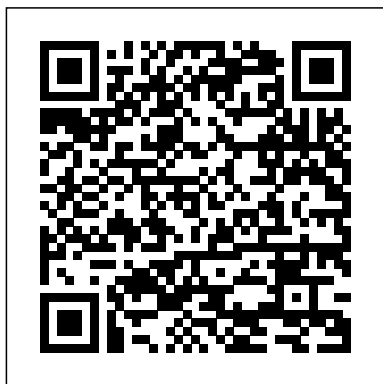


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# Illumination Night Alice Hoffman

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Green Witch Penguin

A suburban woman discovers her own wild spirit in this “suspenseful...dark, romantic meditation on what it means to be human”(The New Yorker) from the bestselling author of The Rules of Magic. Robin Moore, coping with a divorce and a troubled teen-

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aged son, impulsively rescues a strange man from a psychiatric ward—a beautiful, uncivilized innocent who has been raised in the wilderness and possesses no more sophistication than a child. But when she brings him home to her perfectly ordered neighborhood, the events that follow cause Robin to question her wisdom and doubt her own heart—and, ultimately, to change all of her ideas about love and humanity. “Her richest and wisest, as well as her boldest, novel to date.”—The New York Times

### Book Review

Green Heart Penguin

A haunting and emotionally satisfying novel from a much-loved and critically acclaimed author, which weaves fairy tale and gritty realism together to dazzlingly effect.

*Fortune's Daughter*

LSU Press

“A luminous, Marquez-

esque tale” (O, The Oprah Magazine) from the New York Times bestselling author of *The Museum of Extraordinary Things*: a forbidden love story set on a tropical island about the extraordinary woman who gave birth to painter Camille Pissarro—the Father of Impressionism. Growing up on idyllic St. Thomas in the early 1800s, Rachel dreams of life in faraway Paris.

Rachel’s mother, a pillar of their small refugee community of Jews who escaped the Inquisition, has never forgiven her daughter for being a difficult girl who refuses to live by the rules. Growing up, Rachel’s

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salvation is their of France. "A work of  
maid Adelle's belief art" (Dallas Morning  
in her strengths, and News), The Marriage  
her deep, life-long of Opposites  
friendship with showcases the  
Jestine, Adelle's beloved, bestselling  
daughter. But Alice Hoffman at the  
Rachel's life is not height of her  
her own. She is considerable powers.  
married off to a "Her lush, seductive  
widower with three prose, and heart-  
children to save her pounding subject...make  
father's business. this latest skinny-  
When her older dip in enchanted  
husband dies suddenly realism...the Platonic  
and his handsome, ideal of the beach  
much younger nephew, read" (Slate.com).  
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from France to settle history, the marriage  
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seizes her own life Frédéric "will only  
story, beginning a renew your commitment  
defiant, passionate to Hoffman's  
love affair that astonishing  
sparks a scandal that storytelling" (USA  
affects all of her TODAY).  
family, including her The River King  
favorite son, who Scholastic Inc.  
will become one of The "spellbinding"  
the greatest artists (People, 4 stars), New

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York Times bestseller from the author of *The Dovekeepers*: an extraordinary novel about an electric and impassioned love affair— “ an enchanting love story rich with history and a sense of place ” (USA TODAY). When Eddie Coralie Sardie is the daughter of the sinister impresario behind *The Museum of Extraordinary Things*, a Coney Island freak show that thrills the masses. An exceptional swimmer, Coralie appears as the Mermaid in her father ’ s “ museum, ” alongside performers like the Wolfman and the Butterfly Girl. One night Coralie stumbles upon a striking young man taking pictures of moonlit trees in the woods off the Hudson River. The dashing photographer is Eddie Cohen, a Russian immigrant who has run away from his community and his job as a tailor ’ s apprentice. When Eddie photographs the infamous Triangle Shirtwaist Factory fire, he becomes embroiled in the mystery behind a young woman ’ s disappearance. And he ignites the heart of Coralie. Alice Hoffman weaves her trademark magic, romance, and masterful storytelling to unite Coralie and Eddie in a tender and moving story of young love in tumultuous times. *The Museum of Extraordinary Things*

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is, “ a lavish tale about strange yet sympathetic people ” (The New York Times Book Review).

Survival Lessons Simon and Schuster

\*25th Anniversary

Edition\*—with an

Introduction by the Author!

The Owens sisters confront the challenges of life and love in this bewitching novel from the New York Times bestselling author of *The Rules of Magic*, *Magic Lessons*, and *The Book of Magic*. For more than two hundred years, the Owens women have been blamed for everything that has gone wrong in their Massachusetts town. Gillian and Sally have endured that fate as well: as children, the sisters were forever outsiders, taunted, talked about, pointed at. Their elderly aunts almost seemed to encourage the whispers of witchery, with their musty

house and their exotic concoctions and their crowd of black cats. But all Gillian and Sally wanted was to escape. One will do so by marrying, the other by running away. But the bonds they share will bring them back—almost as if by magic... “ Splendid...Practical Magic is one of [Hoffman's] best novels, showing on every page her gift for touching ordinary life as if with a wand, to reveal how extraordinary life really is. ” —Newsweek “ [A] delicious fantasy of witchcraft and love in a world where gardens smell of lemon verbena and happy endings are possible. ” —Cosmopolitan  
Seventh Heaven Ballantine Books

An instant New York Times bestseller and Reese Witherspoon Book Club pick from beloved author Alice Hoffman—the spellbinding prequel to *Practical Magic*. Find your magic. For the Owens family, love is a curse

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that began in 1620, when Maria Owens was charged with witchery for loving the wrong man. Hundreds of years later, in New York City at the cusp of the sixties, when the whole world is about to change, Susanna Owens knows that her three children are dangerously unique. Difficult Franny, with skin as pale as milk and blood red hair, shy and beautiful Jet, who can read other people ' s thoughts, and charismatic Vincent, who began looking for trouble on the day he could walk. From the start Susanna sets down rules for her children: No walking in the moonlight, no red shoes, no wearing black, no cats, no crows, no candles, no books about magic. And most importantly, never, ever, fall in love. But when her children visit their Aunt Isabelle, in the small Massachusetts town where the Owens family has been blamed for everything that has ever gone wrong, they uncover family secrets and begin to understand the truth of who they are. Yet, the children cannot escape love even if they try, just as they cannot escape the pains of the human heart. The two beautiful sisters will grow up to be the memorable aunts in Practical Magic, while Vincent, their beloved brother, will leave an unexpected legacy. Alice Hoffman delivers “ fairy-tale promise with real-life struggle ” (The New York Times Book Review) in a story how the only remedy for being human is to be true to yourself. Thrilling and exquisite, real and fantastical, The Rules of Magic is “ irresistible...the kind of book you race through, then pause at the last forty pages, savoring your final moments with the characters ” (USA TODAY, 4/4 stars). The Ice Queen Scholastic Inc. Alice Hoffman ' s most magical novel to

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date—three generations of extraordinary women are driven to unite in crisis and discover the rewards of reconciliation and love. Women of the Sparrow family have unusual gifts. Elinor can detect falsehood. Her daughter, Jenny, can see people's dreams when they sleep. Granddaughter Stella has a mental window on the future—a future that she might not want to see. In *The Probable Future* this vivid and intriguing cast of characters confronts a haunting past—and a very current murder—against the evocative backdrop of small-town New England. By turns chilling and enchanting, *The Probable Future* chronicles the Sparrows' legacy as young Stella struggles to cope with her disturbing clairvoyance. Her potential to ruin or redeem becomes unbearable when one of her premonitions puts her father in jail, wrongly accused of homicide. Yet this ordeal also leads Stella to the grandmother she was forbidden to meet and to a historic family home full of talismans from her ancestors. Poignant, arresting, unsettling, *The Probable Future* showcases the lavish literary gifts that have made Alice Hoffman one of America's most treasured writers. Praise for *The Probable Future* “A thrilling adventure of literary alchemy . . . A magical, mystical tour de force of pure entertainment.” —*The Seattle Times* “Delicious . . . Hoffman is an unapologetic optimist, and optimism is in short supply these days. It feels like a vacation to curl up with [*The Probable Future*].” —*The New York*

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## Times Book Review

“ Instantly alluring . . . A mysterious, modern-day fairy tale . . . Hoffman is an amazingly talented writer with a beautiful sense of sentence construction, an intriguing imagination, and the ability to create compelling, complex characters that readers care about. ” —Fort Worth Star-Telegram “ Hoffman ’ s ethereal tale of a family of women with supernatural gifts is a magical escape, grounded in the complex relationships between mothers and daughters. ” —Marie Claire  
Skylight Confessions  
Vintage

Having suffered abuse and misfortune for much of her life, a young child searches for a better life and finally gets a break in the home of a loving woman with several

foster children.

The Drowning Season Penguin Group

An “ intimate, lovely novel, most of whose concerns swirl about the pain and joys of motherhood, ” from the New York Times – bestselling author of *The Rules of Magic* (People). Rae Perry has been in love with Jessup since high school. Two weeks before her eighteenth birthday, they ran away from Boston together and have been moving ever since—five states in seven years. Now they are in Southern California in what they call “ earthquake weather, ” a time when anything can happen, and Jessup is restless again. This time, Rae fears, he plans to leave without her. Lila Grey is a fortune-teller. More than a quarter century ago, on a cold and icy night in New York City, she gave birth to a daughter she never saw again. Lila is determined to find her lost child, even if it means an end to her happy life with Richard, the loving husband she refuses to let into her past. It is Lila who tells



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Rae she is pregnant—but the other symbol she reads in Rae's tea leaves, she refuses to reveal. From that moment forward, their fates are inextricably linked. While Rae searches for the strength to navigate an uncertain future alone, Lila sets out to resolve her history once and for all. This luminous novel, a New York Times Notable Book, is an enthralling tribute to the profound mysteries of motherhood and childbirth from a writer who, in the words of Amy Tan, "takes seemingly ordinary lives and lets us see and feel extraordinary things."

Turtle Moon Chivers North Amer

When her mother dies and her father remarries, Martha is so unhappy living in the dried-up town of Oak Grove, that she convinces two unusual brothers who long to return to the ocean to run away with her.

Blue Diary Scholastic  
Paperbacks

A New York Times bestseller about a 1950s suburb transformed by the arrival of a

divorced mother: "part American Graffiti, part early Updike" (The New York Times). On Hemlock Street, the houses are identical, the lawns tidy, and the families traditional. A perfect slice of suburbia, this Long Island community shows no signs of change as the 1950s draw to a close—until the fateful August morning when Nora Silk arrives. Recently divorced, Nora mows the lawn in slingback pumps and climbs her roof in the middle of the night to clean the gutters. She works three jobs, and when her casseroles don't turn out, she feeds her two boys—eight-year-old Billy and his baby brother, James—Frosted Flakes for supper. She wears black stretch pants instead of Bermuda shorts, owns twenty-three shades of nail polish, and sings along to Elvis like a schoolgirl. Though Nora is eager to fit in on Hemlock Street, her effect on the neighbors is anything

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but normal. The wives distrust her, the husbands desire her, and the children think she ' s a witch. But through Nora ' s eyes, the neighborhood appears far from perfect. Behind every neatly trimmed hedge and freshly painted shutter is a family struggling to solve its own unique mysteries. Inspired by Nora, the residents of Hemlock Street finally unlock the secrets that will transform their lives forever. A tale of extraordinary discoveries, Seventh Heaven is an ode to a single mother ' s heroic journey and a celebration of the courage it takes to change.

#### The Rules of Magic Open Road Media

Fire sweeps along the wall of a circus tent while inside thousands of people enjoy a Ringling Brothers and Barnum and Bailey matinee. Within minutes, flames consume the canvas and vast sections collapse, killing 168 people and injuring hundreds more. Inspired by the 1944

Hartford Circus Fire, the interconnected stories in Michael Downs's *The Greatest Show* explore the aftermath of a disaster in a world of clowns, elephants, and childhood fantasies. In the opening story, Ania Liszak, a young Polish housemaid, steals circus tickets from her employer to take her three-year-old son, Teddy, to the matinee. The fire nearly kills both and leaves them scarred in different ways: Teddy's mother enjoys the beautiful strangeness of the scar on her face, but the patches across Teddy's body inspire cruel schoolmates to call him "Lizard Liszak." Over time, his mother transforms her pain into drama, while Teddy, having no memory of that day, seeks ways to return to it. These and other captivating characters appear throughout the book, creating a portrait of an American city and its people over five decades, raising questions about wounds and healing, memory and forgetting, and about the human capacity for kindness -- with all its futility and power -- in the midst of great loss.

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Second Nature Simon and Schuster

An eleven-year-old girl in a gentrified New England town has AIDS--and she still wants to be in school. This is her story, as well as the story of her parents, whose dignity is as great as their anguish, and of the town, whose sense of community had never been challenged and where nothing like AIDS was supposed to happen. By the author of *Illumination Night*.

Water Tales Open Road Media

Elizabeth is an elderly widow suffering from spells of fantasy and failing sight. Andre and Vonny are a young couple trying to make ends meet. Jody is a teenage runaway. On the island of Chilmark near Martha's Vineyard, they all come together. A "New York Times" Notable Book. Copyright © Libri GmbH.

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When a puppy is left on their doorstep, Michael and Hazel are excited by its unexpected arrival and look forward to raising their new pet, but when strange things happen on the eve of the first full moon, the siblings begin to wonder if their cute canine is something more than he appears to be.

Moondog Alice Hoffman

From the bestselling author of *The Rules of Magic*, a miraculous, enthralling tale of a woman who is struck by lightning, and finds her frozen heart is suddenly burning. Be careful what you wish for. A woman who was touched by tragedy as a child now lives a quiet life, keeping other people at a cool distance. She even believes she wants it that way. Then one day she utters an idle wish and, while standing in her house,

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is struck by lightning. But instead of ending her life, this cataclysmic event sparks a strange and powerful new beginning. She goes in search of Lazarus Jones, a fellow survivor who was struck dead, then simply got up and walked away.

Perhaps this stranger who has seen death face to face can teach her to live without fear. When she finds him, he is her perfect opposite, a burning man whose breath can boil water and whose touch scorches. As an obsessive love affair begins between them, both hide their most dangerous secrets -- what happened in the past that turned one to ice and the other to fire. A magical story of passion, loss, and renewal, *The Ice Queen* is Alice Hoffman at her electrifying best.

Blackbird House Open Road

## Media

Master storyteller Alice Hoffman brings us the conclusion of the Practical Magic series in a spellbinding and enchanting final Owens novel brimming with lyric beauty and vivid characters. The Owens family has been cursed in matters of love for over three-hundred years but all of that is about to change. The novel begins in a library, the best place for a story to be conjured, when beloved aunt Jet Owens hears the deathwatch beetle and knows she has only seven days to live. Jet is not the only one in danger—the curse is already at work. A frantic attempt to save a young man's life spurs three generations of the Owens women, and one long-lost brother, to use their unusual gifts to break the curse as they travel from Paris to London to the English countryside where their ancestor Maria Owens first practiced the Unnamed Art. The younger generation discovers secrets that have been hidden from them in matters of both magic and love by Sally, their fiercely protective mother. As Kylie Owens uncovers the truth

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about who she is and what her own dark powers are, her aunt Franny comes to understand that she is ready to sacrifice everything for her family, and Sally Owens realizes that she is willing to give up everything for love. The Book of Magic is a breathtaking conclusion that celebrates mothers and daughters, sisters and brothers, and anyone who has ever been in love.

Green Angel Thorndike Press

An ambitious and

mesmerizing novel from the bestselling author of Rules of Magic. The Dovekeepers is

“striking....Hoffman grounds her expansive, intricately woven, and deepest new novel in biblical history, with a devotion and seriousness of purpose” (Entertainment Weekly). Nearly two thousand years ago, nine hundred Jews held out for months against armies of Romans on Masada, a mountain in the Judean desert. According to the ancient historian Josephus, two women and five children

survived. Based on this tragic and iconic event, Hoffman ’ s novel is a spellbinding tale of four extraordinarily bold, resourceful, and sensuous women, each of whom has come to Masada by a different path. Yael ’ s mother died in childbirth, and her father, an expert assassin, never forgave her for that death. Revka, a village baker ’ s wife, watched the murder of her daughter by Roman soldiers; she brings to Masada her young grandsons, rendered mute by what they have witnessed. Aziza is a warrior ’ s daughter, raised as a boy, a fearless rider and expert marksman who finds passion with a fellow soldier. Shirah, born in Alexandria, is wise in the ways of ancient magic and medicine, a woman with uncanny insight and power. The lives of these four complex and fiercely independent women intersect in the desperate days of the siege. All are dovekeepers, and

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all are also keeping secrets—about who they are, where they come from, who fathered them, and whom they love.

Second Nature Little,  
Brown

Fifteen-year-old Green's family has died in a disaster and she retreats into her garden.

The Museum of Extraordinary Things Algonquin Books

Alice Hoffman is at her electrifying best in this fairy tale for grown-ups. The story begins with a little girl who makes a wish one snowy night and ruins her life. She grows up with a splinter of ice in her heart until one day, standing by her kitchen window, she is struck by lightning. Instead of killing her, this cataclysmic event sparks off a new beginning. She seeks out Lazarus Jones, a fellow lightning survivor. He is her opposite, a burning man whose breath can boil water and whose touch scorches. As an obsessive love affair begins between them, both

are forced to hide their most dangerous secrets - what turned one to ice and the other to fire. The Ice Queen is a haunting story of passion, loss, second chances and the secrets that come to define us, if we're not careful.