



FROM OUR OVENS TO YOUR KITCHEN

Our Daily Bread

Chatham, NY

In the spring of 2013, Our Daily Bread hired a virtuoso baker from France to expand their selection of European-style breads. As part of his real-life application process, he spent a week working and living with the Cohen family in Chatham, NY.

Like the time-honored steps in making a perfect bread, the Cohen family of Our Daily Bread builds their bakery by simple tenets. They use basic ingredients, sourced locally whenever possible. They raise their breads by a natural fermentation process. They look to tradition for inspiration and they don't take any short cuts. Zvi Cohen and his two sons, Yonatan and Gabriel, grow their business through the steady beat of commitment.

"It's a process we see all the way through. We are involved from sourcing the ingredients to selling our breads to the customers. In that way, farmers markets are the core of our business. And we get to hear people's great feedback," Yonatan explains. Our Daily Bread first earned acclaim for their sourdoughs and baguettes, and now new recipes such as their seedy sandwich loaf, are gaining more fans.

In the 1990s, Zvi Cohen was a local high school teacher who had "always baked" when he got the opportunity to purchase a small, flailing bakery in Chatham. "We worked as hard as we could to



"When you own a bakery, you have the goodwill of a community. Nothing can make you happier than that."

- Zvi Cohen

succeed," Zvi reminisces. As his sons grew up, they became involved with the business and encouraged their father to try new ideas, such as baking with New York grains. "I sincerely agree with them now, but I didn't make it easy. They got an old guy like me to change," Zvi says. He continues, "It is a dream come true to have my two sons work with me."

In 2012, the Cohen sons' ideas led to a new building for Our Daily Bread, including a dedicated bakery for their gluten-free line. Zvi says the bakery is "incredibly beautiful and reflects how we feel about the community."



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