

Mistress By Mistake

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Bride by Mistake - Anne Gracie 2012-01-03
Eight years ago, Lieutenant Luke Ripton made a hasty wartime marriage to protect a young girl from a forced union. Now, unable to obtain an annulment, Luke has no choice but to collect Isabella, the fiercely independent wife he never wanted. And while they remain bound to their vows, they never expected that the passionate

fury they share could become passion of a different kind...

His Secret Mistress - Cathy Maxwell 2020-02-25
At the Logical Men's Society—an exclusive bachelor's club—brandy flows like water, bawdy stories abound, and a gentleman tempted to marry is always persuaded to reconsider . . . Brandon Balfour made the mistake of trusting

his heart to the exquisite, strong-willed actress, Kate Addison, with whom he shared one intimate night before fate intervened. Now a decade later, Brandon is a leading member of the Logical Men's Society—for no woman since Kate has managed to captivate him. To Kate, the memory of that night still burns strongly, because it was followed by a stunning betrayal. A chance encounter may have brought Brandon back into her life, but that doesn't mean Kate will ever forgive him. She's vowed to make him pay—even as she realizes the promises of the young love they once shared are still etched upon her heart . . . Loving her exiled him. Trusting him ruined her. And now, a clash of passions threatens everything each of them ever desired.

A Mistake of Consequence - Terri Evert Karsten
2015-02-10

It is 1754 in Edinburgh, Scotland. Callie Beaton is nearly twenty, single, and determined not to marry anyone her grandfather deems worthy.

But after her impulsive flight from yet another unwanted suitor leads her to the pier one rainy evening, Callie is mistaken for someone else and dragged aboard a ship. Trapped in a dark hold and at the mercy of strangers, Callie has no idea the ship is headed for a bustling port city across the ocean in America. Wracked with seasickness, unable to convince the ship's captain she is not who he thinks she is, and with only one tattered dress to her name, Callie somehow survives the horrid journey. She arrives in colonial Philadelphia penniless, nameless, and alone in a strange place. Two men offer her help: Ethan Asher, a handsome gentleman with a hidden past, and Davy McRae, a charming ship captain with a dangerous secret. Neither seems trustworthy, but when tragedy strikes, Callie is caught in the middle and must choose one of them to help her if she is to save herself and her newfound friends from disaster. In this historical romantic adventure, a Scottish lass who finds herself in the wrong place at the wrong time

unwittingly embarks on a journey across the ocean to a new beginning where she searches for love, belonging, and ultimately her true destiny.

The Accidental Mistress - Tracy Anne Warren
2007-11-27

He will expose her masquerade, but she will expose his heart. To escape an arranged marriage, spirited Lily Bainbridge has staged her own death, and, disguised as a boy, she fled to London and a life of freedom. Yet her plans to live masquerade as an independent widow are thwarted by an encounter with a powerful and dangerously attractive marquis who wants to make her his mistress. Lily is afraid that if she gives him her innocence, he'll steal her heart. Having agreed to a marriage of convenience to honor his family duty, Ethan Andarton, the Marquis of Vessey, has no intention of abandoning his rakish ways. Then fate intervenes in the guise of an impetuous young lady—a woman bold enough to scheme her way to

London, who tempts him with her mystery and her sensuality. Kiss after kiss, caress after tender caress, Ethan vows to discover all of Lily's hidden secrets. For beneath the layers of her clever ruse lies a burning passion that will ignite a tempestuous love neither of them can deny.

Mistakes Not to Make When Avoiding a Rake - Fenna Edgewood 2021-04-22

In the sleepy country village of Bedford, the promise of love can transform the most world-weary rake, and the power of passion can move a proud young woman to repent of even her most stubborn prejudices. A cynical rake... The arrival of Thomas Campbell and his elder brother has the village of Bedford abuzz with excitement. Not only is Thomas tall, dark, and handsome, he is also rumored to be a most notorious rake. Claire Gardner is young, innocent, and completely infuriating. Yet given an opportunity, Thomas can't help teaching the headstrong beauty a lesson in desire. A quiet life

for a lady... Content with a simple rural life, Claire Gardner has no wish for a season in London nor is she eager to wed. But after a catastrophic mistake compromises her honor, Claire finds herself ensnared in scandal. Claire is quite certain reformed rakes do not make the best husbands. She would rather face shame than lose her freedom to a man she is convinced does not love her. But as rumors swirl regarding her ruined reputation, the condemnation of her neighbors becomes more than she can bear. Tormented by a bitter betrayal, Thomas has steeled himself against ever loving again—but he harbors a secret which leaves him in need of a wife. Will the truth about the other woman in Thomas's life destroy their marriage before it has even begun? Meet the Gardner Girls: Four devoted sisters must face pride, peril, and adventure before each finds a love that conquers all. The Gardner Girls series is composed of standalone stories which may be read in any order. Mistakes Not to Make When Avoiding a

Rake is the first book in the series, but the second chronologically. Book Details No cheating, no cliffhangers, and a happily ever after. Heat Level: Sweet-with-Heat, Slow Burn Mistress by Marriage - Maggie Robinson 2011-05-26

Too late for cold feet Baron Edward Christie prided himself on his reputation for even temperament and reserve. That was before he met Caroline Parker. Wedding a scandalous beauty by special license days after they met did not inspire respect for his sangfroid. Moving her to a notorious lovebirds' nest as punishment for her flighty nature was perhaps also a blow. And of course talk has gotten out of his irresistible clandestine visits. Christie must put his wife aside—if only he can get her out of his blood first. Too hot to refuse. . . Caroline Parker was prepared to hear the worst: that her husband had determined to divorce her, spare them both the torture of passion they can neither tame nor escape. But his plan is wickedder than any she's

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—Romance Junkies Praise for Maggie Robinson's *Mistress by Mistake* "Sizzles off the page."

—Anna Campbell

The First Mistake - Sandie Jones 2019-06-11

From the New York Times bestselling author of the Hello Sunshine Book Club pick *The Other Woman*, comes an addictively readable new domestic suspense about a wife, her husband, and the woman who is supposedly her best friend. **THE WIFE:** For Alice, life has never been better. With her second husband, she has a successful business, two children, and a beautiful house. **HER HUSBAND:** Alice knows that life could have been different if her first husband had lived, but Nathan's arrival into her life gave her back the happiness she craved. **HER BEST FRIEND:** Through the ups and downs of life, from celebratory nights out to comforting each other through loss, Alice knows that with

her best friend Beth by her side, they can survive anything together. So when Nathan starts acting strangely, Alice turns to Beth for help. But soon, Alice begins to wonder whether her trust has been misplaced . . . The first mistake could be her last. Praise for *The Other Woman*: "One of the most twisted and entertaining plots."—Reese Witherspoon "A perfect beach read."—Kristin Hannah "Whiplash-inducing."—New York Times Book Review "Such fun you'll cheer [Emily's] chutzpah."—PEOPLE "This thriller will hit close to home."—Refinery29
His Lord's Mistress and Mary by Mistake - Joan Wolf 2000-11-30

In "His Lordship's Mistress," high-born Jessica O'Neill keeps her stage career secret until she falls in love with an earl, while in "Married by Mistake," Florence Washburn finds that her marriage to Viscount Alford, the clumsy older brother of the man sh

Mistress Masham's Repose - T.H. White
2012-03-07

“She saw: first, a square opening, about eight inches wide, in the lowest step...finally she saw that there was a walnut shell, or half one, outside the nearest door...she went to look at the shell—but looked with the greatest astonishment. There was a baby in it.” So ten-year-old Maria, orphaned mistress of Malplaquet, discovers the secret of her deteriorating estate: on a deserted island at its far corner, in the temple long ago nicknamed Mistress Masham’s Repose, live an entire community of people—“The People,” as they call themselves—all only inches tall. With the help of her only friend—the absurdly erudite Professor—Maria soon learns that this settlement is no less than the kingdom of Lilliput (first seen in Gulliver’s Travels) in exile. Safely hidden for centuries, the Lilliputians are at first endangered by Maria’s well-meaning but clumsy attempts to make their lives easier, but their situation grows truly ominous when they are discovered by Maria’s greedy guardians, who

look at The People and see only a bundle of money.

Mistress by Mistake - Kim Lawrence
2011-04-18

Drew Cummings more than lived up to his reputation for being incredibly sexy. He'd misjudged Eve, though, believing her to be a calculating gold digger chasing after his wealthy nephew.... So when Drew began seducing Eve himself, was he simply protecting his family fortune? Why else would he be interested in shy little Eve? There was no denying he wanted her...but was he looking for an affair-or something more permanent?

The Mistake I Made - Paula Daly 2015-09-15
An indecent proposal has fatal repercussions in this “hypnotic” thriller from the author of Keep Your Friends Close (Kirkus Reviews). Roz has reached her breaking point. Her marriage and business have both failed. And with debts racking up, she’s struggling to provide for her nine-year-old son, who is starting to misbehave

in school. Then, at her sister's fortieth birthday party, a perfect—albeit indecent—opportunity presents itself. Scott Elias is wealthy, powerful, and very married. But he wants Roz and he's willing to pay for the privilege of her company. Offering cash in exchange for a no-strings-attached night of intimacy, Scott's deal could clear Roz's debts, get her life back on track, and maybe give her the chance to have some fun in the bargain. But as the situation spirals out of control, Roz is forced to do things she never thought herself capable of . . . "[Daly] has a real gift for mixing insightful writing on domestic life with a suspenseful premise." —Booklist "Daly heats things up fast." —Kirkus Reviews

Mistress of the Empire - Raymond E. Feist
2017-08-22

The world on the other side of the rift: Kelewan, a land seething with political intrigue and deadly conspiracies. Following the opulent panoply of *Daughter Of The Empire* and the dazzling pageantry of *Servant Of The Empire* comes the

resounding conclusion to the Empire trilogy. Besieged by spies and rival houses, stalked by a secret and merciless brotherhood of assassins, the brilliant Lady Mara of the Acoma faces the most deadly challenge she has ever known. The fearsome Black Robes see Mara as the ultimate threat to their ancient power. In search of allies who will join her against them, Mara must travel beyond civilization's borders and even into the hives of the alien cho-ja. As those near and dear to her fall victim to many enemies, Mara cries out for vengeance. Drawing on all of her courage and guile she prepares to fight her greatest battle of all--for her life, her home, and the Empire itself.

The Borgia Betrayal - Sara Poole 2011-06-07
Before the Tudors, there were the Borgias. More passionate. More dangerous. More deadly. From the author of *Poison*, called "stunning"* and "a fascinating page-turner," comes a new historical thriller, featuring the same intriguing and beautiful heroine: Borgia court poisoner,

Francesca Giordano. In the summer of 1493, Rodrigo Borgia, Alexander VI, has been pope for almost a year. Having played a crucial role in helping him ascend the chair of Saint Peter, Francesca, haunted by the shadows of her own past, is now charged with keeping him there. As court poisoner to the most notorious and dangerous family in Italy, this mistress of death faces a web of peril, intrigue, and deceit that threatens to extinguish the light of the Renaissance. As dangers close in from every direction, Francesca conceives a desperate plan that puts her own life at risk and hurls her into a nightmare confrontation with a madman intent on destroying all she is pledged to protect. From the hidden crypts of fifteenth-century Rome to its teeming streets alive with sensuality, obsession, and treachery, Francesca must battle the demons of her own dark nature to unravel a plot to destroy the Borgias, seize control of Christendom, and plunge the world into eternal darkness. *Booklist +Lauren Willig

An Experienced Mistress - Bryn Donovan
2010-05-01

Will Creighton always does what Victorian society expects of a gentleman. But after he returns home to London from the horrors of war to find his fiancée married to someone else, he decides he's played by the rules long enough. He intends to enjoy illicit pleasure with a mistress before marrying a proper wife. Genevieve Bell is anything but proper. She struggles to be taken seriously as a female artist, and when very young, a brief affair ruined her chances for a good marriage. Now painting is her only passion—until she meets Will. When Will mistakes Genevieve for an experienced mistress, Genevieve finds herself unable to resist playing along. But will he discover she's far from an expert in the art of love?

Duchess by Mistake - Cheryl Bolen 2015-04-07
An innocent visit to the Duke of Aldridge's to request a donation for her war widows puts Lady Elizabeth Upton in the midst of a most shocking

scandal. . .The Duke of Aldridge offers for his best friend's sister, Lady Elizabeth Upton, after a mix-up sends her to his bedchamber--just as he's emerging from his bath. She most certainly does not want to force the duke's hand, but how can she bear the shame her scandalous behavior has cast upon her dear brother, the Marquess of Haverstock?Once she agrees to marry her childhood heartthrob, Elizabeth realizes she wants nothing more than to win her husband's love. But capturing his heart is no easy task when former loves threaten to destroy the fragile bonds of their marriage.

MISTAKEN FOR A MISTRESS - Jacqueline Baird 2017-07-17

A man shows up not long after Marlene's mother and Paolo, her mother's wealthy, married lover, die. The man says he's a friend of Paolo's and that he wants to discuss Paolo's will with her. But then she overhears a cruel plot against her: "Seduce that low-class harlot who's looking for a sugar daddy and leave her without a single

penny." Because Marlene, her mother and Paolo lived together as a family, the man has mistaken Marlene for Paolo's mistress...and decided to punish her!

Maggie Robinson Bundle: Mistress by Marriage, Mistress by Midnight, & Mistress by Mistake - Maggie Robinson 2011-09-01

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she resist the consuming desire that demands to be obeyed...? Scandal Is Only The Beginning. . . Charlotte Fallon let her guarded virtue fall once-and she's paid dearly for it ever since. She swore she'd never succumb to men's desires again. But even a village spinster's life miles from temptation can't save her from a sister with no shame whatsoever. Or a heart that longs for more, whatever the cost... Sir Michael Bayard found more than he expected in his bed when he finally joined his new mistress. He'd fantasized about her dewy skin and luscious curves, assured her understanding that what passed between them was mere dalliance. But he didn't expect the innocence and heat of her response in his arms. Nor her surprisingly sharp tongue once she was out of them... A few days of abandon cannot undo the hard-learned lessons of a lifetime. Nor can an honest passion burn away the restraints of society's judgments. Unless, of course, one believes in nonsense like true love...

Mistress of Rome - Kate Quinn 2010-04-06

The first in an unforgettable historical saga from the New York Times bestselling author of *The Alice Network* and *The Diamond Eye*. "So gripping, your hands are glued to the book, and so vivid it burns itself into your mind's eye and stays with you long after you turn the final page."—Diana Gabaldon, #1 New York Times bestselling author *First-century Rome: One young woman will hold the fate of an empire in her hands. Thea, a captive from Judaea, is a clever and determined survivor hiding behind a slave's docile mask. Purchased as a toy for the spoiled heiress Lepida Pollia, Thea evades her mistress's spite and hones a secret passion for music. But when Thea wins the love of Rome's newest and most savage gladiator and dares to dream of a better life, the jealous Lepida tears the lovers apart and casts Thea out. Rome offers many ways for the resourceful to survive, and Thea remakes herself as a singer for the Eternal City's glittering aristocrats. As she struggles for*

success and independence, her nightingale voice attracts a dangerous new admirer: the Emperor himself. But the passions of an all-powerful man come with a heavy price, and Thea finds herself fighting for both her soul and her destiny. Many have tried to destroy the Emperor: a vengeful gladiator, an upright senator, a tormented soldier, a Vestal Virgin. But in the end, the life of Rome's most powerful man lies in the hands of one woman: the Emperor's mistress.

The Mistress's Revenge - Tamar Cohen
2011-06-07

There's a fine line between love and hate. For five years, Sally and Clive have been lost in a passionate affair. Now he has dumped her to devote himself to his wife and family, and Sally is left in freefall. It starts with a casual stroll past his house, and popping into the brasserie where his son works. Then Sally starts following Clive's wife and daughter on Facebook. But that's alright, isn't it? These are perfectly normal things to do. Aren't they? Not since Fatal

Attraction has the fallout from an illicit affair been exposed in such a sharp, darkly funny, and disturbing way: *The Mistress's Revenge* is a truly exciting fiction debut. After all, who doesn't know an otherwise sane woman who has gone a little crazy when her heart was broken? "A cracking debut. . . very Fatal Attraction with a clever twist at the end. Addictive stuff." —The Bookseller
Mistress Matchett's mistake - Emma Marshall
1887

I Am Having So Much Fun Here Without You - Courtney Maum 2014-06-10
A romance in reverse is set in Paris and London and follows an artist's attempts to fall back in love with his wife after the end of his affair, an effort that is challenged by the sale of a personal painting and his wife's discovery of his infidelity. A first novel.
The Tycoon's Pregnant Mistress - Maya Banks
2009-01-01

Greek hotel magnate Chrysander Anetakis's former mistress was pregnant? And had amnesia? That meant Marley Jameson didn't remember betraying him by selling company secrets. Or that he'd thrown her out of his life. So he told her a little white lie: they were engaged. Then he swept her away to his Greek island to await the birth of his baby and enjoy her sudden devotion...before tossing her out. But he didn't count on Marley regaining her memory so soon.

Midnight Mistress - Ruth Owen 2014-02-18
When lovers are reunited in Ruth Owen's irresistible historical romance, unexpected passions, accusations, and temptations flare hotter than ever. At a dazzling New Year's Eve ball, Lady Juliana Dare is thrilled to finally meet the mysterious privateer known only as the Archangel. For months his breathtaking escapades against Napoleon's fleet have been the talk of London. So Juliana is utterly shocked when she recognizes the pale blue eyes of the

man who betrayed her trust and broke her spirit. Now Juliana plans to expose the truth: England's hero is nothing more than a common fraud. Connor Reed cannot allow any lingering feelings of tenderness for Juliana to interfere with his carefully orchestrated mission. He may have hurt her long ago, but the Archangel is more important than any petty squabble. Now Connor must stop her from revealing his identity, even if it means silencing Juliana with seduction—and reviving an affair that once consumed his heart and soul.

Yours Cruelly, Elvira - Cassandra Peterson
2021-09-21

The woman behind the icon known as Elvira, Mistress of the Dark, the undisputed Queen of Halloween, reveals her full story filled with intimate bombshells—told by the bombshell herself. On Good Friday in 1953, at only 18 months old, 25 miles from the nearest hospital in Manhattan, Kansas, Cassandra Peterson reached for a pot on the stove and doused herself in

boiling water. Third-degree burns covered 35% of her body, and the prognosis wasn't good. But she survived. Burned and scarred, the impact stayed with her and became an obstacle she was determined to overcome. Feeling like a misfit led to her love of horror. While her sisters played with Barbie dolls, Cassandra built model kits of Frankenstein and Dracula, and idolized Vincent Price. Due to a complicated relationship with her mother, Cassandra left home at 14, and by age 17 she was performing at the famed Dunes Hotel in Las Vegas. Run-ins with the likes of Frank Sinatra, Sammy Davis Jr., and Tom Jones helped her grow up fast. Then a chance encounter with her idol Elvis Presley, changed the course of her life forever, and led her to Europe where she worked in film and traveled Italy as lead singer of an Italian pop band. She eventually made her way to Los Angeles, where she joined the famed comedy improv group, The Groundlings, and worked alongside Phil Hartman and Paul "Pee-wee" Reubens, honing her comedic skills.

Nearing age 30, a struggling actress considered past her prime, she auditioned at local LA channel KHJ as hostess for the late night vintage horror movies. Cassandra improvised, made the role her own, and got the job on the spot. Yours Cruelly, Elvira is an unforgettably wild memoir. Cassandra doesn't shy away from revealing exactly who she is and how she overcame seemingly insurmountable odds. Always original and sometimes outrageous, her story is loaded with twists, travails, revelry, and downright shocking experiences. It is the candid, often funny, and sometimes heart-breaking tale of a Midwest farm girl's long strange trip to become the world's sexiest, sassiest Halloween icon. Instant New York Times Bestseller, Los Angeles Times Bestseller, USA Today Bestseller, Publishers Weekly Bestseller A New York Times Best Books to Give This Season selection
[The Billionaire's Favorite Mistake](#) - Jessica Clare
2016-06-21
A hot one night stand between friends might

spark true love in the latest Billionaires and Bridesmaids novel from the New York Times bestselling author of Billionaire Takes a Bride. Greer has always been there for Asher, but she wishes she could break through her shyness and show how much she truly loves him. But after a steamy, mindless fling at Hunter and Gretchen's engagement party, Greer finds herself tossed aside and forced to admit that you can't love someone who doesn't acknowledge you exist. It's a shame he got her pregnant. After his fiancée betrayed him and tanked his business in one fell swoop, Asher has spent his time trying to rebuild his wealth and forget the past. But he doesn't understand why Greer blew him off after their night together—until he catches a glimpse of her belly. Now Asher is willing to do whatever it takes to convince Greer she belongs with him. And he's very skilled at the art of persuasion. Praise for the Billionaire Boys Club novels "Great storytelling...delightful reading...It's fun and oh so hot."—Kirkus Reviews "Blazing

hot.”—USA Today

The Margot Affair - Sanaë Lemoine 2020-06-16

A NEW YORK TIMES EDITORS' CHOICE The secret daughter of a French politician and a famous actress drops the startling revelation that will shatter her family in this beguiling debut novel of intrigue and betrayal. NAMED ONE OF SUMMER'S BEST BOOKS BY The Skimm • Marie Claire • LitHub • Subway Book Review • Paperback Paris Margot Louve is a secret: the child of a longstanding affair between an influential French politician with presidential ambitions and a prominent stage actress. This hidden family exists in stolen moments in a small Parisian apartment on the Left Bank. It is a house of cards that Margot—fueled by a longing to be seen and heard—decides to tumble. The summer of her seventeenth birthday, she meets the man who will set her plan in motion: a well-regarded journalist whose trust seems surprisingly easy to gain. But as Margot is drawn into an adult world she struggles to

comprehend, she learns how one impulsive decision can threaten a family's love with ruin, shattering the lives of those around her in ways she could never have imagined. Exposing the seams between private lives and public faces, *The Margot Affair* is a novel of deceit, desire, and transgression—and the exhilarating knife-edge upon which the danger of telling the truth outweighs the cost of keeping secrets.

The Queen's Mistake - Diane Haeger
2009-10-06

From the author of *The Secret Bride*, the tragic tale of the fifth wife of Henry VIII. When the young and beautiful Catherine Howard becomes the fifth wife of the fifty-year-old King Henry VIII, she seems to be on top of the world. Yet her reign is destined to be brief and heartbreaking, as she is forced to do battle with enemies far more powerful and calculating than she could have ever anticipated in a court where one wrong move could mean her undoing. Wanting only love, Catherine is compelled to deny her

heart's desire in favor of her family's ambition. But in so doing, she unwittingly gives those who sought to bring her down a most effective weapon—her own romantic past. *The Queen's Mistake* is the tragic tale of one passionate and idealistic woman who struggles to negotiate the intrigue of the court and the yearnings of her heart.

Spymistress - William Stevenson 2011-10-11
The New York Times Bestseller by the Author of *A Man Called Intrepid* Ideal for fans of Nancy Wake, Virginia Hall, *The Last Goodnight* by Howard Blum, *The Woman Who Smashed Codes*, *The Wolves at the Door* by Judith Pearson, and similar works Shares the story of Vera Atkins, legendary spy and holder of the Legion of Honor Written by William Stevenson, the only person whom she trusted to write her biography She was stunning. She was ruthless. She was brilliant and had a will of iron. Born Vera Maria Rosenberg in Bucharest, she became Vera Atkins. William Sthenson, the spymaster who

would later be known as “Intrepid”, recruited her when she was twenty-three. Vera spent most of the 1930s running too many dangerous espionage missions to count. When war was declared in 1939, her many skills made her one of the leaders of the Special Operations Executive (SOE), a covert intelligence agency formed by, and reporting to, Winston Churchill. She trained and recruited hundreds of agents, including dozens of women. Their job was to seamlessly penetrate deep behind the enemy lines. As General Dwight D. Eisenhower said, the fantastic exploits and extraordinary courage of the SOE agents and the French Resistance fighters “shortened the war by many months.” They are celebrated, as they should be. But Vera Atkins’s central role has been hidden until after she died; William Stevenson promised to wait and publish her story posthumously. Now, Vera Atkins can be celebrated and known for the hero she was: the woman whose beauty, intelligence, and unwavering dedication proved

key in turning the tide of World War II.

Mistress by Midnight - Nicola Cornick

2010-12-01

Merryn Fenner is on a mission to ruin the Duke of Farne. A beautiful bluestocking with a penchant for justice, Merryn has waited ten years to satisfy her revenge against sensual, mysterious Garrick Northesk. Her family name had been tarnished at his hands, her life destroyed. And now she intends to return the favor—by finding the true heir to the duke's title and disinheriting Garrick. Yet when a disaster traps Merryn and Garrick together, white-hot desire stirs between the two sworn enemies. Her reputation utterly compromised, Merryn is forced to do the one thing she cannot bear: accept the scandalous marriage proposal of the man she has vowed to ruin.

Mistress No More - Niobia Bryant 2013-08-27

Jessa Bell shocked the hell out of her three best friends when she announced she was having an affair with one of their husbands - then refused

to say which one. She'd been revelling in watching them self-destruct. But now, caught between an ex-lover who won't let her go and a new lover who's more than happy to, Jessa's ready to confront the ladies, reveal the truth and move on. Maybe her stunt will even send her latest married man back into her arms for good. But she'll soon find out revenge isn't just sweet - it can be deadly.

The Ask and the Answer - Patrick Ness

2010-10-18

Part two of the literary sci-fi thriller follows a boy and a girl who are caught in a warring town where thoughts can be heard - and secrets are never safe. Reaching the end of their flight in *The Knife of Never Letting Go*, Todd and Viola did not find healing and hope in Haven. They found instead their worst enemy, Mayor Prentiss, waiting to welcome them to New Prentisstown. There they are forced into separate lives: Todd to prison, and Viola to a house of healing where her wounds are treated.

Soon Viola is swept into the ruthless activities of the Answer, while Todd faces impossible choices when forced to join the mayor's oppressive new regime. In alternating narratives the two struggle to reconcile their own dubious actions with their deepest beliefs. Torn by confusion and compromise, suspicion and betrayal, can their trust in each other possibly survive?

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Scandal Is Only The Beginning. . . Charlotte Fallon let her guarded virtue fall once--and she's paid dearly for it ever since. She swore she'd never succumb to men's desires again. But even a village spinster's life miles from temptation can't save her from a sister with no shame whatsoever. Or a heart that longs for more, whatever the cost. . . Sir Michael Bayard found more than he expected in his bed when he finally joined his new mistress. He'd fantasized about her dewy skin and luscious curves, assured her understanding that what passed between them

was mere dalliance. But he didn't expect the innocence and heat of her response in his arms. Nor her surprisingly sharp tongue once she was out of them. . . A few days of abandon cannot undo the hard-learned lessons of a lifetime. Nor can an honest passion burn away the restraints of society's judgments. Unless, of course, one believes in nonsense like true love. . . First comes seduction. . . As children, Desmond Ryland, Marquess of Conover, and Laurette Vincent were inseparable. As young adults, their friendship blossomed into love. But then fate intervened, sending them down different paths. Years later, Con still can't forget his beautiful Laurette. Now he's determined to make her his forever. There's just one problem. Laurette keeps refusing his marriage proposals. Throwing honor to the wind, Con decides that the only way Laurette will wed him is if he thoroughly seduces her. . . Then comes marriage. . . Laurette's pulse still quickens every time she thinks of Con and the scorching passion they

once shared. She aches to taste the pleasure Con offers her. But she knows she can't. For so much has happened since they were last lovers. But how long can she resist the consuming desire that demands to be obeyed. . .? Praise for Maggie Robinson's *Mistress by Mistake* "Sizzles off the page." --Anna Campbell Too late for cold feet Baron Edward Christie prided himself on his reputation for even temperament and reserve. That was before he met Caroline Parker. Wedding a scandalous beauty by special license days after they met did not inspire respect for his sangfroid. Moving her to a notorious lovebirds' nest as punishment for her flighty nature was perhaps also a blow. And of course talk has gotten out of his irresistible clandestine visits. Christie must put his wife aside—if only he can get her out of his blood first. Too hot to refuse. . . Caroline Parker was prepared to hear the worst: that her husband had determined to divorce her, spare them both the torture of passion they can neither tame nor escape. But

his plan is wickeder than any she's ever heard. Life as his wife is suffocating. But she cannot resist becoming her own husband's mistress. . . "A very talented debut author." —Romance Junkies Praise for Maggie Robinson's *Mistress by Mistake* "Sizzles off the page." —Anna Campbell

Mistress by Mistake - Susan Gee Heino
2009-12-01

Lord Dashford has decided to ward off the marriage-minded by convincing the world he's throwing away his fortune. No matter, since heiress Evaline Pinchley, dragged to the Dashford estate, has no inclination to marry him. Unfortunately, she fails to recognize her host when he begins to seduce her. An empty bottle later, Evaline wakes to find herself in Dashford's bed. Now rumors and passions are sure to run wild unless Dashford and Evaline realize that what happened by moonlight was no mistake.

Master of Sin - Maggie Robinson 2011-10-24
Flying from sin. . . Andrew Rossiter has used his

gorgeous body and angelic face for all they're worth--shocking the proper, seducing the willing, and pleasuring the wealthy. But with a tiny son depending on him for rescue, suddenly discretion is far more important than desire. He'll have to bury his past and quench his desires--fast. And he'll have to find somewhere his deliciously filthy reputation hasn't yet reached. . . .into seduction Miss Gemma Peartree seems like a plain, virginal governess. True, she has a sharp wit and a sharper tongue, but handsome Mr. Ross wouldn't notice Gemma herself. Or so she hopes. No matter how many sparks fly between them, she has too much to hide to catch his eye. But with the storms of a Scottish winter driving them together, it will be hard enough to keep her secrets. Keeping her hands to herself might prove entirely impossible. . . Praise for Maggie Robinson's Novels "Deliciously wicked." --Romance Junkies (5 stars) on Mistress by Midnight "A fun read that will keep you turning pages into the night." --Affaire

de Coeur (4.5 stars) on Mistress by Mistake [The Major's Mistake \(Scandalous Secrets Series, Book 3\)](#) - Andrea Pickens 2013-08-01

Seven years ago, a malicious lie caused Lady Miranda Grosvenor's husband, the Marquess of Sterling, to cast her off. Shunned by Society, Miranda lives as a recluse until Sterling returns home from war and discovers he has a young son. As an uneasy truce begins, Sterling and Miranda must confront their shared past—and the unexpected reawakening of their passion. AWARDS: RT Magazine "Top Pick" REVIEWS: "...richly textured characterization for our reading pleasure." ~RT magazine SCANDALOUS SECRETS SERIES, in order The Banished Bride Lady of Letters The Major's Mistake LESSONS IN LOVE, in series order The Defiant Governess Second Chances The Storybook Hero **Married By Mistake!** - Renee Roszel 2011-07-15

The wedding pretense... When Lucy Crosby's ex-fiancé came to town, parading his new bride-to-

be for all the world to see, she longed to wipe the smug smile off his face once and for all. But presenting the disturbingly attractive Jack Gallagher as her own new fiancé was definitely not what Lucy had in mind. Nor was undergoing a fake wedding ceremony—another of stepbrother Jack's bright ideas. His performance as her doting husband was certainly inspired—he even had Lucy half convinced he was in love with her. But had the whole pretense been a mistake? Because now that they were on their fake honeymoon, Lucy found herself suddenly wishing it was all for real!

ENCHANTED BRIDES— Wanted: three dream husbands for three loving sisters. "The D'Amour myth and an absolutely wonderful heroine make this story superb." —Rendezvous on To Marry a Stranger

The Mistress of Auschwitz - Terrance Williamson 2019-08-27

Based on the harrowing life of Eleonore Hodys, The Mistress of Auschwitz follows the true story

of a political prisoner detained in the notorious concentration camp. While experiencing all the horrors of the holocaust, Eleonore turns to friendship for survival. Through companionship with another female prisoner, Eleonore must decide if she has the courage to join the resistance movement which is planning the overthrow of their wicked oppressors. Matters are only complicated when Eleonore unwittingly attracts the attention of the Commandant and she is forced to decide between her own comfort or her principles.

Her Pleasure - Niobia Bryant 2021-06-29
National bestselling author Niobia Bryant serves up a scorchingly sexy and scandalous novel about finding love, reigniting passion, keeping secrets—and way too many incendiary lies . . . After surviving a shattering betrayal by a former friend, Jaime Pine has every reason to celebrate. Stronger and savvier after her “perfect” marriage crashed-and-burned, Jaime now has Luc, a billionaire music mogul willing to give her

everything, including a dazzling career, and what looks like a forever happily-ever-after. Until a no-limits island vacation with her best friends turns up the last person Jaime ever expected to see again . . . Unforgettable Graham Walker, aka “Pleasure,” is an ex-escort skilled at mind-blowing sex. But now, after coming to terms with his own troubled past, Graham is a changed man. And Jaime finds him more irresistible than ever. Yet after one last no-holds-barred night together and a connection that can’t be denied, Jaime decides to finally put Graham in the past and move on with her new life as planned. She accepts Luc's proposal of marriage—and then discovers she's pregnant. Torn and confused, Jaime spins a desperate web of half-truths and lies-of-omission to protect both men—and herself—as she struggles to choose her path. But when her secrets explode in public, the choice is made for her. Can she deal with her mistakes honestly and do what’s best for everyone involved? Praise for the Mistress

series “Bryant’s loyal audience will love the generous doses of passionate sex, glamour, and revenge.” —Publishers Weekly “The latest in Bryant’s Mistress series serves up plenty of drama and shock.” —Booklist “Enthralls to the last twist.” —RT Book Reviews “A fast-paced, sexy romp.” —APOOO Book Club

Mistress by Midnight - Maggie Robinson
2011-01-01

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Mistress of the Ritz - Melanie Benjamin

2020-05-26

A captivating novel based on the story of the extraordinary real-life American woman who secretly worked for the French Resistance during World War II—while playing hostess to the invading Germans at the iconic Hôtel Ritz in Paris—from the New York Times bestselling author of *The Aviator's Wife* and *The Swans of Fifth Avenue*. “A compelling portrait of a marriage and a nation at war from within.”—Kate Quinn, author of *The Alice Network* Nothing bad can happen at the Ritz; inside its gilded walls every woman looks

beautiful, every man appears witty. Favored guests like Ernest Hemingway, F. Scott Fitzgerald, Coco Chanel, and the Duke and Duchess of Windsor walk through its famous doors to be welcomed and pampered by Blanche Auzello and her husband, Claude, the hotel's director. The Auzellos are the mistress and master of the Ritz, allowing the glamour and glitz to take their minds off their troubled marriage, and off the secrets that they keep from their guests—and each other. Until June 1940, when the German army sweeps into Paris, setting up headquarters at the Ritz. Suddenly, with the likes of Hermann Goering moving into suites once occupied by royalty, Blanche and Claude must navigate a terrifying new reality. One that entails even more secrets and lies. One that may destroy the tempestuous marriage between this beautiful, reckless American and her very proper Frenchman. For in order to survive—and strike a blow against their Nazi “guests”—Blanche and Claude must spin a web

of deceit that ensnares everything and everyone they cherish. But one secret is shared between Blanche and Claude alone—the secret that, in the end, threatens to imperil both of their lives, and to bring down the legendary Ritz itself. Based on true events, *Mistress of the Ritz* is a taut tale of suspense wrapped up in a love story for the ages, the inspiring story of a woman and a man who discover the best in each other amid

the turbulence of war. Praise for *Mistress of the Ritz* “No one writes of the complexities of women’s lives and loves like Melanie Benjamin. In *Mistress of the Ritz*, Benjamin brings wartime Paris brilliantly to life. . . . Intense, illuminating, and ultimately inspiring!”—Elizabeth Letts, New York Times bestselling author of *Finding Dorothy*