



# Recipes, Wines, and More

## **Product Overview and Getting Started**

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## Product Overview

*Recipes, Wines, and More* is a powerful multi-purpose database developed for home cooks, professional chefs, wine enthusiasts, and caregivers. Built with Paradox 11 and ObjectPAL, this offline solution enables both individual and professional users to effortlessly organize, track, and manage recipes, wine collections, supplements, medications, and other types of information.

## Why Choose a Paradox 11 Desktop Database?

*Recipes, Wines, and More* is powered by Paradox 11, a proven relational database management system, and ObjectPAL, its powerful programming language. Here's why this traditional Windows-based approach stands out:

- **Reliable Performance:** Paradox 11's mature, stable codebase ensures consistent, reliable operation, perfect for managing extensive recipe collections, wine inventories, or health data.
- **Unmatched Customization:** ObjectPAL enables a tailored interface with custom forms, searches, and reports, letting you organize data exactly how you want.
- **Offline Security:** Work anywhere without internet connectivity. Keep your personal data (recipes, wine notes, or medications) private and secure on your local laptop or desktop PC.
- **Cost-Effective:** Unlike cloud-based apps with recurring fees, Paradox 11 offers a one-time investment for lifelong use, ideal for budget-conscious users.

This offline design lets you view recipes and other types of data on larger screens, enhancing readability and multitasking.

## Key Features

- **Recipe Management:** Store, categorize, and search recipes with ease, including ingredients, instructions, and recipe notes.
- **Wine Tracking:** Catalog your wine collection, log tasting notes, and discover perfect pairings for every dish.
- **Health Data Organization:** Record and manage supplements or medications for yourself, your family, or those in your care.
- **Customizable Interface:** Adapt the database to your needs with flexible customization powered by Paradox 11 and ObjectPAL.
- **Professional Exports:** Use WordPerfect Office Professional 2021 to export records as polished documents or PDFs, ideal for sharing via email or printing.
- **Offline Privacy and Reliability:** Access your data offline on larger screens without internet connectivity, ensuring private, uninterrupted use in any environment.

*Recipes, Wines, and More* requires WordPerfect Office Professional 2021, which includes Paradox 11 and its programming language, ObjectPAL, to power the database's runtime environment. WordPerfect's advanced formatting and PDF creation tools also enable effortless exporting of recipes, wine tech sheets, and more.

## System Requirements:

- **Operating System:** Microsoft Windows 10 or 11
- **Software:** WordPerfect Office Professional 2021
- **RAM:** 4GB or higher
- **Storage:** 500MB free disk space

## Getting Started

*Recipes, Wines, and More* is available by personal invitation only. To use the database, a license for WordPerfect Office Professional 2021 is required. If you've received a personal invitation, visit [www.WordPerfect.com](http://www.WordPerfect.com) to acquire a WordPerfect Office Professional license from Alludo (formally Corel Corporation).

## Not invited yet?

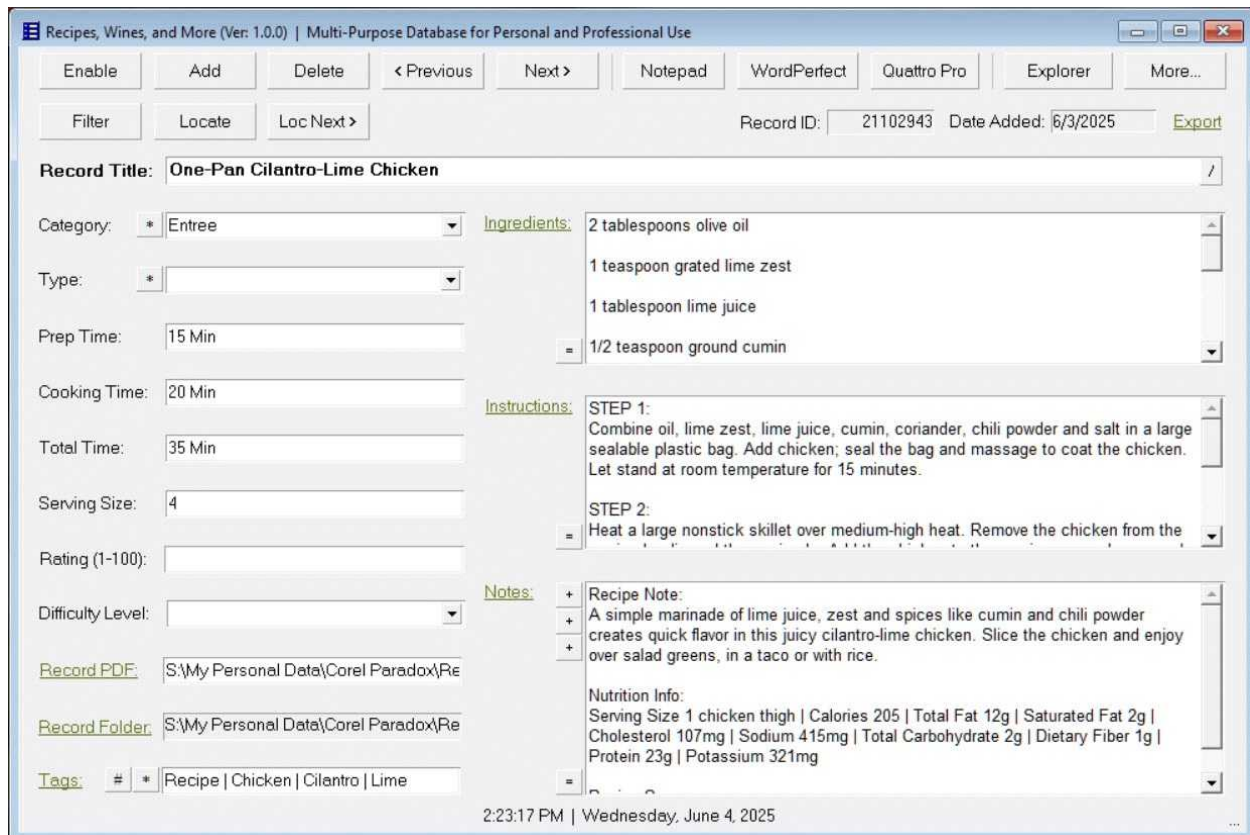
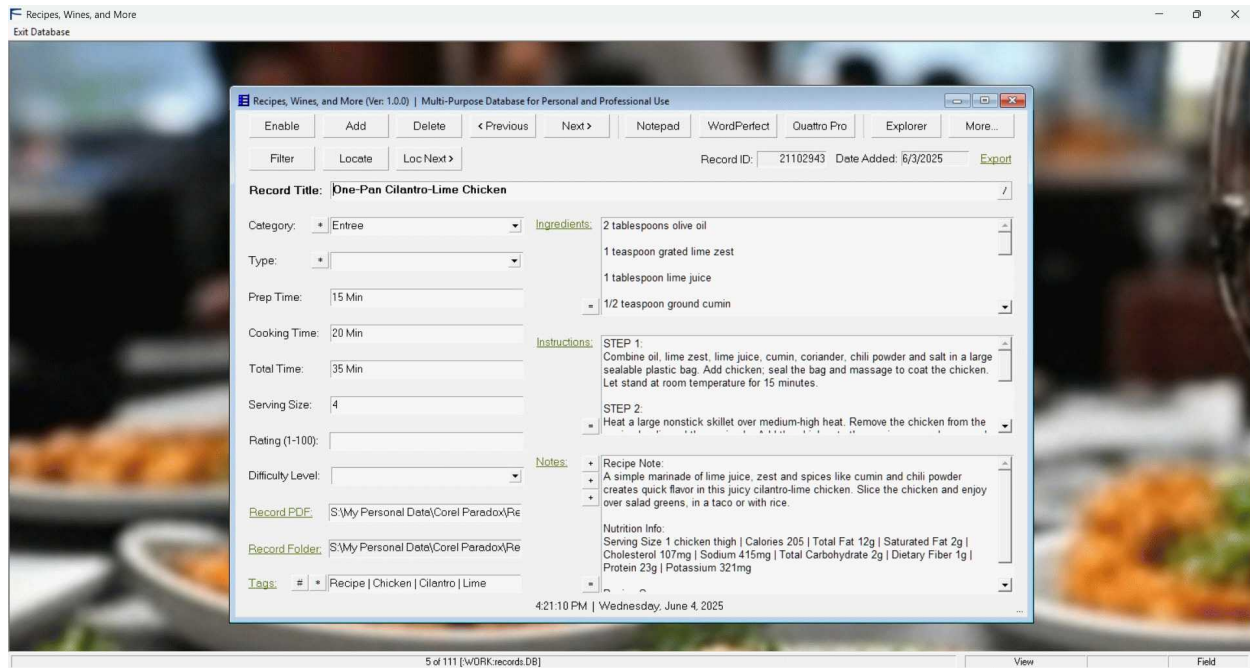
Don't miss out! Email the developer at [jim@jimfuhrmann.com](mailto:jim@jimfuhrmann.com). Indicate your interest in *Recipes, Wines, and More* and if it is for personal or professional use, and if you're in the hospitality industry, please provide the name of the establishment.

## Who Benefits from Recipes, Wines, and More?

Unlike cloud-based apps, *Recipes, Wines, and More* offers a secure, offline solution that puts you in control. Its Paradox 11 foundation ensures reliable performance and customization, making it ideal for:

- **Home Cooks:** Plan meals and organize recipes with ease, viewing details on larger screens for stress-free cooking.
- **Professional Chefs:** Streamline recipe development and share exported PDFs with clients or colleagues.
- **Wine Enthusiasts:** Catalog wine collections of any size and pair wines like a sommelier, all offline.
- **Caregivers:** Track supplements and medications securely for those in your care.
- **Culinary Students:** Organize recipes, ingredients, study notes, and techniques in a powerful, distraction-free tool.

## Database Screenshot Images



## Database Source Code

This custom-developed Paradox database is available in both a compiled version and an uncompiled version. The uncompiled version includes all source code, enabling those with programming experience to customize and enhance its robust features.

Below is a small portion of the ObjectPAL source code, illustrating the coding style used throughout the database.

```

1 method generateRandomNumber8()
2
3   var
4     randNum String
5     isValid Logical
6     cleanedRandNum String
7     tc TCursor
8   endVar
9
10  isValid = False
11  tc.open("records.db")
12
13  while not isValid
14    ; Generate a random number between 10,000,000 and 99,999,999
15    randNum = string(abs(SmallInt(rand() * 90000000 + 10000000)))
16    ; Generate a second set of numbers to ensure a minimum of 8 digits
17    randNum = randNum + string(abs(SmallInt(rand() * 90000000 + 10000000)))
18
19    ; Remove any commas and decimal points from the string
20    cleanedRandNum = ""
21    for i from 1 to randNum.size()
22      if subStr(randNum, i, 1) <> "," and subStr(randNum, i, 1) <> "." then
23        cleanedRandNum = cleanedRandNum + subStr(randNum, i, 1)
24      endif
25    endFor
26
27    ; Check if the cleaned number is 8 digits long
28    if cleanedRandNum.size() >= 8 then
29      cleanedRandNum = cleanedRandNum.subStr(1, 8) ; Truncate to exactly 8 digits
30      ; Check if this number already exists in the "Record ID" field
31      tc.edit()
32      if not tc.locate("Record ID", cleanedRandNum) then
33        isValid = True
34      endif
35    endif
36  endwhile
37
38  ; Place the cleaned random number in 'gstrRandomNumber8' global variable
39  gstrRandomNumber8 = cleanedRandNum
40
41  ; Close TCursor
42  tc.close()
43
44 endMethod

```



## Database Usage Tips

**TIP 1:** By default, this database does not open in edit mode. To edit records, press the 'Enable' button. After making changes, press 'Disable' to prevent accidental edits. This database lacks an undo feature, so it's best to disable editing once done.

**TIP 2:** This database includes a backup feature accessible via the 'More...' button. To safeguard your data, it's best to perform a database backup periodically, especially before making significant changes or updates.

**TIP 3:** The Tags field, which is crucial for locating records in this database, allows up to 255 characters. Use proper case for tags/keywords, separate them with a vertical bar ('|'). Refer to the 'Database Search Tips' feature in this database.

**TIP 4:** Double-click any field or expanded view screen to copy its entire content (field value) to the Microsoft Windows clipboard. Press CTRL+V to paste it into an email message, Notepad file, or WordPerfect document.

**TIP 5:** Press the forward slash ('/') button on the right side of the Record Title field to search the internet.

**TIP 6:** Select and highlight text in any text field, press CTRL+C to copy it to the Microsoft Windows clipboard, then press CTRL+S (or CTRL+G) to perform a Google search or CTRL+B to perform a Bing search on the copied text.

**TIP 7:** Select and highlight a URL (website address) entered in the Notes field, press CTRL+C to copy it to the Microsoft Windows clipboard, then press CTRL+W to open the copied URL in your default web browser.

## Database Search Tips

**TIP 1.1:** The 'Filter' feature is most effective when used with the 'Category' and 'Type' combo box dropdown fields. Filters are case-sensitive and can be applied using either full or partial word matching ('..' wildcard character can be used).

**TIP 1.2:** The default list items in the 'Category' and 'Type' combo box dropdown fields serve as recommendations to help make filtering records more accurate. Feel free to manually enter custom values into these fields.

**TIP 1.3:** If you want to also apply a filter to the Tags field, you can do so based on the first tag/keyword entered. For example, if the first tag/keyword is 'Recipe' (without quotes), you can apply the filter 'Recipe..' (the '..' wildcard is required).

**TIP 1.4:** The '+' button located to the left of the 'Tags' field allows you to add a special filter tag to the active record, enhancing the database's filtering capabilities.

**TIP 2:** After applying a filter to the 'Category' and 'Type' dropdown fields, you can narrow your search by using the 'Locate' feature on the Tags field or any multi-line text field to find a specific record within filtered (and unfiltered) records.

For best results in locating records, select 'Advanced pattern match' in the 'Locate Value' dialog box. Then, use the 'Loc Next' button to find the next record that meets your criteria.

**NOTE:** Filters applied in the 'Filter Tables' dialog box and search criteria in the 'Locate Value' dialog box automatically clear when you close this database. You can manually clear them by reopening the dialog boxes and clearing the fields.



## Conclusion

*Recipes, Wines, and More* is more than a database—it's a game-changer for anyone serious about food, wine, or wellness. Built with Paradox 11 and ObjectPAL, it delivers a seamless, offline experience within the WordPerfect Office Professional 2021 environment. Organize and access your data with precision, export detailed PDFs, and share them via your email software—all on larger screens for maximum convenience. If the kitchen is the heart of your home, *Recipes, Wines, and More* is the pulse powering your culinary and wellness journey, enabling you to transform your culinary and lifestyle organization with effortless simplicity. Contact [jim@jimfuhrmann.com](mailto:jim@jimfuhrmann.com) to learn more.■