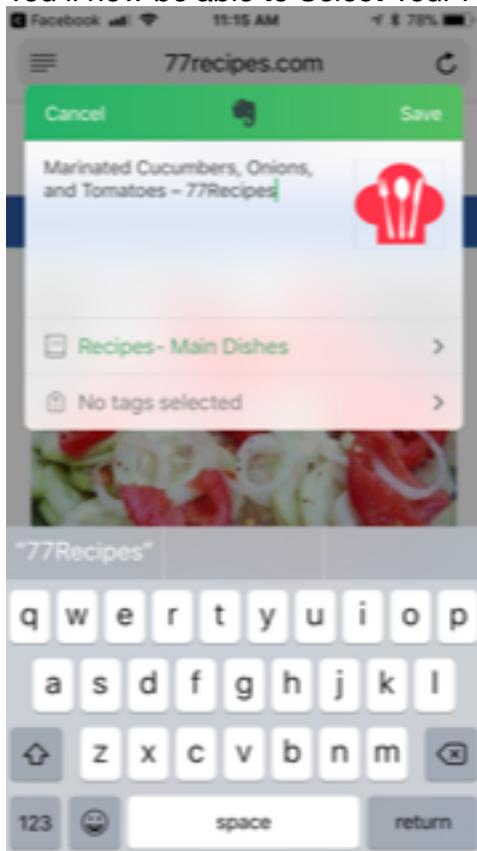
Now that you are in the browser, Select the Sharing Link



Select the Evernote App.



You'll now be able to Select Your Notebook! Yay You Did It!



Keep going and add all of your favorites. Now they will be in one place. No need to share to your Facebook page just to keep the recipe! And the cool thing about Evernote is that it is searchable. So as your collection grows you can find things just by using the search.

PINTEREST: If you are using Pinterest to search and save recipes just click on the link in the Pinterest pin. A browser window should open and you can just share to your Evernote.

I do this from my phone to save recipes that I come across while I'm waiting for appointments or watching TV. I then have Evernote on my tablet which I keep in the kitchen so that the recipes show up there. I can get a better look at the photos and text on the larger screen. I have the tablet in a recipe book holder so I can just bring up the recipe I need and start cooking.

No more searching and searching.

I hope this tip helps you to organize your recipes and makes meal prep more fun.