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Secrets of Our House Dorrance Publishing

Annie Darling, owner of the Death on Demand bookstore, is shocked to hear talk about her husband, Max, and a beautiful blonde. By the time she's faced down a hostile police chief and bailed Max out of the Chastain, South Carolina, jail, the lady has vanished and Max is the prime suspect in an unspecified crime. The baffling, bloodstained trail leads straight to the doorstep of Tarrant House, home of the venerable Southern family with a violent history dating back to the Revolution—and ghosts of a far more recent vintage. Annie and Max find that the dignified façade of Tarrant House hides a hotbed of deadly passions as the family turns on itself in a mayhem of murderous motives and angry accusations. But in the end Annie must summon all her sleuthing skills to stop a desperate killer who is ready to strike again to keep the secrets that haunt the Tarrants from the light of day. . . . Praise for Southern Ghost "Tantalizing . . . keep[s] the reader guessing all the way."—The Denver Post "Pleasing . . . chillingly effective...remarkably satisfying."—Publishers Weekly "[Annie and Max] make one of the most attractive pairs of sleuths since Dashiell Hammett's Nick and Nora Charles."—Chicago Sun-Times

Southern Ghost St. Martin's Press

The bestselling author of *American Housewife* and *Southern Lady Code* returns with a viciously funny, deeply felt collection of essays on friendship among grown-ass women. When Helen Ellis and her lifelong friends arrive for a reunion on the Redneck Riviera, they unpack more than their suitcases: stories of husbands and kids; lost parents and lost jobs; powdered onion dip and photographs you have to hold by the edges; dirty jokes and sunscreen with SPF higher than they hair-sprayed their bangs senior year; and a bad mammogram. It's a diagnosis that scares them, but could never break their bond. Because women pushing fifty won't be pushed around. In these twelve gloriously comic and moving essays, Helen Ellis dishes on married middle-age sex, sobs with a theater full of women as a psychic exorcises their sorrows, gets twenty shots of stomach bile to the neck to get rid of her double chin, and gathers up the courage to ask, "Are you there, Menopause? It's Me, Helen." A book that reads like the best cocktail party of your life, *Bring Your Baggage and Don't Pack Light* is chockablock with fabulous characters: cat-lady plastic surgeons and waterpark Adonises; bridge ladies and poker players; platinum medallion fliers and Garage Sale Swindlers; forty-year-old divorcees; fifty-year-old new moms and still-young octogenarians. Alive with the sensational humor and ferocious love for her friends that won Helen Ellis legions of fans, this book has a raw vulnerability and an emotional generosity that takes this acclaimed author to a whole new level of accomplishment.

Southern Sirens Sourcebooks, Inc.

Starting a new life in Wells Landing, a small Amish community in Oklahoma, single mother Caroline Hostetler must learn the true meaning of sacrifice and forgiveness when the arrival of an Englisher threatens to expose the secrets she has worked so hard to hide. Original.

Southern Cooking for Company St Martins Press

Grace, Lilah, Celia, Kristin and Bridget all met in Spartanburg while their children attended the same preschool. Every year without fail, the ladies have an all girls beach getaway. This year Kristin has chosen the avant garde Atlantis beach house for their accommodation. The ladies begin drinking margaritas and divulging some of their biggest secrets to one another. In her luggage, Grace finds her husband's pants wrapped up in her sarong. (It was a role playing thing.) In them, she finds a note from Dixie Lynn Lee, soliciting her husband, Preston, into an adulterous affair. This incident catapults the five friends into a series of comical law-breaking behaviors that culminate in the kidnapping of the local homewrecker Dixie Lynn Lee in order to teach her a lesson.

Stranger in the Lake Simon and Schuster

Southern Cooking for Company is the perfect playbook for memorable and unique Southern entertaining. Nicki Pendleton Wood has gathered recipes from more than 100 Southerners that they prepare when company is coming. These are the show-off recipes hosts pull out when guests are on the way, whether for an intimate evening with another couple, a party for 100 people celebrating a milestone birthday, or anything in between. In addition to the recipes, contributors share their secrets for making guests feel at home. Highlights include: Crunchy Fried Field Peas Collards with Citrus and Cranberries Lemon Miso Sweet Potatoes Purple Hull Pea Salad with Bacon Vinaigrette Cuban-Southern Pork Roast with Chimichurri "Barbecue" Sauce Chocolate Whiskey Buttermilk Cake with Praline Topping

Buried Bones St. Martin's Press

Explains how to take advantage of one's natural female instincts to achieve success on any occasion, with advice on how to master the art of social, courtship, and romantic flirting, and be both a good storyteller and listener.

Secrets of the Zona Rosa Penguin

Welcome to the Old South where hospitality is king and charm is queen. Can lasting love be found here amidst chaotic life challenges?

Stop Dressing Your Six-Year-Old Like a Skank Crimeline

"Spellbinding. Another outstanding novel by Kimberly Belle, masterfully written to lure you in and never let go." —Samantha Downing, USA Today bestselling author of *My Lovely Wife* When Charlotte married the wealthy widower Paul, it caused a ripple of gossip in their small lakeside town. They have a charmed life together, despite the cruel whispers about her humble past and his first marriage. But everything starts to unravel when she discovers a young woman's body floating in the exact same spot where Paul's first wife tragically drowned. At first, it seems like a horrific coincidence, but the stranger in the lake is no stranger. Charlotte saw Paul talking to her the day before, even though Paul tells the police he's never met the woman. His lie exposes cracks in their fragile new marriage, cracks Charlotte is determined to keep from breaking them in two. As Charlotte uncovers dark mysteries about the man she married, she doesn't know what to trust—her heart, which knows Paul to be a good man, or her growing suspicion that there's something he's hiding in the water. Don't miss Kimberly Belle's newest novel, *My Darling Husband!* Look for these other pulse-pounding thrillers by Kimberly Belle: *Three Days Missing* *The Marriage Lie* *Dear Wife*

Work Hard. Be Nice. Citadel Press

If you've ever wondered why... Catching a good man is like nailing Jello to a tree Flirting with a man is like riding a bull — just because you stayed on for 8 seconds doesn't mean you've won first prize Making small talk on a first date is harder than eating watermelon in a sundress ...then you've come to the right place! Ladies, welcome to Miss Becky's Charm School! I'm Miss Becky, and in this book, I'll reveal some of my best tips and tricks for landing the perfect man, southern-girl style. Now, I know y'all are busy, and I'm not here to blow smoke up your pretty little skirts, or to otherwise waste your precious time. But when it comes to the art of charming a man, no one does it better than the gals from Dixie. And whether you're a Yankee dame or a California babe, you can learn the secrets Southern Belles have been using for years to find the right man and put him just where you want him. Inside, we'll cover the basics every woman should know: • Are you a Scarlett or a Melanie? — Take my quiz to figure out your Southern Belle alter ego. • Separating the Possums

from the Bunnies — Time-tested tricks for telling the Rednecks from the Southern Gentlemen. • I Like My Women a Little on the Trashy Side — Dress to impress for every occasion. • Why Buy the Cow? — Sex and the Southern Belle. • Smooth as Butter — A Southern etiquette primer. • The Deviled Egg Plate — The way to a man's heart really is through his stomach — tasty treats to win him over. So pull up a chair, fix yourself a mint julep (or any strong drink you like), and get ready to learn the secret weapons and Southern Belle sensibilities that will help you snag the man of your dreams!

Swirl Secrets Simon and Schuster

"This book grabs you by the collar and drags you in to bear witness. A riveting read to the end." - A. Waters "Beautifully descriptive story-telling, it will captivate you from the first to the last page." -P. McDonald "The bonds between these women were so touching." -Amazon Customer The Parker women of Riverton, North Carolina are known for three things:

southern graces, storytelling, and sassy mouths. The second to some, would be considered outright lying, the last a surprise to those who view them as ladies with a gentle upbringing. But the Parker legacy has never been what it seems and keeping up appearances in their small town has trumped the truth every time. Just as Charlotte is about to break the news of her plan to strike out on her own, her daughter, Janie, returns from college to announce she's pregnant. Her nosey sister, Purdy, becomes desperate to take control and devises a sinister plan to rid the Parker's of yet another family secret. But Janie's upbringing has instilled a deeper faith in her than anyone realizes. Compelling and unexpected, *Wide Planked Porches* is a moving novel that will make you rethink family duty, faith, and fortitude. For fans of Kathryn Stockett (*The Help*) and Sue Monk Kidd (*The Secret Life of Bees*), a must-read for lovers of the South, and eavesdroppers who love to listen in on someone else's family drama. Don't waste another night clicking through Netflix, BUY NOW!

The Blue Coat Saga (Books 1-3) Algonquin Books

Celia Rivenbark's essays about life in today's South are like caramel popcorn—sweet, salty, and utterly irresistible Celia Rivenbark is a master at summing up the South in all its glorious excesses and contradictions. In this collection of screamingly funny essays, you'll discover: * How to get your kid into a character breakfast at Disneyworld (or run the risk of eating chicken out of a bucket with Sneezzy) * Secrets of Celebrity Moms (don't hate them because they're beautiful when there are so many other reasons to hate them) * eBay addiction and why "It ain't worth having if it ain't on eBay" (Whoa! Is that Willie Nelson's face in your grits?) * Why today's children's clothes make six-year-olds look like Vegas showgirls with an abundance of anger issues * And so much more! Rivenbark is an intrepid explorer and acid commentator on the land south of the Mason-Dixon line.

Digging Up the Dirt Harper Collins

A teenage orphan is caught up in President Lincoln's assassination—and another macabre plot—in this "fast-paced and dramatic" historical novel (Publishers Weekly). Emily's mother always told her that she should avoid Uncle Valentine, a doctor, that he was involved in things she shouldn't know about. But after Emily is orphaned—as Washington, DC, is in chaos due to the end of the Civil War—she has nowhere else to go. Now, in addition to coping with the loss of her mother, the fourteen-year-old finds herself involved in two mysteries. First, she wonders about her best friend, Annie Surratt, and the Surratt family. Annie has a signed picture of the handsome actor John Wilkes Booth in her room—but there seems to be more of a connection between Booth and the Surratt family than Emily thought...possibly including the plot to kill Lincoln. At the same time, Uncle Valentine's odd behavior leads Emily to suspect that he is involved with body-snatching. As dark secrets swirl around her, Emily must figure out who she can trust, in this suspenseful tale "with a wealth of interesting background information" (Publishers Weekly). "Rinaldi has woven two interesting plots here into a fine coming-of-age historical novel....Makes readers feel as if they are living in history." —Booklist "A vivid account of the moral ambiguities surrounding body snatching—for medical research—at the close of the Civil War." —Publishers Weekly

Bring Your Baggage and Don't Pack Light Barbour Publishing

An editor for The Washington Post's Style section offers a look back on the Miss America pageant as it approaches its 100th anniversary, spotlighting how it has survived decades of social and cultural change and redefined itself alongside evolving ideas of feminism.

Southern as a Second Language Anchor

An extraordinary story of friendships, hidden secrets..and the consequences of facing the truth by the bestselling author of *The Patterson Girls*. Little secrets grow up to be big lies... They've been best friends since their sons started high school together, and Felicity, Emma and Neve

share everything ... or so they thought. But Flick's seemingly perfect marriage hides a shocking

secret which, with one word, threatens to destroy her and her family's happiness. Emma is in denial about a potential custody battle, her financial constraints, the exhaustion she can't seem to shake off and the inappropriate feelings she has for her boss. And single mum Neve is harbouring a secret of her own; a secret that might forever damage her close – knit relationship with her son. When the tight hold they have each kept on their secrets for years begins to slip, they must face the truth. Even if that truth has the power to hurt the ones they love, and each other. Perhaps some secrets weren't made to be kept.

[Buried Bones](#) Macmillan

A Southern Belle Primer meets The Rules in this engaging volume that explains the mystique of Southern women and why they always get what they want, and shows women how to get the same kind of romantic, professional, and personal success.

[Southern Women](#) Crown Archetype

“ This ode to combining Southern and Californian menus and hospitality calls to mind a Martha Stewart entertaining tome . . . a very personal ethos on the art of entertaining. ” —Booklist Entertaining Secrets from an Accomplished Hostess and Down-to-Earth Southern Belle! Set on a ranch in the stunningly beautiful Southern California wine country, well-known writer and television personality Frances Schultz ' s hospitality is no secret in Santa Barbara County and beyond. The cooking of chef and recipe creator Stephanie Valentine is acclaimed by all who ' ve sampled it, including Martha Stewart and Julia Child. Frances invites us into her home, her heart, and a place at her beautiful table, and she shows us how she does it. Whether you're planning a simple picnic for two or a celebration dinner for twenty, California Cooking and Southern Style is the perfect cookbook and table-scape guide to have at your fingertips always. Using fresh, seasonal ingredients and tested by everyday home cooks, the recipes are tried, true, do-able, and delicious. The same goes for the beautiful and deceptively simple table settings. A unique, at-a-glance listing of eighteen menus is followed by chapters featuring each menu with recipes, table settings, and entertaining tales and tips. With a hundred-plus recipes and photographs, California Cooking and Southern Style will make your mouth water, your eyes dance, your guests grateful, and your heart happy.

The Southern Belle's Handbook CreateSpace

As the Civil War ground on, an underground Unionist movement flourished in the heart of the Confederacy, led by an unlikely leader. Elizabeth Van Lew, a wealthy and well connected member of Richmond ' s elite, risked everything to help save the Union, skillfully directing this clandestine group and becoming General Ulysses S. Grant ' s spy in Richmond. Surrounded by a cadre of “ slaves ” secretly freed and working with her at the risk of their lives--and hers--Lizzie becomes a pivotal character in the narrative that reveals the complexity and horror of war and the possibility of ultimate redemption. Based on an incredible true story, Lizzie's War revolves around a number of elements: the intrigue involved in Elizabeth ' s double life, her scheme to plant a former slave as her spy in the Jefferson Davis home, her secret romance with a Union prisoner, the dangerous work and conspiracies entailed in running a spy network for the Federal Government in the Confederate capital, terrifying flights to freedom engineered by Elizabeth for escaped prisoners and slaves, and ongoing Confederate surveillance, investigations and arrests of Unionists.

Rowman & Littlefield

When two cousins switch identities, anything can happen.

[Sophisticated Southern Belle with Secrets](#) Createspace Independent Publishing Platform

When Mike Feinberg and Dave Levin signed up for Teach for America right after college and found themselves utter failures in the classroom, they vowed to remake themselves into superior educators. They did that—and more. In their early twenties, by sheer force of talent and determination never to take no for an answer, they created a wildly successful fifth-grade experience that would grow into the Knowledge Is Power Program (KIPP), which today includes sixty-six schools in nineteen states and the District of Columbia. KIPP schools incorporate what Feinberg and Levin learned from America's best, most charismatic teachers: lessons need to be lively; school days need to be longer (the KIPP day is nine and a half hours); the completion of homework has to be sacrosanct (KIPP teachers are available by telephone day and night). Chants, songs, and slogans such as "Work hard, be nice" energize the program. Illuminating the ups and downs of the KIPP founders and their students, Mathews gives us something quite rare: a hopeful book about education.

Caroline's Secret Kensington Books

As she enters the Commencement Ball at West Point Military Academy on a spring evening in 1837, in her pink gown with white silk roses and ropes of pearls, Cecelia Stovall looks---and feels---like the perfect, innocent Southern belle. Little does she know that at that dance she will meet the man who will change her life---and the lives of all her fellow Southerners---forever. Cecelia falls instantly in love with the dashing young Northern cadet, William Tecumseh Sherman, and they embark on a fiery, secret rendezvous despite their broad cultural differences and the expectation that they will marry others. Their love remains poignantly aflame and survives the worst obstacles over years of separation and longing. And then the long-threatened Civil War starts, and both Cecelia and William assume prominent positions on opposite sides of their country's deepest and fiercest rift, as William becomes the very same General Sherman who will be feared and hated throughout the South. Legend has it that Sherman's love for Cecelia was the reason he spared her hometown of Augusta during his infamous march to the sea, in which his troops cut a swath through nearly every other town in Georgia and burned Atlanta to the ground. Now Diane Haeger, the author of the acclaimed The Secret Wife of King George IV, has re-created this lost romance in a sweeping and lyrical novel that will be treasured by the history enthusiast---and hopeless romantic---in everyone. A multilayered historical saga spanning a quarter-century, Diane Haeger's My Dearest Cecelia is an epic novel of star-