

## Dinner Party Book

The official publication celebrating Judy Chicago's feminist art masterpiece, The Dinner Party installation at the Brooklyn Museum, and an introduction to outstanding women in history. Judy Chicago's The Dinner Party is a defining work of feminist and contemporary art that brought women's history to light on the national stage when it was completed in 1979. Published to coincide with Chicago's 75th birthday and a nationwide series of events and exhibitions, the book features newly commissioned photography and two new essays by Chicago, along with essays by art historian Frances Borzello and historian Jane Gerhard, and a foreword from museum director Arnold Lehman. The Dinner Party, a monumental triangular table, and the Heritage Floor on which the table rests, represents 1,038 women in history—39 by unique large ceramic plates and runners with another 999 names inscribed on the floor's ceramic tiles. It has been seen by more than a million visitors during its international exhibition tour, and has been a principal destination at the Brooklyn Museum since its permanent housing in 2007. A perfect companion to a revolutionary artwork, the book is a must-have for both long-standing fans of Judy Chicago's oeuvre and young artists and women looking for reflections of themselves in the history of Western Civilization.

**LONGLISTED FOR THE 2018 MAN BOOKER INTERNATIONAL PRIZE** The Dinner Guest is Gabriela Ybarra's prizewinning literary debut: a singular autobiographical novel piecing together the kidnap and murder of her grandfather by terrorists, reflecting on the personal impact of private pain and public tragedy. The story goes that in my family there's an extra dinner guest at every meal. He's invisible, but always there. He has a plate, glass, knife and fork. Every so often he appears, casts his shadow over the table, and erases one of those present. The first to vanish was my grandfather. In 1977, three terrorists broke into Gabriela Ybarra's grandfather's home, and pointed a gun at him in the shower. This was the last time his family saw him alive, and his kidnapping played out in the press, culminating in his murder. Ybarra first heard the story when she was eight, but it was only after her mother's death, years later, that she felt the need to go deeper and discover more about her family's past. The Dinner Guest is a novel, with the feel of documentary non-fiction. It connects two life-changing events – the very public death of Ybarra's grandfather, and the more private pain as her mother dies from cancer and Gabriela cares for her. Devastating yet luminous, the book is an investigation, marking the arrival of a talented new voice in international fiction.

"This eccentrically enjoyable book by two strange and wonderful women may well be the cookbook America needs right now."  
—Anthony Bourdain First released as a paperback in 2009, this is still the cookbook America needs: a frank, empowering guide to dining at home with friends. How to Throw a Dinner Party Without Having a Nervous Breakdown is the collected wisdom of self-taught cooks and NYC supper-club hosts. It includes: · more than 50 party-tested recipes · nine complete menus for skill levels from never-touched-a-knife to ambitious thrill seeker · a "Plan of Attack" for each menu, to help you prepare multiple dishes without panic · realistic wine recommendations · practical tips on stocking a kitchen, making vegetarians happy and plenty more Dinner parties can break all the rules and still be great. In fact, they're even better when they're personal, honest and a little

messy. So grab this book, get in the kitchen and show your friends you love them!

Judy Chicago's monumental art installation *The Dinner Party* was an immediate sensation when it debuted in 1979, and today it is considered the most popular work of art to emerge from the second-wave feminist movement. Jane F. Gerhard examines the piece's popularity to understand how ideas about feminism migrated from activist and intellectual circles into the American mainstream in the last three decades of the twentieth century. More than most social movements, feminism was transmitted and understood through culture—art installations, *Ms. Magazine*, *All in the Family*, and thousands of other cultural artifacts. But the phenomenon of cultural feminism came under extraordinary criticism in the late 1970s and 1980s. Gerhard analyzes these divisions over whether cultural feminism was sufficiently activist in light of the shifting line separating liberalism from radicalism in post-1970s America. She concludes with a chapter on the 1990s, when *The Dinner Party* emerged as a target in political struggles over public funding for the arts, even as academic feminists denounced the piece for its alleged essentialism. The path that *The Dinner Party* traveled—from inception (1973) to completion (1979) to tour (1979-1989) to the permanent collection of the Brooklyn Museum (2007)—sheds light on the history of American feminism since 1970 and on the ways popular feminism in particular can illuminate important trends and transformations in the broader culture.

Celebrate your love of Disney with this gorgeous guide to creating magical and memorable events. Does your best friend love *The Little Mermaid*? Is your Lion King-obsessed sister hosting a baby shower? Would your family movie night benefit from a little Aladdin magic? This is the party planning guide for you! *Entertaining With Disney* is the only official Disney guide to exceptional events ranging from Halloween pumpkin carving, elegant dinner parties, fun birthday bashes, and sophisticated New Year eve soirees. Written by party planning expert Amy Croushorn, this is a must-have event planning guide for Disney Princesses of all ages. — Over 90 years of Disney Inspiration in One Book. From Mickey Mouse to *The Little Mermaid*, to *Frozen*, this book is rich with Disney history and beloved characters. — A party for every occasion. With ideas spanning Brunches, Barbecues, Birthdays and Dinner Parties, this is a true year-round event planning guide for all Disney fans. — Elegant Recipes. Learn how to make Ariel's Ocean Toast, Simba's Charcuterie Board, Elsa's Eggnog and many more Disney themed dishes, drinks, and desserts. — Stunning Decorations. Parties are more than just food! Dress up your event with easy to make items such as a "Never Grow Up" party backdrop, Magic Carpet Picnic Blanket, and a Maleficent Welcome Wreath.

Howard Fast's 1987 New York Times bestseller, a tight political drama that remains just as relevant today as when it was first written. Fast's 1987 novel *The Dinner Party* confronts issues including American intervention in Latin America and the AIDS epidemic. Often compared to a play, *The Dinner Party* takes place during a single day, culminating in a party hosted by Richard Cromwell, a US Senator whose wealthy entrepreneur father-in-law is building a controversial highway across Central America, though powerful government interests want the highway stopped. International politics become deeply personal in this novel, and unfailingly serve as a commentary on contemporary politics. This ebook features an illustrated biography of Howard Fast including rare photos from the author's estate.

Everyone's an exhibitionist in disguise... When lonely divorcée Jade seeks to broaden her horizons, she's invited to a private dinner event which promises to stimulate all of her senses. Wearing nothing but masquerade masks, dinner guests receive special service under the table while their fellow diners look on. Intrigued, Jade books an appointment and on the scheduled date drives to a private countryside villa. Greeted by a stunning nude hostess, she's escorted to a personal spa where she's sensually prepped for the main event. By the time dinner is set to begin, Jade is already at a fever pitch of excitement. During the feast, she watches with increasing arousal as an exotic mix of naked men and women are serviced by mysterious sensualists. When her turn finally arrives, Jade is aching in anticipation of what surprises lie in wait while eight strangers watch her have the erotic experience of her life...

Learn to make extraordinarily delicious and modern vegetarian and vegan dishes that everyone will love with the help of two critically acclaimed, omnivore food writers. If you're inclined to throw a dinner party, you probably do what most folks do: you make a few sides and maybe a salad, ask someone to bring dessert, and put a hunk of meat in the middle of the table, like the roast beast in *The Grinch*. But what about vegetables? Living in a meat-centric world, most of us simply don't know how to cobble together a series of vegetarian dishes that work together to create a perfect dinner party. Why? Because vegetarian cooking for dinner parties is not part of the American culinary lexicon, until now. Bruce Weinstein and Mark Scarbrough take you by the hand and teach you not only how to make vegetarian and vegan dishes that everyone will love—from sweet pea samosas to warm vegan donuts, stews, braises, pastas, and more—but also how to actually build dinner parties starting with flavors, seasonality and availability, and even time and skill. Each recipe in *Vegetarian Dinner Parties*, which can certainly stand on its own, will be complemented by a wine or drink matching, and instructions for how to place the finished dish in the choreography of a 3-course dinner party.

The Dinner Party A Novel Macmillan

Two couples meet over dinner to discuss their children who misbehaved, but avoid doing so.

Introducing the perfect entertaining and party planning journal for today's hosts. *The Dinner Party Diary* is a wonderful tool for creating memorable events because it combines the best of planning ahead while looking back. Use it to organize key components for your next soiree and to recall important lessons from parties past. Personalize your parties by keeping an ongoing record of guests adorations and aversions. And record those things that went spectacularly well, and those that aren't worth your time and effort to repeat. With *The Dinner Party Diary*, you'll always enjoy hosting, and you'll never miss an opportunity to celebrate. *The Dinner Party Diary* will help you:

- Record lessons from parties past
- Plan fabulous menus and drink pairings
- Note guests aversions and adorations
- Create perfect seating arrangements
- Coordinate centerpieces, music and decor
- Schedule never-miss timetables
- Remember last-minute essentials
- Organize vendor contacts
- Preserve favorite recipes
- Cherish memorable moments

Take a peek inside and read the

latest buzz at [www.thedinnerpartydiary.com](http://www.thedinnerpartydiary.com)

A woman's death is apparently from natural causes.....but is something more sinister at play? What was to be the grand finale of a neighborhood traveling dinner party ends in tragedy just as the evening's final toast is given. Was the death actually caused by foul play? Desperate to find the truth, the deceased woman's husband reaches out to Jennifer Temple, a stay-at-home mother and private investigator in training, for help. Jennifer encounters a cast of wicked characters as she seeks to find answers. If she doesn't solve the case, her career may be dead before it even starts.

Death at a Dinner Party is book three in the Jennifer Temple Cozy Mystery series Order your copy today! Book 1: Red Picket Fences Book 2: Body in the Begonias Book 3: Death at a Dinner Party Book 4: Death at Rugosa Bay (May 2021)

The Donner Party expedition is one of the most notorious stories in all of American history. It's also a fascinating snapshot of the westward expansion of the United States, and the families and individuals who sacrificed so much to build new lives in a largely unknown landscape. From the preparation for the journey to each disastrous leg of the trip, this book shows the specific bad decisions that led to the party's predicament in the Sierra Nevada Mountains. The graphic novel focuses on the struggles of the Reed family to tell the true story of the catastrophic journey. This popular topic is a perfect addition to the Nathan Hale's Hazardous Tales brand, and a great showcase for Hale's storytelling skills. Praise for Nathan Hale's Hazardous Tales: Donner Dinner Party "This informative graphic novel capitalizes on enticingly gross history to great effect, balancing raw facts with strong storytelling." --Booklist Awards YALSA's Great Graphic Novels for Teens List 2014 New York Public Library's list: Children's Books list: 100 Titles for Reading and Sharing 2013 Notable Social Studies Trade Books for Young People 2014

THE SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLER 'Immensely gripping...Stayed up till past 2am to finish this' Sophie Hannah Four people walked into the dining room that night. One would never leave.

An array of recipes and entertaining ideas for hosting Thanksgiving dinners and parties.

Recommends ingredients and equipment to have on hand, and shares menus of side dish, main dish, and dessert that are unusual, but economical and simple to prepare

A completely revised and updated edition of the top-selling book from one of the leading beauty and fashion magazines, InStyle Parties is the must-have resource for anyone looking to host chic parties without stress or guesswork. The editors of InStyle offer their expert advice on hosting any type of celebration. Whether a baby shower, dinner gathering, or holiday affair, you'll discover how to transform your tabletop to fit the theme, get ideas for the perfect invitations, and learn the shortcuts of posh party prep. Each chapter has a menu of recipes-including a signature cocktail-a timeline of what preparation to do when to make the day-of a breeze, and a party favor or activity to keep guests entertained. This

elegant, full-color book is sure to inspire and help any hostess throw a stylish at-home party right down to the napkins! Welcome to a dinner party in heaven. With a charming blend of imagination and historical detail, the bestselling author of *365 Saints* invites you to get to know the saints in food and fellowship. Hinting at one of the traditional images of heaven, the Banquet or Marriage Feast of the Lamb (Revelation 9:9), the author gathers fourteen holy souls, enabling you to better understand what they were like on earth. Combining fictional narrative, fascinating biographies, and mouth-watering dinner party recipes, the book offers a resource for families and other groups to celebrate saints spanning the history of the Church, and to better understand the "people behind the halos."

The summer of 1972, before I turned nine, danger began knocking on doors all over China. Nine-year-old Ling has a very happy life. Her parents are both dedicated surgeons at the best hospital in Wuhan, and her father teaches her English as they listen to Voice of America every evening on the radio. But when one of Mao's political officers moves into a room in their apartment, Ling begins to witness the gradual disintegration of her world. In an atmosphere of increasing mistrust and hatred, Ling fears for the safety of her neighbors, and soon, for herself and her family. For the next four years, Ling will suffer more horrors than many people face in a lifetime. Will she be able to grow and blossom under the oppressive rule of Chairman Mao? Or will fighting to survive destroy her spirit—and end her life? *Revolution Is Not a Dinner Party* is a 2008 Bank Street - Best Children's Book of the Year.

Offers advice on entertaining and includes recipes for soups, salads, terrines, pasta, stews, seafood, barbecues, vegetables, breads, and desserts

A New York Times Book Review Notable Book of the Year: The first collection of short stories from the critically acclaimed, prize-winning author of *To Rise Again at a Decent Hour* These eleven stories by Joshua Ferris, many of which were first published in *The New Yorker*, are at once thrilling, strange, and comic. The modern tribulations of marriage, ambition, and the fear of missing out as the temptations flow like wine and the minutes of life tick down are explored with the characteristic wit and insight that have made Ferris one of our most critically acclaimed novelists. Each of these stories burrows deep into the often awkward and hilarious misunderstandings that pass between strangers and lovers alike, and that turn ordinary lives upside down. Ferris shows to what lengths we mortals go to coax human meaning from our very modest time on earth, an effort that skews ever-more desperately in the direction of redemption. There's Arty Groys, the Florida retiree whose birthday celebration involves pizza, a prostitute, and a life-saving heart attack. There's Sarah, the Brooklynite whose shape-shifting existential dilemma is set in motion by a simple spring breeze. And there's Jack, a man so warped by past experience that he's incapable of having a normal social interaction with the man he hires to help him move out of storage. The stories in *The Dinner Party* are about lives changed forever

when the reckless gives way to possibility and the ordinary cedes ground to mystery. And each one confirms Ferris's reputation as one of the most dazzlingly talented, deeply humane writers at work today.

Quirky cookbook containing easy, disgrace-free recipes for dinner parties that all can follow. Despite a lack of gravitas, the recipes contained within the book are serious.

This Passover Seder is not just any Passover Seder. Yes, there will be a quick service and a festive meal afterwards, but this night is different from all other nights. This will be the night the Golds of Greenwich meet the Rothschilds of New York City. The Rothschilds are the stuff of legends, and when Sylvia finds out that her youngest of three is going to bring her new boyfriend to the Seder, she's giddy. When she finds out that his parents are coming, too, she darn near faints. Making a good impression is all she thinks about. Well, almost. She still has to consider her other daughter, Sarah, who'll be coming with her less than appropriate beau and his overly dramatic Italian mother. But the drama won't stop there. Because despite the food and the wine, despite the new linen and the fresh flowers, the holidays are about family. Long forgotten memories come to the surface. Old grievances play out. And Sylvia Gold has to learn how to let her family go. "Thank you," I say sweetly when she tells me I'm lucky to have such a beautiful family. But I want to tell her it's not just luck. A family is like a fortress you have to defend all the time. You can't relax because there's always someone looking for a breach, always someone trying to get in. Someone just like her... When I arrive unannounced at my husband's studio in need of a shoulder to cry on after hearing that my best student, Alex, has died, I see a pair of wineglasses drying by the sink and my deepest fear is confirmed: my husband is having an affair. Most women would fall to their knees in tears and throw him out of the house—but I just can't bring myself to do it. Instead, I go home and cook a healthy dinner for our children, walk the dog and unload the dishwasher without complaint. I will make him see that I'm still the woman he married; attractive, successful, the glue that holds our perfect family together. I need this marriage to work to protect a terrible secret of my own, something that would destroy everything I've already sacrificed so much for. But when the police arrive at my door asking questions about Alex's death that I can't answer, and threatening text messages start appearing on my phone, I know that someone close has been watching me very carefully. The truth is, there are three people in my marriage, but only one of them is deadly... An absolutely gripping psychological thriller with a twist that will knock you sideways, perfect for anyone left hungry for more after *The Girl on the Train*, *The Wife Between Us* or *The Other Wife*. Everyone is talking about *Unfaithful*: 'Wow just wow!! Nail-biting and suspenseful in the best way possible! What a ride!... I devoured this book in one sitting... I could feel my adrenaline surging through my veins the closer I got to the end. I was having palpitations with every twist!' Mrs Leifs, 5 stars 'WOW, where to even begin? I LOVED this book... I did NOT expect that ending... I was gripped right from the very first page... I could not put it down... YOU WILL

LOVE this book... one of my favourite books of 2020.' Goodreads reviewer, 5 stars 'Holy-freaking hell!... tense, sharp, dark, twisty and final revelation that I honestly did not expect... a delicious sucker punch!... I loved it!... your mind will be blown!' Nulifer Ozmekik 'What a ride! I LOVED it! I loved the plot, I loved the characters and I LOVED the ending! Highly recommend!' Goodreads reviewer 'I read this book in 24 hours, waking up on a Friday morning with my kindle on top of my face I immediately started reading again... Seductive, sexy, shocking... so many crazy twists in this book... 5 huge stars... I literally could not put it down.' Goodreads reviewer, 5 stars Readers love Natalie Barelli: 'OH. MY. WOW. What a fantastic book!... steal it, buy it, borrow it or do whatever you need to do to make this book your next great read!... I promise you will not be disappointed!' Goodreads reviewer, 5 stars 'Awesome!! I finished it in 24 hours... pure edge-of-your-seat suspense, along with crazy "wtf" moments... keeps you flipping pages, with an ending that you absolutely will NOT see coming.' Goodreads reviewer, 5 stars 'OMG!!!!!!... My heart was pounding! What a page-turner!!!' Goodreads reviewer, 5 stars

Spaghetti in aspic, anyone? Revel in astonishing dishes from yesteryear: Stuffed Cocktail Grapes, Savoury Sausage Salad, a spunky Shrimp-Salmon Mould and so much more. Anna Pallai was brought up on 1970s stalwarts of stuffed peppers, meatloaf and platters of slightly greying hardboiled eggs. When she rediscovered her mother's grease-stained 70s cookbooks, she knew she needed to share them with the world, and so the hit Twitter account @70s\_Party was born. Harking back to a simpler pre-Instagram, pre-clean-eating era, when the only concern for your dinner party was whether your aspic would set in time, this is a joyful celebration of food that can give you gout just by looking at it. Covering all the essentials, from starters through to desserts, dinner party etiquette (just how does one start to eat a swan fashioned from a hardboiled egg?) and the dreaded 'foreign' food, there's no potato-fashioned-as-a-stone left unturned.

A call to arms against BRUNCH... and a how-to guide for fighting back, from the hosts of the hit podcast and public radio show The Dinner Party Download. Society is under threat. The culprit? BRUNCH. Not merely a forum for overpriced eggs, brunch is a leisure-time-squandering hellscape, embodying all that is soul-killing and alienating about modern life. How to fight back? By throwing dinner parties--the cornerstone of civilized society! Dinner parties--where friends new and old share food, debate ideas, and boldly build hangovers together. If we revive the fading art of throwing dinner parties the world will be better off, and our country might heal its wounds of endless division... all without having to wait in a 9-hour line to eat toast. To that end, BRUNCH IS HELL takes hesitant hosts through every phase of throwing a great dinner party, from guest list to subpoena. Loaded with wit, celebrity advice, and tongue-in-cheek humor--plus sincere insights about how humans can be more generous to each other--BRUNCH IS HELL is a spirited guide to restoring civility, in the bestselling tradition of *Adulting*, Amy Sedaris' *I Like You: Hospitality Under the Influence*, and the Bible.

The innovative hosts of a hot-ticket underground supper club invite you to crank up your oven, break out the vino, and save the dinner party from extinction Twice a month, two veterans of the New York food world prepare a big meal in a tiny kitchen, serving heaping plates of spectacular cuisine to twenty diverse people (or more). Friends old and new at their Sunday Night Dinners supper club make spirited conversation while feasting on sumptuous cooking. Never obsessed with perfect place settings or fussy details, Zora O'Neill and Tamara Reynolds instead focus on the practical joys of down-to-earth entertaining at home. In *Forking Fantastic!*, they showcase their very best

recipes for making mouthwatering dinners-and for having the time of your life. With a healthy dose of irreverent attitude and infectious spirit, here Tamara and Zora take the pressure off and encourage us to reclaim the lost art of cooking delectable meals for the masses. Forking Fantastic! includes: foolproof, party-tested, delicious menus that are easy to master, each with a "Plan of Attack" for preparing multiple recipes without panic. practical tips on everything from shopping and stocking a kitchen to making creative vegetarian substitutions and trussing a whole lamb for spit-roasting hard-won advice from the trenches and an inside look at Tamara and Zora's own cooking disasters Food-forward but always realistic, Tamara and Zora celebrate seasonal, local ingredients while also extolling cornbread mix and the frozen pea. Quirky, funny and fresh, this book arms intimidated cooks everywhere with the courage, confidence and tools they need to have people over for the sake of food and community, not for the prize of being the best hostess on the block. A manifesto for bringing back a time-honored ritual one mind-blowing feast at a time, Forking Fantastic! makes dinner parties rock.

A NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER A WALL STREET JOURNAL BESTSELLER A USA TODAY BESTSELLER A NATIONAL

INDIEBOUND BESTSELLER From the author of *The Guest Room*, a powerful story about the ways an entire life can change in one night: A flight attendant wakes up in the wrong hotel, in the wrong bed, with a dead man - and no idea what happened. Cassandra Bowden is no stranger to hangover mornings. She's a binge drinker, her job with the airline making it easy to find adventure, and the occasional blackouts seem to be inevitable. She lives with them, and the accompanying self-loathing. When she awakes in a Dubai hotel room, she tries to piece the previous night back together, counting the minutes until she has to catch her crew shuttle to the airport. She quietly slides out of bed, careful not to aggravate her already pounding head, and looks at the man she spent the night with. She sees his dark hair. His utter stillness. And blood, a slick, still wet pool on the crisp white sheets. Afraid to call the police - she's a single woman alone in a hotel room far from home - Cassie begins to lie. She lies as she joins the other flight attendants and pilots in the van. She lies on the way to Paris as she works the first class cabin. She lies to the FBI agents in New York who meet her at the gate. Soon it's too late to come clean-or face the truth about what really happened back in Dubai. Could she have killed him? If not, who did? Set amid the captivating world of those whose lives unfold at forty thousand feet, *The Flight Attendant* unveils a spellbinding story of memory, of the giddy pleasures of alcohol and the devastating consequences of addiction, and of murder far from home.

A fun, informative guide to hosting the perfect party every time. "Every dinner party experience I've had in the last ten years at Corey's has been incredible. But practice really does make perfect and I can now honestly say there is nowhere I'd rather be in the world than at his table ... I can't begin to express the relief I felt in reading this book and realizing there was a method to his success." - Sarah Polley, from the introduction We've all been there: twenty minutes before guests arrive, and you're unsure if you've got enough wine, or enough chairs, or whether your friend is a vegetarian or a vegan. Hosting a dinner party is hard, but Corey Mintz can help. For his popular *Toronto Star* column, "Fed," he has presided over 115 dinner parties, every week opening his home to strangers and friends alike in an effort to perfect the craft of hosting. And in *How to Host a Dinner Party*, he shares everything he's learned in a hilarious handbook that will appeal to everyone — from those throwing their first dinner party to seasoned entertainers looking to enhance their skills. This book guides readers through everything they need to know about hosting, starting with the golden rule — that the goal of a dinner party is to have fun with our friends, not to show off our cooking skills. It will explain why we like to gather for dinner, when we should host, who we should invite, what we should cook, and how we should cook it. Featuring recipes, anecdotes, expert analysis, and an endless bounty of how-to tips, it is the essential guide to perfecting the art of welcoming people into your home.

Delicious but never indulgent, sweet with just the right amount of bitter, Rebecca Serle's *The Dinner List* is a romance for our times. Bon appetit! A Bustle Book Club Selection "I have five words for Rebecca Serle's *The Dinner List*: wistful, delicious, romantic, magical, love." —Gabrielle Zevin, New York Times Bestselling Author of *The Storied Life of A.J. Fikry* and *Young Jane Young* "We've been waiting for an hour." That's what Audrey says. She states it with a little bit of an edge, her words just bordering on cursive. That's the thing I think first. Not: Audrey Hepburn is at my birthday dinner, but Audrey Hepburn is annoyed." At one point or another, we've all been asked to name five people, living or dead, with whom we'd like to have dinner. Why do we choose the people we do? And what if that dinner was to actually happen? These are the questions Rebecca Serle contends with in her utterly captivating novel, *The Dinner List*, a story imbued with the same delightful magical realism as *One Day*, and the life-changing romance of *Me Before You*. When Sabrina arrives at her thirtieth birthday dinner she finds at the table not just her best friend, but also three significant people from her past, and well, Audrey Hepburn. As the appetizers are served, wine poured, and dinner table conversation begins, it becomes clear that there's a reason these six people have been gathered together.

All your friends are invited. But which of them will survive? 'Wow... This is a complete page turner. I couldn't put it down' \*\*\*\*\* Netgalley reviewer An addictive and twisty psychological thriller about the dark secrets that lie within a peaceful neighbourhood.

For more than fifty years, Jacques Pépin has chronicled his menus for parties for friends, birthdays, anniversaries, and holidays in handsome hand-illustrated books. On one side, inside a painted border featuring produce, flowers, or birds, he lists the dishes he served. On the opposite side, his guests sign their names and memorialize the occasion. For *Menus*, Jacques selected his favorite illustrations of the last half-century, where hosts can document their own celebratory meals and the wines that accompany them. With an introduction by Pépin, this dinner diary is both a practical register of what dishes were served to which guests and an invaluable archive of memories.

A charming approach to cooking, entertaining, and table-setting with all the chicness of Parisians at home. The Parisian dinner party is the ideal of entertaining chic: the style of the host, the quality of the food and wine, and the beauty of the setting. With this creative and invaluable book, Laurent Buttazoni--renowned French architect, gourmand, and celebrated host of delightful dinner parties in Paris--shares his tried and true elements for Parisian entertaining. Dispelling the myths of expense and complexity that can intimidate hosts, *Diner à la Maison* is a guide to shopping, cooking, and entertaining the Parisian way. Led by beautiful color photographs made in the author's home, the book covers the fundamental ingredients for the pantry, followed by a guide to pairing 42 menus with its own décor and table setting. From weekday hits to weekend entertaining, seasonal events, and holiday parties, each menu is accompanied by ideas for a decoration theme. For weeknight gathering, Buttazoni offers simple seasonal dishes such as Watercress Soup and French Macaroni and Cheese or Rack of Lamb with Pan Juices, Green Tabbouleh, and Lemon Tart. For a more formal dinner party a menu of Belgian Endive Salad with Pears and Blue Cheese, Duck Breast à l'Orange, and Honey Glazed Turnips or Poule au Pot, Poached Vegetables, and a luscious Berry Trifle. With a candid guide to shopping for everything from good-quality groceries to eclectic tableware, as well as creative tips on the details that make any dinner party a success (pop your champagne in the freezer before guests arrive!)--and with an introduction by style icon Sofia Coppola--this book is an essential tool for all those who want to receive family and friends at home.

Platters and Boards — Entertaining dishes and party dishes your guests will love Entertaining and party dishes from *Platters and Boards*: Celebrated author and food blogger Shelly Westerhausen shares the secrets to creating casually chic spreads anyone can make and everyone will enjoy (and envy) in her bestselling *Platters and Boards* cookbook. This visual cornucopia of a cookbook is the guide to

entertaining with effortless style. *Platters and Boards* is an inspiring resource for throwing unforgettable get-togethers: Organized by time of day, 40 contemporary arrangements are presented with gorgeous photography, easy-to-prepare recipes, suggested meat and drink pairings, and notes on preparation and presentation. Helpful advice includes: Tips on portioning Guides to picking surfaces and vessels Recommendations for pairing complementary textures and flavors A handy chart featuring board suggestions for a variety of occasions (from holiday parties to baby showers) Fans of *Cook Beautiful*, *The Art of the Cheese Plate*, *InStyle Parties*, *Magnolia Table*, and *Cravings* will love *Platters and Boards*.

From the author of *Letters of Transit*, *Reading the Rails*, and *Appalachia Spring* comes this delightful account of a journey across the People's Republic of China, in search of the men who shaped its modern history. Along the way Matthew Stevenson visits Mao's cave house in Yen'an, where Chiang was kidnapped in Xian, General Joseph Stilwell's house in Chongqing, and Sun Yat-sen's hideouts in Guangzhou and Hong Kong. Between Beijing and Hong Kong, and many places in between, Stevenson moves around by bicycle, train, and foot, allowing him to describe the places that shaped the lives of China's founders. Of Mao's cave in Yen'an, Stevenson writes: "The simple houses are dug into the side of the hill and are reached by climbing steps from the parking lot. Most have nothing more than a bed, a few chairs, a table, and a cupboard--the revolution playing out in what New Yorkers would call a 'single-room occupancy.'" *The Revolution as a Dinner Party* is a graceful book, full of observation and humor, that is perfect for one today thinking about China--either its past or future. It also an accessible history of China's last hundred years and biographies of the men at the heart of the country's many conflicts.

An all-new, never-before-published original short novel by the bestselling author of *The No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency*, about a hapless American tourist's larger-than-life comical trip to Ireland. Shortlisted for the 2015 Bollinger Everyman Wodehouse prize for comic fiction Cornelius P. "Fatty" O'Leary and his wife, Betty, plan a vacation in Ireland for his fortieth birthday, where they will tour his ancestral homeland and relax in the countryside. Almost immediately, things go terribly wrong: the seats in economy class on the plane are too small; the country hotel's dinner spread and bathroom fixtures leave much to be desired; and the down-to-earth O'Learys find their fellow guests are more than a little snobbish. In this amusing and touching portrayal of a kindly, misunderstood soul, McCall Smith has created yet another memorable character who will become an instant favorite to his many fans. An eBook short.

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