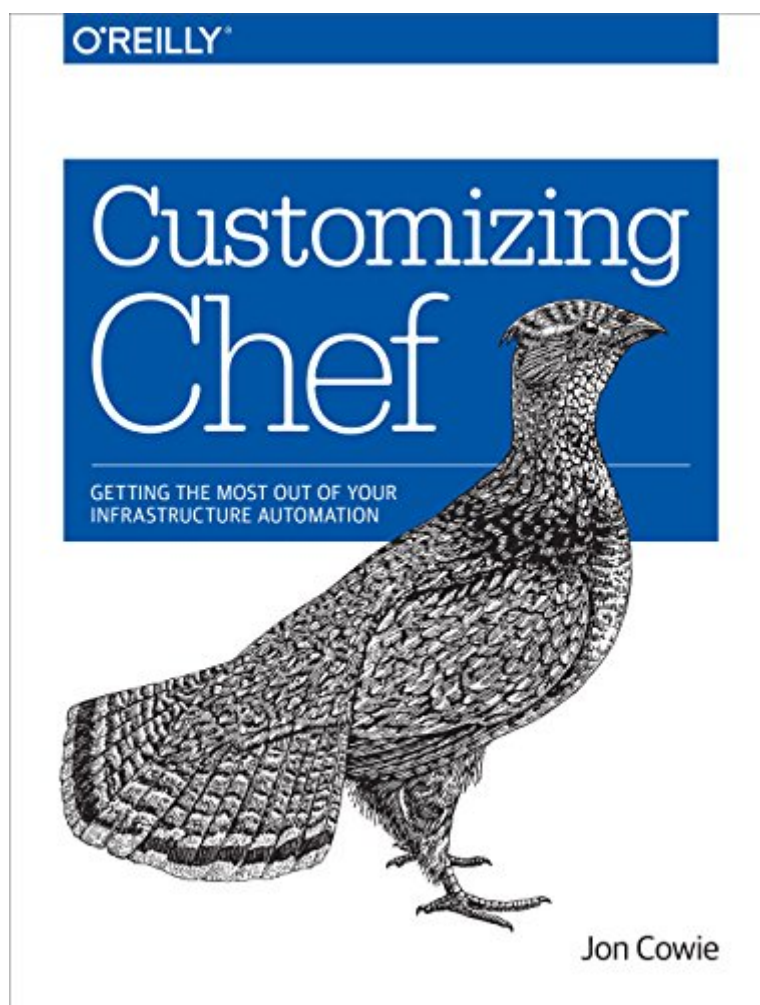


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Customizing Chef



Synopsis

Take advantage of Chef's highly customizable design to tackle specific automation issues that you can't solve by simply using Chef's tools, resources, and services out of the box. With this practical guide, you'll examine the internal structure of this configuration management technology and learn where, how, and why to add custom code. Author Jon Cowie not only provides code snippets and practical advice for customizing Chef, but also helps you determine case by case whether it's in your best interests to customize at all. If you have intermediate-to-advanced Chef experience, this book is indispensable. Explore Chef's typical setups and why you'd want to customize them. Learn the Ruby concepts needed to write customizations. Customize the Chef run process and explore Chef's internal classes. Gain more insight into your Chef runs through handlers and Chef's event stream. Level up your Chef recipes by writing your own resources and providers. Create and extend plugins for Knife's Chef's command-line tool. Interact with the Chef API to write scripts and reports. Learn how to contribute customizations to the Chef community.

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Customer Reviews

I'm no novice Chef cookbook developer but I'm not an expert either. I've been involved with developing a new configuration strategy for our product that has both Windows- and Linux-based nodes. I have been using Chef for about 8 months now, supporting existing cookbooks, and developing my own. We have an on-premise Chef 12 Enterprise server. The chapters dealing with the following topics "in-depth" made this book worth having since these are topics I wanted to expand my knowledge on.- Chef infrastructure- chef-client run walk through- knife plugin development- LWRP and HWRP development- Chef REST API I only gave it 4-stars though since I was wishing it had a topic knife bootstrap - anatomy of a bootstrap, modifying or extending bootstrap behavior beyond the custom template, etc. I would've given it a 4.9/5.0 if the rating mechanism allowed me.

Really good book. It is the next step up from an introduction book. As someone who has been doing chef for a while, I still learned from it. It talks about the inner workings of chef and how to customize it.

Wow! I got this book based on Seth Vargo's review. Its great! If your look for a book that goes beyond the basics this is the one. The author discusses concepts like HWRP, and LWRP's in depth. Its a great book to advance your chef skills.

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