

## Almost A Bride The Funniest Rom Com Youll Read This Year

Once I was a sane, levelheaded professional woman. Then I said “yes.” Now I am the lunatic bride I always made fun of! What is it about getting married that turns normal people into total freaks? A savvy, riotously funny novel, *Diary of a Mad Bride* is for anyone who has ever been a bride, is about to become a bride, yearned to be a bride, or suffered the sheer indignity of appearing in public in the world’s ugliest bridesmaid dress.... My wedding was starting in less than twenty minutes, and I was stuck in a 7-Eleven parking lot with popcorn kernels wedged in my gums and vanilla ice cream melting on my dress. It was a disaster too large to comprehend. After an agonizing year spent planning my wedding, could it really end like this? The voices chronicling a year of wedding hysteria swirled in my head.... — My grandmother upon viewing my engagement ring: “What do you mean he gave you an emerald! Diamonds are eternal, emeralds say, maybe five years.” — My future father-in-law on the night of my engagement party: “To a happy marriage and, if necessary, a painless divorce!” — My best friend, Anita: “Oh, screw congratulations. Of course I’m happy for you. Stephen’s a major piece of ass and he’s got a sense of humor. Just as long as you’re certain this is what you want.” Would I survive this day after all....?

When Kitty Clayton flees her wedding with no money, no bank card and no phone, her life seems worryingly futureless. All she knows is, she'd rather sleep on the streets than go back home to cheating Ethan. But perhaps she will eventually find her happily ever after?

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William Goldman's modern fantasy classic is a simple, exceptional story about quests—for riches, revenge, power, and, of course, true love—that's thrilling and timeless. Anyone who lived through the 1980s may find it impossible—inconceivable, even—to equate *The Princess Bride* with anything other than the sweet, celluloid romance of Westley and Buttercup, but the film is only a fraction of the ingenious storytelling you'll find in these pages. Rich in character and satire, the novel is set in 1941 and framed cleverly as an “abridged” retelling of a centuries-old tale set in the fabled country of Florin that's home to “Beasts of all natures and descriptions. Pain. Death. Brave men. Coward men. Strongest men. Chases. Escapes. Lies. Truths. Passions.”

One Woman. Three Men. Who will win her heart For Always? Life has gotten more than a little complicated for Isabelle Dennehy. She inherited the family mercantile after her parents died, but substantial debt threatens to destroy the one thing she has left of her family's legacy. Henry Garrison, the town's ruthless and arrogant bank manager, has proposed a solution. Marry him and she can keep the deed to the property. But this presents a bigger problem, since she'd rather be boiled in lye. More importantly, Isabelle is in love with someone else. Isabelle has known widower Justin Marshall for years and yearns to create a life with him. But the handsome farmer has given no indication there will ever be more than friendship between them. With time running out and her choices dwindling, Isabelle discovers an ad for a mail order bride and sees it as a chance to start over. She makes a plan to leave the plains of Illinois and the pain of profound loss behind her. In the meantime, Justin can't stop thinking of Isabelle, but he knows all too well that with love comes pain. Though he's fought hard, it's becoming increasingly difficult to deny his affection for the beautiful, young Isabelle. The

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banker is pressing for her hand, the Missouri bachelor is eager to claim a mail order bride and, through it all, Isabelle has held out hope that Justin Marshall is her destiny. Will true love prevail before she says “I do” to the wrong man?

From the #1 New York Times bestselling author of *The Handmaid's Tale* One of Margaret Atwood's most unforgettable characters lurks at the center of this intricate novel like a spider in a web. The glamorous, irresistible, unscrupulous Zenia is nothing less than a fairy-tale villain in the memories of her former friends. Roz, Charis, and Tony—university classmates decades ago—were reunited at Zenia's funeral and have met monthly for lunch ever since, obsessively retracing the destructive swath she once cut through their lives. A brilliantly inventive fabulist, Zenia had a talent for exploiting her friends' weaknesses, wielding intimacy as a weapon and cheating them of money, time, sympathy, and men. But one day, five years after her funeral, they are shocked to catch sight of Zenia: even her death appears to have been yet another fiction. As the three women plot to confront their larger-than-life nemesis, Atwood proves herself a gleefully acute observer of the treacherous shoals of friendship, trust, desire, and power.

Wealthy Arabella Lawrence flees to British Columbia on a bride ship still wearing the scars of past mistakes. One of the few single women in the boomtown, she immediately has suitors, but she is determined not to find herself trapped again by a poor choice. Vying for her hand are two very different men. Lieutenant Richard Drummond is a gentleman in the Navy and is held in high esteem. Peter Kelly is the town's baker and has worked hard to build a thriving business. He and Drummond not only compete for Arabella's affections, but clash over their views of how the natives should be treated in the midst of a smallpox outbreak. As Arabella

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begins to overcome her fears, she discovers someone in dire need--a starving girl abandoned by her tribe. Intent on helping the girl, Arabella leans on Peter's advice and guidance. Will she have the wisdom to make the right decision or will seeking what's right cost both her and Peter everything?

City girl in Montana looking for her Romeo... Sounds like the start of a Hallmark movie, right? Well, it would if they had movies about idiot women flying across the country to marry a man they'd never met. Yup, that's what I did. I responded to an ad in a random newspaper that I found on the train. And now I'm trying to find Horseshoe Ranch so that I can marry some cowboy I've never even seen. And no, this isn't the 1800's. I'm just desperate. To make matters worse, the cowboy doesn't even know I'm coming. His mom and dad arranged it all. I'm going is because I have \$100 to my name and an old mafia boyfriend after me. I figured life couldn't get any worse in Montana. I was wrong. In my excitement, I left the address and phone number for the ranch at home, so now I'm here in Montana and I have no idea where I'm supposed to go. So I took a rented a car and stopped at a local bar to ask for directions. And that's when my problems really started.

The only film critic to win the Pulitzer Prize, Roger Ebert collects his reviews from the last 30 months in Roger Ebert's Movie Yearbook 2012. Forbes Magazine described Ebert as the "most powerful pundit in America." In January 2011, he and his wife, Chaz, launched Ebert Presents at the Movies, a weekly public television program in the tradition that he and Gene Siskel began 35 years earlier. Since 1986, each edition of Roger Ebert's Movie Yearbook has presented full-length movie reviews, with interviews, essays, tributes, journal entries, and "Questions for the Movie Answer Man," and new entries in his popular Movie Glossary. Inside

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Roger Ebert's Movie Yearbook 2012, readers can expect to find every movie review Ebert has written from January 2009 to July 2011, including *The Social Network*, *Waiting for Superman*, *Inception*, *The King's Speech*, *My Dog Tulip*, *The Human Centipede*, and more. Also included in the Yearbook are: \* In-depth interviews with newsmakers and celebrities, such as John Waters and Justin Timberlake. \* Memorial tributes to those in the film industry who have passed away, such as Blake Edwards, Tony Curtis, and Arthur Penn. \* Essays on the Oscars and reports from the Cannes and Toronto Film Festivals.

From the author of the 100,000 copy-selling rom-com, *Love to Hate You!* No one makes you laugh like Jo Watson! 'If you want a book that is TRULY "laugh out loud" start here' Goodreads reviewer If you love Sophie Randal, Sophie Kinsella and Paige Toon, you'll LOVE Jo Watson! 'A hilarious, laugh-out-loud romance that is a breath of fresh air' 5\* reader review 'A masterclass in character development... This is truly a novel for the times we live in. I would highly recommend' 5\* reader review 'Another absolutely gorgeous read by one of my favourite authors...completely impossible to put down' 5\* reader review 'I loved this book. It was so funny and I really wish a movie could be made of it' 5\* reader review On the scale of one to worst idea ever, agreeing to give the toast at her best friend's engagement party when she's been in love with him for three years was not Val's finest decision. Nor was accidentally confessing her love to him in front of all their guests, including his fiancée. Boarding a plane that will take her literally anywhere to get away from the humiliation, Val is pleasantly surprised to find herself on the dazzlingly beautiful island of Reunion where she hopes she can heal her wounded pride, broken heart and bruised knees. When a painful face mask experiment leads her to a fellow broken-hearted traveller, Alex, they decide to give each other a helping hand

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and follow a foolproof ten-step plan to get over their respective exes. And so begins their crazy adventure. What could possibly go wrong? Don't miss Jo's laugh-out-loud rom-coms, *Love You, Love You Not*, *Love to Hate You*, *Burning Moon*, *Almost A Bride*, *Finding You*, *After the Rain* and *The Great Ex-scape*. Love funny, romantic stories? You don't want to miss Jo Watson: 'The perfect choice for fans of romantic comedies' *Gina's Bookshelf* 'It was amazing, it was hilarious' *Rachel's Random Reads* 'A brilliant read from beginning to end' *Hopeless Romantics*

A revised edition of the best-selling wedding organizer contains more than seventy-five percent new information and includes advice on such topics as saving money, setting a timetable, handling an interfaith ceremony, wording a modern invitation, and making the most of online resources. Original.

A hilarious and heartwarming debut novel of big dreams, big days, and even bigger lies. . . Molly Harrigan has always dreamed of the perfect wedding, she just never thought she'd be in scores of them as the bridesmaid. Now on her thirtieth birthday—after her younger, married sister announces that she's pregnant—Molly's old dream takes on an all-new urgency. It doesn't help matters that her best friend Brad drops the bomb that he's engaged to his spoiled brat of a girlfriend. Devastated, Molly does what almost no one in the same situation would do. With a giant wedding fund burning a hole in her pocket (courtesy of her late, beloved grandmother), Molly hires a fiancé. Now armed with the perfect boyfriend, Molly stages a whirlwind courtship, engagement, and grand-ballroom-style wedding. Lying to her friends and family is a small price to pay for cake-

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tastings, gift registries, and dress fittings. But lying to herself could cost Molly her one chance at true love—with a man whose feet are turning as cold as her own. . .

Living in London's poorest slum, Mercy Wilkins has little hope of a better life. When she's offered an opportunity to join a bride ship sailing to British Columbia, she agrees. After witnessing so much painful heartache and loss in the slums, the bride ship is her only prospect to escape a bleak future, not only for herself but, she hopes, someday for her sister. Wealthy and titled Joseph Colville leaves home and takes to the sea in order to escape the pain of losing his family. As ship's surgeon, he's in charge of the passengers' welfare aboard the Tynemouth, including sixty brides-to-be. He has no immediate intention of settling down, but when Mercy becomes his assistant, the two must fight against a forbidden love. With hundreds of single men congregating on the shore eager to claim a bride from the Tynemouth, will Mercy and Joseph lose their chance at true love, or will they be able to overcome the obstacles that threaten to keep them apart?

The first book from Upright Citizens Brigade comedian Laura Willcox, *I AM BRIDE* is a hysterical spoof of all the lavish, ridiculous, and stressful things a bride deals with when planning her *BIG DAY*. \*\*As seen on *The New Yorker* *SHOUTS* and *Refinery29!*\*\* In this bridal gag gift, Laura Willcox writes in the voice of an overbearing, outrageous wedding planner, covering all aspects of a wedding—from the moment of engagement (hopefully with the ring you've been not so subtly emailing him about for months), all

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the way through the final minutes of the big day. Accompanied by Jason O'Malley's humorous illustrations, Willcox offers tongue-in-cheek advice for every wedding-planning moment, whether it's dreaming up the perfect wedding-weekend hashtag, planning a gift registry to make everyone jealous of your fabulous lifestyle, or figuring out how to distance yourself from the poor, unfortunate souls who didn't make the cut for your guest list. Laura Willcox's refreshing take on all things bride will turn tradition on its head, and have you rolling your eyes and reading passages out loud to your engaged (and married) friends. This funny book is a perfect gift for the friend who can't stop pinning to her dream wedding board, bridezilla-to-be, or any bride who would benefit from a much-needed break from the stress and madness of wedding planning. Collects every movie review written by the author from January 2008 through July 2010, more than 500 total, along with interviews, essays, tributes, journal entries and Q&As. Original.

A delightful romantic comedy from New York Times bestselling author Ginny Baird... Successful Boston matchmaker and television personality Meredith Galanes's reputation is on the line. During a guest appearance on a morning talk show, she's broadsided by questions about her own romantic attachments, just as she's trying to secure a syndication deal. Afraid to admit her love life is a total disaster, Meredith blurts out that she's seriously involved with a very special man—a boatbuilder in Maine. She never expects that small slip to get spun into a story about her supposed engagement.

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Or that the paparazzi will track the guy down... Derrick Albright is laid-back about many things. Being hounded by the press about some imaginary engagement to a woman he's only met once—and couldn't stand—isn't one of them. Then Meredith actually shows up at his cabin in Blue Hill, Maine, with an apology, a pot roast, and a proposal—play along until she secures her TV deal, and she'll help him win back his ex. It's a simple plan, but if they have any chance of pulling it off, they'll have to survive each other first... Each book in the Blue Hill Brides series is STANDALONE: \* The Duplicate Bride \* The Matchmaker Bride

Kidnapping the bride seemed like a good idea at the time. Her fiancé stole my fortune, so I stole his woman. Tit for tat. Or tat for tit. However you want to look at it. The one thing I didn't expect? Willow Honeycutt, preschool teacher, boy band super fan, is completely crazy. And somehow she's turned the tables on me. Now, she's holding me hostage, and she won't let me go until we hit every item on her sparkly new, completely insane bucket list. And that last item? That last item might cost me more than any fortune. It very well might cost me my heart. Rockaway Bride is a romping fun romance between a down-on-his-luck rock star and a boy band-loving preschool teacher, complete with a road trip, handcuffs, and fun with nuns. This romantic comedy stands alone with no cheating or cliffhangers and ends with a rockin' awesome happily ever after.

There's a very fine line between blushing bride and mascara-streaked sobbing mess.

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#beenthere Lilly Swanson has been planning her perfect life since she was twelve years old: Meet Mr. Right, have the big white wedding, buy a house in the burbs, and raise 2.5 picture-perfect kids. However, when her fiancé bails, leaving Lilly alone at the altar to face five hundred gossipy guests, her dream turns into a nightmare. But then Lilly makes an impulsive decision---she ditches the dress, grabs her passport, and heads off to Thailand to spend her honeymoon alone. Or so she thinks . . . Because Lilly quickly learns that everything in Thailand is very hot: the weather, the merchandise, and especially Damien---the sexy, spontaneous man she meets before her feet even hit the sand. Now with no plan, and nothing holding her back, Lilly lets Damien lead her on a wild, unpredictable ride to the world's most exclusive party, Burning Moon. But after a week of letting go, indulging her every impulse and desire, Lilly must go back to the girl she used to be. Or can Damien convince her that their party doesn't have to end? "Top Pick! Almost a Bride put a smile on my face more than once. The dialogue was witty, the words were well-written and the heroine was one-of-a-kind." ---Harlequin Junkie

From the author of the 100,000 copy-selling rom-com, Love to Hate You! No one makes you laugh like Jo Watson! 'Jo Watson's writing puts you in a better mood. Brilliant' Goodreads reviewer Preorder Jo's uplifting new rom-com, Truly, Madly, Like Me, now! Just search: 9781472265555 If you love Sophie Randal, Sophie Kinsella and Paige Toon, you'll LOVE Jo Watson! Some opposites attract; some rip each other's

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clothes off. Stormy-Rain and Marcus could not be more different: she's a free-spirited, rainbow-haired hippie; he wears a suit and over-shines his already too-shiny shoes. She believes in auras; he's governed by logic and doesn't believe in Fate. But Fate believes in them... So what happens when their worlds collide - and they are forced to embark on an epic road trip to catch a plane to a wedding on the other side of the world? The clock is ticking...and they're seriously ticking each other off. But Stormy and Marcus are about to discover just how thin the line between love and hate really is. Don't miss Jo's laugh-out-loud rom-coms, Love You, Love You Not, Love to Hate You, Burning Moon, Almost A Bride, Finding You, After the Rain and The Great Ex-scape. Love funny, romantic stories? You don't want to miss Jo Watson: 'The perfect choice for fans of romantic comedies' Gina's Bookshelf 'It was amazing, it was hilarious' Rachel's Random Reads 'A brilliant read from beginning to end' Hopeless Romantics McBride brings to vivid life the people affected by a shooting. As the story deepens, it becomes clear that the lives of the characters - caught in the tumultuous swirl of 1960s New York - overlap in unexpected ways That awkward moment you catch your boyfriend in bed with another woman and then mistakenly get arrested #chargesdropped Annie knows life isn't always fair. Sometimes you win. Sometimes you lose. Sometimes you get mistaken for a crazed intruder when you come home early and find your boyfriend wearing nipple clamps with a coworker on the night you thought he was going to propose to you. The important thing is to move

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on, and for Annie that means treating herself to a tropical vacation. But when she runs into her ex and his new woman staying at the same resort, reason is washed out to sea. Caught off guard, Annie pretends she's with Chris, a cute screenwriter she meets on the beach. With his own writing blocked, Chris is happy to help Annie craft a story to save face. Soon Annie isn't just getting over her ex, she's getting under Chris. As her fictional feelings grow increasingly real, Annie has to decide if she's ready to risk her heart on a new relationship. "Top Pick! Almost a Bride put a smile on my face more than once. The dialogue was witty, the words were well-written and the heroine was one-of-a-kind." ---Harlequin Junkie

Does anyone still believe in happily-ever-afters? Rory McClaren does! As wedding planner for Hillcrest House Hotel, she's fully engaged with bridezillas, lace and rose petals. There's no frown she can't turn upside down—until she meets businessman Jamison Porter. The widowed single dad is in town to play best man for his best friend. But when his little girl falls for Rory's charms, could Jamison be hearing wedding bells...of his own?

Ever been chased by a jealous husband swinging an axe? Or had your shoelaces and socks chewed by a cheetah while you couldn't move? What about having a doctor pass out beside you while he was delivering your child? If your answers are no, then you are lucky. If you want to find out how someone survived these wild and crazy adventures, read this book! The light-hearted autobiography of Hugh MacDonald recounts the

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laughable and unusual adventures and misadventures of a budding concert pianist, a minister of one of Canada's largest churches, a college professor, a radio talk-show host, a Paris tour guide, and a civil marriage commissioner. MacDonald tells of being carried down a main street in Montreal completely naked; walking a marathon with raw eggs squishing in his boots; being forced to eat beef stew, well-flavoured with cat hair; inadvertently buying 3,125 condoms in preparation for his wedding; being marooned and coming close to death in a Northern Ontario blizzard; and so much more!

MacDonald winds these yarns into an interesting account of his long and varied life. This book can be read in one sitting, or you can savour it as bedtime reading, enjoying one or two funny stories each night. Either way, you can't go wrong with this humorous telling of MacDonald's life.

In this spectacular new romance from acclaimed New York Times bestselling author Jane Feather, fate deals one stubbornly single young woman and one deceptively heartless man a shocking hand in a high-stakes bet. But is love in the cards? Jack Fortescu gambles to win, and this time his prize is not only his rival's lavish mansion but everything in it— including the man's beautiful sister! But when it comes to games, Jack has met his match. . . . Left homeless by her brother's escapade, Arabella Lacey has two appalling choices: pack her bags—or agree to marry the lunatic who's taken over her house. Why would such a handsome—and outrageously wealthy—man want such an unromantic arrangement? Arabella intends to find out, and have a little fun in

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the process at Jack's expense . . . literally. As Jack discovers that his reluctant bride is no ordinary beauty, he feels a stir of admiration, among other emotions, that wasn't part of the bargain. Now he's the one with everything to lose. . . .

Roger Ebert's Movie Yearbook 2010 is the ultimate source for movies, movie reviews, and much more. For nearly 25 years, Roger Ebert's annual collection has been recognized as the preeminent source for full-length critical movie reviews, and his 2010 yearbook does not disappoint. The yearbook includes every review Ebert has written from January 2007 to July 2009. It also includes interviews, essays, tributes, and all-new questions and answers from his Questions for the Movie Answer Man columns. Fans get a bonus feature, too, with new entries to Ebert's Little Movie Glossary. This is the must-have go-to guide for movie fanatics.

"Everyone knows that Marcus Tullius Cicero was one of the great statesmen, lawyers, and effective orators in the history of Rome. But did you also know he was regarded as one of the funniest people in Roman society as well? Five hundred years after his death, in the twilight of antiquity, the writer Macrobius ranks him alongside the comic playwright Plautus as the one of the two greatest wits ever. In this book, classicist Michael Fontaine, proposes to translate selections from Cicero's great rhetorical treatise, *On the Ideal Orator (De Oratore)*. That larger work covered the whole of rhetoric and effective public speaking and debate. However, contained within it, is a long section focused on the effective use of humor in public speaking. In it, Cicero is

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concerned not just with various kinds of individual jokes, but with jokes that are advantageous in social situations. He advises readers on how to make the most effective use of wit to win friends, audiences, and achieve their overall ambitions. Cicero wants to teach his readers how to tell a joke without looking like a buffoon, and how to prevent or avoid jokes from backfiring. Hence, he does give scores of examples of jokes-some of which are timeless and translate easily, others that involve puns in Latin that challenged the translator's creativity. But overall, this work brings to the fore a little known, but important part of Cicero's classic work."--

From #1 New York Times bestselling author Susan Mallery comes the first story in the fan-favorite Hometown Heartbreakers series. Elizabeth Abbot is new to town, and she's finally getting a fresh start. She's endured enough heartbreak at the hands of her deceitful ex-husband and is determined to provide a happy life for her daughter. That's exactly why she should stay away from Travis Haynes, the sheriff of Glenwood, with his trademark Stetson and sexy smile. With all of her broken heart, Elizabeth longs to trust the legendary lawman, to let him past the walls she has built up so carefully. But will her shattered past forever hold her hostage, even from a love that could make her whole? Originally published in 1994.

Welcome to Nocturne Falls, the town where Halloween is celebrated 365 days a year. The tourists think it's all a show: the vampires, the werewolves, the witches, the occasional gargoye flying through the sky. But the supernaturals populating the town

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know better. Living in Nocturne Falls means being yourself. Fangs, fur, and all. After seeing her maybe-mobster boss murder a guy, Delaney James assumes a new identity and pretends to be a mail order bride. She finds her groom-to-be living in a town that celebrates Halloween every day. Weird. But not as weird as what she doesn't know. Her groom-to-be is a 400-year-old vampire. Hugh Ellingham has only agreed to the arranged set up to make his overbearing grandmother happy. In thirty days, whatever bridezilla shows up at his door will be escorted right back out. His past means love is no longer an option. Not if the woman's going to have a future. Except he never counted on Delaney and falling in love for real. Too bad both of them are keeping some mighty big secrets...

Most of the bright and talented actresses who made America laugh in the 1950s are off the air today, but their pioneering Hollywood careers irrevocably changed the face of television comedy. These smart and sassy women successfully negotiated the hazards of the male-dominated workplace with class and humor, and the work they did in the 1950s is inventive still by today's standards. Unable to fall back on strong language, shock value, or racial and sexual epithets, the female sitcom stars of the 1950s entertained with pure talent and screen savvy. As they did so, they helped to lay the foundation for the development of television comedy. This book pays tribute to 10 prominent television actresses who played lead roles in popular comedy shows of the 1950s. Each chapter covers the works and personalities of one actress: Lucille Ball (I

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Love Lucy), Gracie Allen (The George Burns and Gracie Allen Show), Eve Arden (Our Miss Brooks), Spring Byington (December Bride), Joan Davis (I Married Joan), Anne Jeffreys (Topper), Donna Reed (The Donna Reed Show), Ann Sothorn (Private Secretary and The Ann Sothorn Show), Gale Storm (My Little Margie and The Gale Storm Show: Oh! Susanna), and Betty White (Life with Elizabeth). For each star, a career sketch is provided, concentrating primarily on her television work but also noting achievements in other areas. Appendices offer cast and crew lists, a chronology, and an additional biographical sketch of 10 less familiar actresses who deserve recognition.

#1 New York Times bestselling author Nora Roberts presents a novel of love, friendship, and family in Book One in the Bride Quartet. Wedding photographer Mackensie "Mac" Elliot is most at home behind the camera, but her focus is shattered moments before an important wedding rehearsal when she bumps into the bride-to-be's brother...an encounter that has them both seeing stars. A stable, safe English teacher, Carter Maguire is definitely not Mac's type. But a casual fling might be just what she needs to take her mind off bridezillas. Of course, casual flings can turn into something more when you least expect it. And Mac will have to turn to her three best friends—and business partners—to see her way to her own happy ending. Don't miss the other books in the Bride Quartet *Bed of Roses* *Savor the Moment* *Happy Ever After*  
THE INSTANT NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER! Starred reviews from Kirkus Reviews \* Publishers Weekly \* Library Journal Named a "Must-Read" by TODAY, Us

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Weekly, Bustle, BuzzFeed, Goodreads, Entertainment Weekly, Publishers Weekly, Southern Living, Book Riot, Woman's Day, The Toronto Star, and more! For two sworn enemies, anything can happen during the Hawaiian trip of a lifetime—maybe even love—in this romantic comedy from the New York Times bestselling authors of Roomies. Olive Torres is used to being the unlucky twin: from inexplicable mishaps to a recent layoff, her life seems to be almost comically jinxed. By contrast, her sister Ami is an eternal champion...she even managed to finance her entire wedding by winning a slew of contests. Unfortunately for Olive, the only thing worse than constant bad luck is having to spend the wedding day with the best man (and her nemesis), Ethan Thomas. Olive braces herself for wedding hell, determined to put on a brave face, but when the entire wedding party gets food poisoning, the only people who aren't affected are Olive and Ethan. Suddenly there's a free honeymoon up for grabs, and Olive will be damned if Ethan gets to enjoy paradise solo. Agreeing to a temporary truce, the pair head for Maui. After all, ten days of bliss is worth having to assume the role of loving newlyweds, right? But the weird thing is...Olive doesn't mind playing pretend. In fact, the more she pretends to be the luckiest woman alive, the more it feels like she might be. With Christina Lauren's "uniquely hilarious and touching voice" (Entertainment Weekly), *The Unhoneymooners* is a romance for anyone who has ever felt unlucky in love.

The Great Wedding Giveaway - Book 3 Tara Buck has always been the good sister, level-headed by comparison to Scarlett, her flaky, impulsive twin. But when Tara learns

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her fiancé has been cheating on her with one of his school students, the orderly world she's created for herself suddenly feels as if it's falling apart. For years she chose the safe option, but from now on she's going to live a little, stretch her wings...be a little daring. And if that means acting on the long-suppressed feelings she's always had for Reid Dalton, then so be it! Reid has wanted Tara from the moment he met her, but she's always been out of bounds. Not only is she his patrol partner at the Bozeman PD, she's also engaged. But then her relationship blows up, and Reid finds himself battling his own instinct to stake his claim with the finest, hottest woman he's ever known. Even if anything did happen between them, it would only ever be temporary - Reid's a born wanderer, while Tara's roots run deep in Marietta. So even if things are good between them, it seems their romance is destined to be short and sweet... Tara's twin sister, Scarlett, also has a Montana Born Brides story: look out for Second Chance Bride by Trish Morey.

Unemployed mill worker Zoe Hart jumps at the opportunity to emigrate to British Columbia in 1863 to find a better life and be reunited with her brother, who fled from home after being accused of a crime. Pastor to miners in the mountains, Abe Merivale discovers an abandoned baby during a routine visit to Victoria and joins efforts with Zoe, one of the newly arrived bride-ship women, to care for the infant. While there, he's devastated by the news from his fiancée in England that she's marrying another man. With mounting pressure to find the baby a home, Zoe accepts a proposal from a miner

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of questionable character after he promises to help her locate her brother. Intent on protecting Zoe and frustrated by his failed engagement, Abe offers his own hand as groom. After a hasty wedding, they soon realize their marriage of convenience is not so convenient after all.

The debut collection of raucous, dark, strange, satirical stories from the former Late Show with Stephen Colbert writer and New Yorker contributor, featuring a foreword by Stephen Colbert “Jen Spyra’s stories are shocking, silly, smart, and absurdly funny. Underline both those words, I don’t care how much it costs!”—Tina Fey *A bride so desperate to get in shape for her wedding that she enrolls in a new kind of workout program that promises the moon but costs more than she bargained for. A snowman who, on the wish of a child, comes to life in a decidedly less savory way than in the childhood classic. And in the title story, a time-hopping 1940s starlet tries to claw her way to the top in modern-day Hollywood, despite being ridiculously unwoke. In this uproarious, addictive debut, Jen Spyra takes a culture that seems almost beyond parody and holds it up to a funhouse mirror, immersing the reader in a world of prehistoric influencers, woodland creatures plagued by millennial neuroses, and an all-out birthday bash determined to be the most lavish celebration of all time, by any means necessary. Welcome, brave soul, to the world of Jen Spyra.*

*Married AF: A Funny Marriage Guide for the Newlywed or Bride* is the perfect gift for brides who live in the real world, where the realities of marriage are silly, exasperating,

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and infuriatingly funny. Full of familiar scenarios and pop culture references, even Grandma will appreciate its real take on topics from peeing in the wedding dress to aging gracefully with your other half. This beautifully illustrated book concludes with a useful twist by providing a gift register and space for friends and family to write encouraging words of advice and messages for the couple, making it the perfect keepsake. This is THE book to give if you're wondering what to get for a bridal shower gift, bachelorette party, engagement party, or wedding gift for brides.

Join three favorite authors as three unforgettable couples are Wed Under Western Skies **ABANDONED** by Carolyn Davidson The sole survivor of a wagon train raid, Elizabeth Travis has been left with amnesia. Cameron Montgomery comes to her rescue and takes special care of her. But how can she desire him while she is a woman with no past? **ALMOST A BRIDE** by Cheryl St.John The only unmarried woman in town, Charmaine Renlow has been waiting years for her beau to propose, and she's had enough. Maybe it's time to move on to greener pastures...like single father Jack Easton's homestead! **HIS BROTHER'S BRIDE** by Jenna Kernan Only a desperate woman would marry a man she'd never met, even if it was her dying husband's last request. But with a young daughter to protect, Clara Justice is desperate, so she accepts the proposal from Nate, the black sheep of the family...

Heavens, help me! She's only eleven years old, okay? Four families had actually come to propose marriage: Shang Shu Manor, Hou Mansion, General's Manor, and the

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young prince of the neighboring country. These people could not be offended! In the chaos, the young generals of the family solemnly announced, "Brothers, I am already 21 years old and it is time for me to get married. Today, we will welcome the bride in!" A lock sounded and the bridal sedan approached the door!

Being asked to be a best man is a great honour... but there's the terrifying prospect of giving the speech. There's the stag party to organise, but where do you start? Then there are all those other duties, not to mention the general support you'll need to give the groom. Pretty soon you may be feeling a bit overwhelmed and start to wonder how you can get out of it. Well I'm afraid that's generally not an option, as in this case the groom is like Don Corleone in the Godfather: he has made you an offer you can't refuse. This book will help you rise to the challenge. Written in an informal and lively style it guides you through all your duties from comprehensively exploring the options for the stag party to ensuring you are fully prepared to deliver a great speech on the day (to help with this the book includes 10 original, entertaining and inventive sample speeches). Its detailed guidance should ensure that anyone chosen to be best man will be able to fulfil the role with confidence and in doing so really enjoy the experience.

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This collection of stories was written for only one purpose-to make you laugh! These stories are not aimed at your mind, but at your funny bone. They are not supposed to make you smarter or wiser, but might keep you from taking yourself and life too seriously. When enjoying these stories, you may venture into restaurants or churches, attend weddings or funerals, and spend some time in the Army. And you may meet

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people who did not intend to be funny, but did funny things. These stories should put a smile on your face, and a chuckle in your voice. And if you laugh out loud, that would be okay, too. Laughter is not only good for your health, but it also does wonders for your spirit and your soul.

Almost a BrideForever

Desperate for an heir, Douglas Sherbrooke, Earl of Northcliffe, looks for a bride and finds a prospective one in Melissande Chambers, but it is Melissande's sister, Alexandra, who has loved Sherbrooke from afar since she was a girl. Original.

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