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## **The Private World of Georgette Heyer**

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Abigail Wendover, on the shelf at 28, is kept busy when her niece falls head over

heels in love with a handsome fortune hunter and Abbie is forced into a confrontation with his scandalous uncle. Miles Calvery is the black sheep of his family- enormously rich from a long sojourn in India, disconcertingly blunt and brash. But he turns out to be Abbie's

most important ally in keeping her niece out of trouble. But how can he possibly be considered eligible when she has worked so hard to rebuff his own nephew's suit for her niece? And how can she possibly detach from an ailing sister who needs her? This is a heroine who has to be, literally,

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swept off her feet...

A Christmas  
Party Severn  
House  
Publishers Ltd  
The Black  
Moth' was  
Georgette  
Heyer ' s debut  
novel. She was  
only 19 and it  
surprised the  
publishing  
world by  
selling more  
than 200,000  
copies in 1921.  
Georgette  
Heyer  
essentially  
invented  
Regency  
Romance. This  
novel is set in  
1751 and has  
Lords, Ladies,  
and Highway  
Men. As with

all of Heyer ' s  
novels  
romance,  
adventure, and  
intrigue  
abound. Lord  
Jack Carstares  
rescues Diana  
Beauleigh, a  
young beautiful  
English lady  
from the Duke  
of Andover  
who is trying to  
abduct her.  
Lord Carstares  
while brave and  
courageous has  
fallen on hard  
times and has  
resorted to  
becoming a  
highway man.  
But Diana is  
about to change  
all that.

**Why Shoot a  
Butler?**

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Inc.  
A philandering  
professor on the  
faculty of an Ivy  
League school is  
found murdered,  
setting off ripple  
effects of  
anxiety,  
suspicion, and  
panic in this  
Edgar Award-  
winning classic  
from 1946. The  
Horizontal Man  
was Helen  
Eustis's only  
crime novel, and  
she won an  
Edgar Award for  
it, combining a  
wildly disparate  
set of elements  
into an  
enduringly  
fascinating work.  
In its way it is a

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classical  
whodunit that  
stands  
comparison with  
old-school  
practitioners  
such as Agatha  
Christie or  
Dorothy Sayers.  
This mystery  
transpires in the  
rarefied precincts  
of the English  
department of a  
venerable New  
England college,  
one very much of  
the restless  
postwar moment,  
echoing with  
references to  
Freud and Kafka.  
Eustis finds  
comedy high and  
low in a  
cavalcade of  
characters  
bursting at the

seams with  
repressed sexual  
longings and  
simmering  
malice. Beyond  
the satire, she  
stirs up--with a  
narrative whose  
multiple  
viewpoints give  
the book a  
striking  
modernistic  
edge--a troubling  
sense of the  
mental chaos  
lurking just  
beneath the  
civilized surfaces  
of her academic  
setting. The Case of the  
Dotty Dowager  
Sourcebooks, Inc.  
Frances Celane has  
good reason to  
pout. Thanks to a  
provision in her

late father's will  
administered by her  
uncle, she's caught  
in the middle of a  
family feud between  
matrimony and  
money. If she  
chooses marriage,  
she loses a million.  
But beautiful young  
Frances has a strong  
will of her own  
she's not afraid to  
use. Her first move:  
hire Perry Mason to  
orchestrate things.  
Unfortunately,  
stubbornness runs  
in Frances Celane's  
family, as Mason  
discovers when he  
confronts her  
Uncle Edward.  
And, when blood  
begins to spill, so  
do the secrets.  
*Friday's  
Child*

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 "Death in the nearly Heyer's  
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 rare and refr especially act and speak  
 eshing."-The his odd and with an ease  
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 an as they are the ordinary  
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 Murder... In it will take novel."-Times  
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 is found determine Sourcebooks,  
 murdered, who's telling Inc.  
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 Unfortunately direction. Hemingway is  
 for Superinte The question confronted  
 ndent is: who in by a murder  
 Hannasyde, this family that seems i  
 the deceased is clever t  
 is Andrew enough to get mpossible?no

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one was near the murder weapon at the time the shot was fired. Everyone on the scene seems to have a motive, not to mention the wherewithal to commit murder, and alibis that simply don't hold up. The inspector is sorely tried by a wide variety of suspects, including the neglected widow, the	neighbor who's in love with her, her resentful daughter, and a patently phony Russian prince preying on the widow's emotional vulnerability and social aspirations. And then there's the blackmail plot that may?or may not?be at the heart of the case? PRAISE FOR GEORGETTE HEYER: "Our	Georgette Heyer display of the Sourcebooks reprints has been a huge success, not only to those early fans like myself, but to many new readers who appreciate her style and wit." Nancy Olson, Quail Ridge Books, Raleigh, NC "Reading Georgette Heyer is the next best thing to reading Jane Austen."
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"Wonderful	BACK, THE	accompanimen
characters,	BIG SLEEP,	t of wild
elegant,	and RIO	brainless
witty	BRAVO...	laughter,
writing,	Walter Sherr	Walter
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what the	along a dark	moment his
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only aspire	night.	life became
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Walter	police were	dies It's no
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pain; for	witnesses.	found dead
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he now had	Sherris set	and it seems
about his	out alone to	his high
pretty young	trap the	blood
wife; and	tiger. The	pressure was
for the	Tiger Among	not the
countless	Us was	cause. When
and nameless	filmed as 13	an autopsy
others who	West Street	reveals a
had been	(starring	sinister
mauled by	Alan Ladd).	poison in
the thrill	<u>Georgette</u>	his body,
seekers, the	<u>Heyer's</u>	it's up to
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loose in a	Meet the	catch the
tame	Matthews...	murderer in
suburban	before the	time to
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next victim.	no reader can	boards the
But every	fail to enjo	wrong coach,
single	y."—Manchest	she ends up not
member of	er Guardian	at her
the	"A marvelous	prospective
quarrelsome	mélange of	employer's home
Matthews	malice,	but at the
family has a	murder,	estate of
motive and	mystery, and	Eustace
none, of	mirth. Price	Cheviot, a
course, has	less!"—Satur	dissipated and
an alibi.	day Review	ruined young
"The	<b>Duplicate</b>	man on the
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and	Why Shoot a Bu	decision... His
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writing is	<b>The Polished</b>	persuades
so bright,	<b>Hoe</b>	Elinor to marry
and the	Sourcebooks,	Eustace as a
solution so	Inc.	simple business
unexpected	"Lively,	arrangement. By
that the	amusing...done	morning, Elinor
book	to a	is a rich
achieves	turn!"—Kirkus	widow, but
success and	Reviews A	finds herself
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	mistake...	an
	When Elinor	international
	Rochdale	spy ring,
		housebreakers,
		uninvited



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guests, and murder. And Mr Carlyon won't let her leave ... What readers are saying about The Reluctant Widow "Delightful and purely entertaining. The plot involves comedy, intrigue, espionage, cloaks and daggers, and things going bump in the night - served with a sauce of witty repartee that is the Heyer hallmark. Unforgettable." "One of my favorites!" "A delightfully funny and mysterious romp." "Reading Georgette Heyer is the next best thing to reading Jane Austen." - Publisher's Weekly Envious Casca Dundurn.com Nominated for an Edgar Award for Best First Novel! In 19th century Bombay, Captain Jim Agnihotri channels his idol, Sherlock Holmes, in Nev March's Minotaur Books/Mystery Writers of America First Crime Novel Award-winning debut. In 1892, Bombay is the center of British India. Nearby, Captain Jim Agnihotri lies in Poona military hospital recovering from a skirmish on the wild northern frontier, with little to do but re-read the tales of his idol, Sherlock Holmes, and

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browse the daily papers. The case that catches Captain Jim's attention is being called the crime of the century: Two women fell from the busy university's clock tower in broad daylight. Moved by Adi, the widower of one of the victims – his certainty that his wife and sister did	not commit suicide – Captain Jim approaches the Parsee family and is hired to investigate what happened that terrible afternoon. But in a land of divided loyalties, asking questions is dangerous. Captain Jim's investigatio n disturbs the shadows that seem to follow the Framji	family and triggers an ominous chain of events. And when lively Lady Diana Framji joins the hunt for her sisters' attackers, Captain Jim's heart isn't safe, either. Based on a true story, and set against the vibrant backdrop of colonial India, Nev March's Minotaur Books/Myster y Writers of America
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First Crime Novel Award-winning lyrical debut, Murder in Old Bombay, brings this tumultuous historical age to life. Black Sheep Simon and Schuster "Bright and effervescent ."—The Times Literary Supplement What begins as an adventure soon becomes a nightmare... Locals claim it is haunted and refuse to put a single toe past the front door, but to siblings Peter, Celia, and Margaret, the Priory is nothing more than a rundown estate inherited from their late uncle—and the perfect setting for a much-needed holiday. But when a murder victim is discovered in the drafty Priory halls, the once unconcerned trio begins to fear that the ghostly rumors are true and they are not alone after all! With a killer on the loose, will they find themselves the next victims of a supernatural predator, or will they uncover a far more corporeal culprit? **The Tiger Among Us**

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death in his second murder Heyer novel  
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Weidenfeld & Nicolson "The Georgette Heyer bible...This is a must-have book for any Georgette Heyer lover." -Historically Obsessed An international bestseller and queen of the Regency romance, Georgette Heyer is one of the most beloved historical novelists of our time. She wrote more than fifty novels, yet her private life was inaccessible to any but her nearest friends and relatives. Lavishly illustrated and with access to private papers, correspondence and family archives, this classic biography opens a window into Georgette Heyer's world and that of her most memorable characters, revealing a formidable, energetic woman with an impeccable sense of style and, beyond everything, a love for all things Regency. "One of the most beautiful books I know. Time and time again, on reading this book, I found myself breaking off to lift

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another dog-eared Heyer from the shelf and lose myself in the increased pleasure of a re-reading."  
-Washington Post Book World  
**Behold, Here's Poison**  
Macmillan  
"You're in for a treat."-NORA ROBERTS, #1 New York Times bestselling author The Marquis of Vidal always gets his own way. Until he meets Mary

Challoner...  
Praise for Devil's Cub:  
"If you've never read Heyer's books before, prepare to be charmed. Or come rediscover her magic."-LINDA HOWARD, author of Up Close and Dangerous  
"[C]olorful and eccentric characters."  
-Library Journal  
Why Shoot a Butler  
Sourcebooks, Inc.  
A New York Times and USA Today Bestseller!  
"Miss Heyer's

characters and dialogue are an abiding delight to me."  
-Dorothy L. Sayers Every family has secrets, but the Fountains' are turning deadly? On a dark night, along a lonely country road, barrister Frank Amberley stops to help a young lady in distress and discovers a sports car with a corpse behind the wheel. The girl protests her innocence, and Amberley believes her?at least until he gets drawn into the mystery and the clues incriminating Shirley Brown

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English country-teapot just universally  
house murder waiting to be reviled host is  
mystery with a poured."— found dead—in a  
twist, it's the Bestsellers room locked  
butler who's "Georgette from the  
the victim, Heyer is second inside. For  
every clue to none."— Inspector  
complicates the Sunday Times Hemingway of  
puzzle, and the "Heyer is an Scotland Yard,  
bumbling police author to read the  
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baffled. "Sharp, clear, that every  
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 Georgette Heyer Heyer has given dialogue are an  
 wrote over me such great abiding delight  
 fifty books, pleasure over to me."  
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 Regency reading, and Sayers  
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 accuracy, wittiest of has never  
 inventive detective known his  
 plots, and writers."  
 sparkling chara -Daily Mail  
 cterization. "Miss Heyer's



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parents. Belinda, the meaning  
Instead, his beautiful guardian,  
Grace foundling hemmed in by  
Adolphus who appears the  
Gillespie to be affectionate  
Vernon Ware, blackmailing ministration  
Gilly for his cousin, s of a small  
short, has he absconds army of  
endured with glee. family  
twenty-four But he has retainers,  
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rigorous entered this Sale had  
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uncle and world than without ever  
valet. But he is making a  
his natural plunged into decision for  
diffidence a frenzy of himself In  
conceals a intrigue, all his life  
rebellious kidnapping, the titular  
spirit. A adventure, master of  
mysterious and Sale House,  
beauty surprises at duke,  
provides the every turn. marquis,  
perfect "Orphaned at earl, thrice  
opportunity birth, baron, had  
When Gilly bullied by never so  
hears of his well- much as

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selected a cravat for his own wardrobe ... One morning, in a moment of unaccustomed resolution, His Grace made up his mind. 'I shall try to discover,' he decided, 'whether I am a man, or only a duke.' "-New York Times Book Review <i>No Wind of Blame</i> Kensington Books A WWI widow investigates murder-and	her late husband's secrets-in "this engrossing series launch" by the Daphne Award- winning author (Publishers Weekly). England, 1919. Verity Kent's grief over the loss of her husband pierces anew when she receives a cryptic letter suggesting her beloved Sidney may have	committed treason before his untimely death. Determined to dull her pain with revelry, Verity's first impulse is to dismiss the claim. But the mystery sender knows too much-inc luding the fact that during the war, Verity worked for the Secret Service, something not even Sidney knew.
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Lured to  
Umbersea  
Island to  
attend the  
engagement  
party of one  
of Sidney's  
fellow  
officers,  
Verity  
discovers  
dark secrets  
among the ve  
terans—along  
with a  
murder meant  
to conceal  
them.  
Relying on  
little more  
than a coded  
letter, a  
dashing  
stranger,  
and her own  
sharp  
instincts,  
Verity

pursues a  
deadly trail  
that leads  
her to a  
shocking  
truth. . .  
"My favorite  
new mystery  
series!"—  
Alyssa  
Maxwell, USA  
Today  
bestselling  
author "Sure  
to please  
fans of  
classic  
whodunits  
and lovers  
of  
historical  
fiction alik  
e."—Jessie  
Crockett,  
author of  
Whispers  
Beyond the  
Veil

Foundling  
Library of  
America  
Ella Barron  
runs her Texas  
boarding house  
with the  
efficiency of  
a ship's  
captain and  
the grace of a  
gentlewoman.  
She cares for  
her ten-year-  
old son,  
Solly, a sweet  
but  
challenging  
child whose  
busy behavior  
and failure to  
speak elicits  
undesired  
advice from  
others in  
town. Ella's  
plate is full  
from sunup to  
sundown. But  
when a room in  
her boarding  
house opens up  
and the

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respected town  
doctor, Dr.  
Kincaid, brings  
Ella a new  
boarder--the  
handsome and  
gallant Mr.  
David  
Rainwater--Ella  
is immediately  
resistant to  
opening up her  
home to this  
mysterious  
stranger.