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A witty, sexy novella about a virgin widow and a rake with something to prove. Eighteen months ago, Lizzie Troutt's husband died in his mistress's bed, leaving her determined to never marry again....and unfortunately virginal. Eighteen years ago (give or take a few) the Honorable Oliver Berwick blackened his own soul, leaving him hard and resolutely single. When the chance for redemption in the form of a country house party invitation comes his way, Oliver is determined to prove himself a gentleman. Until he breaks all the codes of gentlemanly behavior...once again. The series of four friends united by power, privilege and the daring pursuit of passion comes to "a deeply romantic and satisfying end" (All About Romance). The courtesan's courtship

Pursuing a role in Parliament, Christopher Lattimar needs a virtuous marriage to make society overlook his roguish past. When beautiful disarming Ellie Parmenter offers to reform and refine him, he's too tempted to say no. Once a courtesan, Ellie knows a thing or two about polishing a diamond in the rough. She has no designs on Christopher, any man in search of a wife—but their best-laid plans begin to turn as once lessons in respectability turn to seduction . . . "A terrific love defying proper society and its staid rules. All the Hellions have found their HEA and not a single one of them were conventional, with each standing up to society's norms and expectations to right wrongs and overcome unreasonable barriers . . . Julia keeps the storyline fresh and interesting without compromising the genre!" —The Book Review List

fiery, passionate enemies-to-lovers revenge romance from a New York Times bestselling author! All her life, Miss Gladys Bell was a wallflower whose parents despaired of her ever attracting a suitor. Then she meets the man of her dreams, who said she was the woman of his. One passionate night later, Gladys awaits a marriage proposal that never comes. For Lord Medford, the ton's most notorious rake, doesn't even remember her name. Thanks to his cold-hearted callousness, Gladys lost her reputation, her dowry, and her chance at love. But now she's back, and bent on revenge. He's trifled with the wrong woman: This wallflower has taken. Once Gladys holds that damnable rake's arrogant, fickle heart in her hands... She'll crush it, just as he did to her. This time, he'll remember her name. "[A] feast of female empowerment, positive friendships, good moments, and social satire." — NPR "A jolt of electricity, a blast of fresh air—everything delightful and exciting you could want it to be." —The New York Times Book Review

Meet the Union of the Rakes—a Regency romance series inspired by the Breakfast Club and other 80s films! In the first book, a bluestocking enlists a faux suitor to land an ideal husband only to be blindsided by real desire... Lady Gwynn Wyatt is content as a wallflower, focusing on scientific pursuits rather than the complications of society matches. But when a handsome

celebrated naturalist returns from abroad, Grace wishes, for once, noticed. Her solution: to "build" the perfect man, who will court her publicly and help her catch his eye. Grace's colleague, anthropologist Sebastian Holloway, is just the blank slate she requires. To further her own research on English society, Sebastian agrees to let Grace transform him from a bespectacled, bookish academic into a dashing—albeit a fake—rake. Between secret lessons on how to be a rogue and exacting public flirtations, Grace's feelings for Sebastian grow from friendship into undeniable, inconvenient, real attraction. If only she hadn't asked him to help her marry someone else... Sebastian is in love with brilliant, beautiful Grace, but their bargain is complete, and she desires another man. Yet when he's faced with losing her forever, Sebastian will do whatever it takes to tell her the truth, even if it means risking his own future and his heart. *One of Oprah Magazine's Best Historical Romances to Read

A bankrupt woman sets out to bewitch London's noblemen by engaging them in games of chance. She soon titillates a dashing duke, who is determined to discover her secrets--and capture her heart. As a young man, Sir Gabriel Winters left behind his status as a gentleman, turning his back on his secret desires and taking a self-imposed vow of celibacy. Now he's a chaste, hardworking vicar, and his reputation is beyond reproach. But, try as he might, he's never forgotten the man he once desired or the pain of being abandoned by his first love. Edward Stanhope, the Duke of Caddonfell, is a notorious rake, delighting in scandal no matter the consequence. With a price on his head, he flees to the countryside, forced to keep his presence a secret or risk assassination. When Edward finds Gabriel on his estate, burning with fever, he cannot leave him to die, but taking him in puts them both in jeopardy. With the help of a notorious blackmailer, a society of rich and famous gentlemen who prefer gentlemen, and a kitten named Buttercup, they might just manage to save Edward's life—but the greatest threat will be to their hearts. He's got big duke energy...

The Chasing of Eleanor Vane - Sierra Simone Ajax Dartham, the Duke of Jarrell, has a prob

And that problem is his future niece-in-law. When the clever and c
Lady Eleanor Vane—understandably—runs off into the night rather
marry his horrible nephew, the Duke has a choice. Should he catch
Eleanor and return her to her fate—or make Eleanor his own instea
Duke For Hire - Nicola Davidson As her fiery clergyman father chas
away all suitors, Miss Ada Blair is resigned to spinsterhood. Yet w
she can't wed, bedding might be another matter. One man meets
requirements for a discreet and expert pleasure tutor—Jasper Mu
of Gilroy—but he insists on a very wicked contract... An Education
Pleasure - Eva Leigh As a governess to the Duke of Tarrington, Ce
Holme resigns herself to a passionless life. Except now the old duk
dead and Owen, the new duke, is very tempting—and much young
chance to give Owen an education in pleasure too enticing to refu
Duke Makes Me Feel... - Adriana Herrera Dukes and their demands
nothing new for Marena Baine-Torres. Her newfound success has
little apothecary teeming with ill-mannered aristocrats. But as tire
as they are, she needs the business. When the unflappable Duke o
storms into her shop and makes her an offer she'd be a fool to re
Marena soon finds herself on the adventure of a lifetime with a m
is as infuriating as he is intriguing. My Dirty Duke - Joanna Shupe
knows that her father's best friend, the Duke of Ravensthorpe, is
powerful man in all of London with a reputation for sin. But nothin
stop Violet from wanting to shed her wallflower ways and fulfill h
darkest, most forbidden desires...even if it means seducing a man
her age. Get ready for lost wills, broody dukes, and scorching hot
all over London in Rules for Engaging the Earl by Janna MacGregor
Constance Lysander needs a husband. Or, so society says. She's a
give birth to her late husband's child—a man who left her with zer
money, and two other wives she didn't know about. Thankfully, sh
her Aunt by her side, and the two other wives have become close
But still—with a baby on the way, her shipping business to run, an
enemy skulking about, she has no time to find the perfect match.

Jonathan, Earl of Sykeston. Returned war hero and Constance's childhood best friend, his reentry into society has been harsh. Mangled for an injury he received in the line of duty, Jonathan prefers to stay in the shadows of sight. It's the only way to keep his heart from completely crumbling. But when a missive from Constance requests his presence—to the wedding ceremony—Jonathan is on board. His feelings for Constance run deep, and he'll do anything to make her happy, though it means risking his already bruised heart. With Constance, Jonathan, and the new bride all together, it's clear the wounds—both on the surface and in the relationship—run deep. But when the nights come, their wounds begin to heal, and both come to realize that their marriage of convenience is much more than just a bargain. Praise for Janna MacGregor: "Janna MacGregor dazzles." —Eloisa James "Janna MacGregor's stories positively sparkle." —Christi Caldwell Eight years ago, Felicity, Lady Wren, married a wealthy older man in order to save her family from financial ruin. Now, widowed and free again, she yearns to experience the bright pleasures of a busy social life with the ton. She longs for romance at last and a new marriage to someone young, handsome, and charming. She fixes her interest upon a charismatic lord with a rather good reputation and dreams of changing him. Tom Russell, childhood friend of Felicity's, has never forgotten the passion that flared between them, too briefly before she chose Wren instead of him. But when she turns to him for support in her search for a new husband, he puts his own desires aside in order to be the friend she needs. Even when she enlists him in making her lord jealous, he goes along with her scheme. Tom is perhaps too selfless and good-natured for his own good. And Felicity is perhaps too much in denial about her true feelings for her dearest friend. A widow. A younger Man. And a midnight visit to the wrong bedchamber. THE LADY Lady Asherton is proper, lovely and... lost; Widowed and thirty— her engagement to an older gentleman may be her last chance to become a mother. THE RAKE The Marquess of Rockingham is gorgeous, exciting and loyal to his family. He's never met a woman he can't love.

and the world is at his feet. He is young— too young. She's engaged to his uncle. Two unlikely lovers are faced with a choice. Will they risk everything and embrace the passion of a lifetime or give in to social dictates and forever endure the ashes of regret? As the seventh son of a duke, Keran of Bristol never thought to have his own lordship. So when King Edward IV offers him a bride and a castle near the Scottish border, he is ecstatic. However, when he arrives at the country keep, he finds a widow. His Majesty's court is not the only place where intrigue resides. The widow runs the keep with an iron fist, her daughters and everyone else fear her. A quick, by chance glimpse of a young, beautiful woman has determined to meet her. Syndra of Mardoon knew that after her father's death, her stepmother would never allow her to be anything more than a servant in her own home. Threatened with the death of her friend who doesn't cooperate, she hides in the shadows while her younger half-sister is introduced to the new lord as his intended. With the scheming set forth by her stepmother already in play, Syndra is reluctant to believe that the handsome new lord can set things right at Mardoon. But the touch of Keran's lips convinces Syndra otherwise, and she finds herself surrendering to him... mind, body and soul. Publisher's Note: This historical romance is intended for adults only and contains elements of intrigue, suspense, mystery, danger, sensual themes, and power exchange. If any of these offend you, please do not purchase. Her brother's best friend might be a rake, but she's about to be his ruin. Claire is the dutiful, proper Cleveland sister, and the only one who was embroiled in a scandal. Until now. With her sister's marriage to an heir, the weight of responsibility to save her family has been lifted from her shoulders, and for the first time in her life Claire is free. A rebellion she's long denied has her acting out in ways she would never have imagined. Like chasing her brother through the dark streets of London and kissing her brother's best friend and notorious rake, Lord Nicholas. Nicholas thought he knew everything there was to know about his proper and boring younger sister. Beautiful though she might be, C

holds no allure for the worldly rogue. At least, not until he holds her in his arms. Could this passionate, daring, feisty woman be the same woman as the one in Cleveland with the simpering smiles? Even more alarming, has the woman of his heart been right in front of his eyes this whole time? Now that he's seen her true nature, he'll do anything to keep her by his side. Even if that means marrying her.

Please Note: This book was formerly titled *A Rake's Ruin*. Widely acclaimed as Naguib Mahfouz's best novel, *Midaq Alley* brings to life one of the hustling, teeming alleys of Cairo in the 1940s. From Zaita the cripple-maker to Kirsh the hedonistic cafe owner, from Abbas the barber who mistakes greed for love to Hamida who sells her soul to escape the alley, from waiters and widows to politicians, pimps, and poets, the inhabitants of Midaq vividly evoke Egypt's largest city as it teeters on the brink of change. Never has Nobel Prize-winner Mahfouz's talent for rich and luxurious storytelling been more evident than here, in his portrait of one small street as a microcosm of the world on the threshold of modernity. Everyone has plans ... until something—or someone—comes along to change them.

At thirty-five, Randall, Marquess of Reading, decides it's time to trade in his life as the 'Rake of Reading' and take a wife. This is, his reputation precedes him. When Constance meets him in the city, she's intrigued by the gentleman she thinks is a well-to-do cit with a fascination for horse racing. Determined to discover what's become of her inheritance and then return to her home and horses to live as an independent woman, she's not interested in being courted. Or is she? Eleanor Merriweather is in London for her come-out with a dream to marry her perfect knight. Having been duped by a brothel's madam on her arrival, she finds herself completely and thoroughly ruined by Charles, Earl of Wakefield. Only twenty-five, he enjoys life far too much to consider marriage, but Eleanor might be the one to change his mind on the matter—except she's in love with his brother! Since not everyone is who they seem to be, it may take a bit of horse sense for these f

on the right track in *The Love of a Rake*. Sparks abound in this sizeable new *Legendary Lovers* tale from New York Times bestselling author Nicole Jordan, in which a seductive rakehell must woo his spirited, love-shy bride while unmasking a mysterious assailant. Despite his notorious reputation, Quinn Wilde, Earl of Traherne, has mostly honorable intentions. So when beautiful Venetia Stratham boldly enters a gentlemen's club, demanding that Quinn stop courting her sister, he does what any bachelor would do: He kisses her. With her sharp wit, intoxicating passion, and surprising vulnerability, Venetia is irresistible—except for all this nonsense about threatening to show up. But when clandestine enemies make an actual attempt on the earl's life, Venetia is implicated. To save her good name, Quinn does what an honorable gentleman must do: He proposes. Thus Venetia finds herself wed to the arrogant, wickedly sensual Quinn, whose devilish ways are as legendary as his rumored skills as a lover. Yet vexingly, her body rebels against her vow to remain immune to his many charms. If only she could reform this infuriating nobleman—without diminishing his undeniable allure. As Venetia discovers that a true rake is hard to tame, Quinn faces an even greater challenge: winning his wife's fragile trust . . . while defending both their lives. Praise for *The Art of Taming a Rake* "A sweet and engaging romance with a perfect blend of adventure and mystery . . . The relationship between the two protagonists—both of whom are struggling to stay emotionally detached—is engaging verbal foreplay that captures the heat of their physical attraction. . . . Readers will yearn for the lovers to at last devote their sincere and thoughtful attention to each other."—*Publishers Weekly* (starred review) "[Jordan] adds just the right amount of danger and a large amount of passion in this well-written story."—*RT Book Reviews* "Both sensuous and emotional, this story is a true pleasure."—*BookPage* "Jordan spices up the plot of her Regency romance with an intriguing thread of danger, but longtime fans of the best-selling author needn't worry about a lack of potent passion, because Jordan also serves up plenty of the lushly sensual love scenes for

she is famous.”—Booklist Reckless rogue or man of honour? Riding Sussex beach, Alexander Ellerdine fights through the waves to rescue a young lady trapped by the tide. He's instantly captivated by her beauty and face and dauntless spirit—but as a smuggler with a tarnished reputation, Zan has nothing to offer a woman such as her. Marie-Claude is determined to unravel the mystery of her brooding rescuer. His passionate kisses are as dangerous as his reputation. The integrity in his eyes indicates he's a gentleman...but the secrets and rumours say otherwise: a rake beyond redemption... A magnate thinks he knows all the details of his late father's widow but finds that there are secrets that she shares only with him. Under a blaze of chandeliers, in London's most fashionable club, Jack Kestrel is waiting. He hasn't come to enjoy himself rich at play, he's there to uphold his family name. But first he has to get past the ice-cool owner: the beautiful Sally Bowes. And Jack wants to warm his bed—at any price! Edwardian society flocks to Sally's club, but dangerous Jack Kestrel is the most sinfully sensual rogue she's ever met. Inexperienced with men, the wicked glint in Jack's eyes promises he will take care of satisfying her every need.... Lisa Kleypas is back with a stunning new historical romance! Readers have long waited for the return of New York Times bestselling author Lisa Kleypas to historical romance—and now she's back with her most breathtaking yet. A tale of fate . . . Devon Ravenel, London's most wickedly charming rake, has just inherited an earldom. But his powerful new rank in society comes with unwanted responsibilities . . . and more than a few surprises. His estate is saddled with debt, and the late earl's three innocent sisters are still occupying the house . . . along with Kathleen, Lady Trenear, a beautiful young widow whose sharp wit and determination are a match for her own. A clash of wills . . . Kathleen knows better than to trust a rascal or scoundrel like Devon. But the fiery attraction between them is impossible to deny—and from the first moment Devon holds her in his arms, he's determined to do whatever it takes to possess her. As Kathleen finds herself succumbing to his skillfully erotic seduction, only one question remains: Can she

from surrendering her heart to the most dangerous man she's ever known? He's a legend in the raking . . . **The Last Crimes of Peregrine Hind** - Sierra Simone Peregrine Hind, known to all as the bloodiest highwayman ever to bedevil the road, seeks only one thing—revenge against the Dartham family. And so when a robbery sends the second Dartham son and notorious rakehell Alexander Dartham tumbling to Peregrine's feet, it seems like fate has given Peregrine his vengeance at last. Except then Alexander offers him a desperate bargain: to kidnap Alexander's family first. Peregrine agrees, but he's in no way prepared for a captive like Alexander, who insists only on the softest beds and the finest wines...and who enjoys being tied up a little too much... **Two Rake** Mrs. Sparkwell - Eva Leigh The last thing Mrs. Vivian Sparkwell wanted was to tie her life to another stifling husband. But thanks to the surprise of her last marriage contract, if she refuses any reasonable offer again, she loses her widow's portion. What she needs is a thorough public ruining to make her would-be suitors cry off. Who better to provide the necessary scandal than notorious rake Rushton Cantle when Rush proposes that his friend, gaming hell bruiser Jack Morgan join in on the ruination, Vivian can't decide if she's shocked—or aroused. How far is too far when infamy is on the line? **A Rake, His Patron, Their Muse** - Nicola Davidson London playwright and notorious rake Lennox Townsend is renowned for bold melodrama and bolder pleasure. When he loses interest in both, his shy yet devoted patron Lord John Grant escorts him to a country boarding house managed by respectable widow, Mrs. Viola Prescott. The trio soon surrender to sizzling—and forbidden—passion, made sweeter as each share their deepest secrets and find acceptance of their true self. Yet cold reality is ever ready to intervene and they know happiness is fleeting. Or is it? **Monsieur X** - Adriana Herrera Joseph Cantor Marshall never imagined reaching the pinnacles of artistic success would be so... uninspiring. Desperate for a spark of excitement he attends the notorious masked soirée at the most e

sex club in Paris. The moment he walks in he's entranced by the mysterious X, the embodiment of the painter's darkest fantasies. As slippery as he is tempting, and soon Marshall's days and nights are consumed by growing desire for his elusive lover. Will falling for X be Marshall's undoing or his greatest masterpiece? Sold to the Duke of Blackwood Though she once lived a life of privilege, Lady Eliza is destitute and desperate to care for her ill sister. She decides to sell the one thing of value she has left: her virginity. At the auction, a shocking Duke of Blackwood recognizes Eliza and refuses to allow her to fall into the clutches of a depraved bidder. But his role of noble rescuer is upended when the proud beauty insists on giving him his money's worth. First in the series starring "a group of merry widows who find love and lust in their second marriages" from the author of the *Handful of Novels* (All About Romance). The war years are behind them. The future is before them. And one by one, the widows of Lyttlefield Park are restless . . . Lady Charlotte Cavendish is still the spirited girl who eloped in the name of love. That dream was thwarted by her father, who trapped her into a loveless, passionless marriage. But now widowed, Charlotte is free to reenter the giddy world of the ton—and pursue her desires. For hardly your typical widow, she remains innocent to the pleasures of the flesh. Yet her life is finally her own, and she intends to keep it that way . . . Nash, the twelfth Earl of Wrotham, is beguiled by Charlotte at first sight—and the feeling is mutual. When he receives an intriguing invitation to a house party, the marriage-minded lord plans to further their acquaintance. But even he cannot sway her aversion to matrimony, and only with great restraint does he resist her most recent offer. For unbeknownst to Charlotte, the misadventures of the party of revisiting them both, and bedding her could cost him everything—and him everything he ever wanted . . . "An enjoyable read . . . A generally entertaining romance."—Kirkus Reviews A New York Times Bestseller From #1 New York Times bestselling author Julia Quinn comes the next installment of Francesca Bridgerton, in the sixth of her beloved Regency-set novels.

featuring the charming, powerful Bridgerton family, now a series created by Shondaland for Netflix. **FRANCESCA'S STORY** In every life there is a turning point. A moment so tremendous, so sharp and breathtaking that one knows one's life will never be the same. For Michael Stirling, London's most infamous rake, that moment came the first time he laid eyes on Francesca Bridgerton. After a lifetime of chasing women, smiling slyly as they chased him, of allowing himself to be caught but never permitting his heart to become engaged, he took one look at Francesca Bridgerton and fell so fast and hard into love it was a wonder he managed to remain standing. Unfortunately for Michael, however, Francesca's surname was to remain Bridgerton for only a mere three hours longer—the occasion of their meeting was, lamentably, a supper celebrating her imminent wedding to his cousin. But that was the past. Now Michael is the earl and Francesca is free, but still she thinks of him as nothing other than her dear friend and confidant. Michael dares not speak to her of his love . . . until one dangerous night, when she slips innocently into his arms, and passion proves stronger than even the most wicked of secrets . . . "She's hysterical." For centuries, the term "hysteria" has been used by physicians and laymen to diagnose and dismiss the extreme emotionality and mysterious physical disorders presumed to bedevil others—especially women. How did this medical concept assume its power? What cultural purposes does it serve? How do different centuries and different circumstances produce different "hysteria"? These are among the questions pursued in this absorbing and erudite reevaluation of the history of hysteria. The widely respected authors draw upon the insights of social and cultural history, rather than Freudian psychoanalysis, to examine the ways in which hysteria has been conceived by doctors and patients, writers and artists, in Europe and North America, from antiquity to the early years of the twentieth century. In so doing, they show that a history of hysteria is a history of how we understand the mind. This title is part of UC Press's Voices Revived program, which commemorates University of California Press's mission

to seek out and cultivate the brightest minds and give them voice and impact. Drawing on a backlist dating to 1893, *Voices Revived* is high-quality, peer-reviewed scholarship accessible once again using on-demand technology. This title was originally published in 1993.

to the passion galloping in her veins, Lady Valeria Arnold was shocked by the wanton impulses that drew her to Teagan Fitzwilliams. The stunning rake was nothing more than a wastrel with the devil's own cards--surely not the kind of man that a woman could trust her heart to. Orphaned as a young boy, Teagan Fitzwilliams despised the role of the Society had forced upon him. Yet until his stolen moments with the Valeria, no woman had ever made him feel his own worth. Nor set him on a desperate course to change his life forever--and claim this woman as his uncommon grace his own for a lifetime. When Jett Montgomery has to trade her Friday night spanking for a business trip, she's not happy. After she arrives at Tres Lobos, a BDSM resort high in the mountains of New Mexico, and meets the owner, her anger flares again thinking she's been set up. Griffin Flack is a gorgeous cowboy, hotter than sin, who makes Jett think about more than work. Frankly, the last thing Griffin wants to do is work with the gorgeous woman. Her boss's idea to bring her to him under false pretenses isn't sitting well with him and he's not too sure about lying to Jett about why she's there. What he does know is she's beautiful, and she kicks his dominant senses into overdrive. All Griffin wants to do is play with his new sub, but the two of them are both themselves involved in an investigation concerning the death of his neighbor. Fortunately, they are also finding time to play with ropes and a little public play, which may lead to much more than either of them anticipated. This is book one in the Tres Lobos series and has a happy ending ever after. Publisher's Note: This adult contemporary romance contains elements of mystery, suspense, danger, adult themes, power exchange, and sensual scenes. If any of these offend you, please do not purchase. I'm not a rakish thrill-seeker... Archer Crawford has come to Siena to compete in a notorious horse race—only daredevils need apply! But on his first

he meets the beautiful Elisabeta di Nofri, a young noblewoman whose love of thrill-seeking is second only to Archer's. A woman longing for more... Elisabeta is determined to savor one last taste of freedom before an unwelcome marriage is forced upon her. But one night of wild passion isn't enough. And Archer and Elisabeta will have to risk everything to win what they truly want... Gareth Alexander, Marquis of Heathgate, has spent nine years indulging every whim allowed the wealthy and wanton—also grieving five family members who died in a boating accident that left him with the title. To meet an obligation to a deceased friend, Gareth, a confirmed rake, must teach Felicity Worthington, an equally confirmed spinster, how to manage a broom. Time is running out to ensure Felicity has the security the business can provide, but Gareth becomes increasingly reluctant to ruin a woman he respects as much as he desires. An earl is forced to play matchmaker for the daughters of a rake in a smart and witty new Regency romance by the national bestselling author of *The Scoundrel's Daughter*. Recently returned to England, Leo, the new Earl of Salcott, discovers he's been thrust into the role of guardian to an heiress, the daughter of a notorious rake. Even worse, his wealthy ward has brought her half-sister, the beautiful but penniless Isobel, with her. Leo must find Clarissa a suitable husband, but her illegitimate half sister, Izzy, is quite another matter. Her lowly birth makes her quite unacceptable in London's aristocratic circles. However, the girls are devoted to each other and despite the risk of scandal if Izzy's parentage is discovered, they refuse to be separated. To Leo's frustration, nothing will convince them otherwise. Even when sparks fly every time Leo and Izzy interact. Called away to his country estate, Leo instructs the young ladies to stay quietly at home. But when he returns, he's infuriated to discover that Izzy and Clarissa have launched themselves into society — with tremendous success! There's no going back. Now Leo must enter society to protect Clarissa from fortune hunters, and try not to be driven mad by the sharp-witted, rebellious and intoxicating Izzy. Includes excerpts from *Indiscreet* and *Unforgiven*.

exploration of writings about the Ottoman Empire and other Islamic countries by women of the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries. A guidebook to help all future widows as they join the Wicked Widows League. Learn from the experiences of women already part of the League and the wisdom they've gained as they have embraced their new lives. Authors: Dawn Brower Rachel Ann Smith Shannon Gilmore Ari Thatcham Amanda Mariel Tabetha Waite Tracy Sumner Courtney McCaskill Lauren Williams Cara Maxwell Sue London Jane Charles Anna St. Claire Nautilus one of the Best Romance of 2020 by EW, Washington Post, NPR, Bookpage! Meet the SOCIETY OF SIRENS—three radical, libertine ladies determined to weaponize their scandalous reputations to fight for justice and the love they deserve... She's a Rake on a quest for women's rights... Seraphina Arden's passions include equality, amorous affairs, and wild, wine-soaked nights. To raise funds for her cause, she's started to publish explosive memoirs exposing the powerful man who ruined her life. Her ideals are her purpose, her friends are her family, and her paramours are forbidden to linger in the morning. He's not looking for a summer lover... Adam Anderson is a wholesome, handsome, widowed Scottish architect, with two young children, a business to protect, and an aversion to scandal. He could never, ever afford to fall for Seraphina's indecent proposal—one month, no strings, no future—proves to be too tempting for a man who strains to keep his passions buried with the losses of his past. But one night changes everything... What began as a fling soon forces them to confront painful secrets—and yearnings they thought they'd never have again. But when Seraphina discovers Adam's future depends on the man she's about to destroy, she must decide whether to protect... her desire for justice, or her heart. Wild, Wild Rake, the sweeping, emotional, witty, and sharp romance in the Cavensham Heiresses series from beloved author Janna MacGregor. Her first marriage was an epic fail. Lady Avalon Warwyk never did love her husband. Arrogant, selfish, and cruel, it's a blessing when she's widowed and left to raise her son all by herself. Finally, Avalon can

freely and do the work she loves: helping fallen women become businesswomen. She's lived these past ten years with no desire to remarry—that is, until Mr. Devan Farris comes to town. Can he convince her to take another chance at happily ever after? Devan Farris—clergyman, vicar, reputed rake, and the brother of Avalon's son's guardian—is reluctantly sent to town to keep tabs on Avalon and her son. Devan wishes he didn't have to meddle in her affairs; he's not one to trouble a woman's independent nature and keen sense of convictions. But she has nothing to do with a vicar with a wild reputation—even though he's never given his heart and body to another. If only he could find a way to show Avalon who he really is on the inside—a good, true soul looking for its other half. But how can he prove that he wants to love and care for her until death do they part? Praise for the Cavensham Heiresses series

"Full-bodied romance...with intelligence and heart."—New York Times bestselling author Cathy Maxwell "Sparkling...MacGregor brings England's Regency era to life." —Publishers Weekly

After more than fifteen years, this initial volume of the American Film Institute Catalog series is again in print. The 1920s set covers the important filmmaking period when "movies" became "talkies," and the careers of many influential directors and actors were launched. Films such as *Wings*, *The Phantom of the Opera*, *All Quiet on the Western Front*, and *The Jazz Singer* are included in this volume.

She might have been married to her father, but there was no way he was going to call Lady Violet Forster "stepmother," especially since he'd been the one to introduce her to the pleasure all those years ago. Ten years ago, Violet betrayed the man she loved...by marrying his father. It wasn't her fault, not exactly (you know how these things go), but Malcolm was, quite frankly, more than a little put out by the news. Now, as the widowed Countess of Hatwarin, Violet wields power and wealth in her young son's name, but nine-year-old Brom's small empire is wobbling. Violet needs to start selling off some of his estates in order to maintain the rest...which means angering the man who already thinks her far too brazen. His secret is the love which

shames him. Malcolm Forbes, the illegitimate son of the Earl of Hatwaring, always thought of himself as academic and stoic. A demagoguing one of his father's far-flung estates taught him to think he acts, but when he receives a letter from his father's widow - an only woman he's ever loved - stating her intentions to sell his home, he reacts most rashly. Now they've made a brazen bargain. A deal is made and after a mere month as the young earl's tutor, Malcolm will see his deed to his home. Unfortunately, this means a month with the one woman who can enrage his anger - and his passions - unlike anyone else. Victoria, meanwhile, is determined to earn his forgiveness, even if it means doing everything she's hoped for, and revealing her secrets. This likely won't end well. WARNING: Of course it'll end well, it's a romcom. Be prepared for an angsty hero, a cheeky kid, quite a lot of embarrassing puns, and some really smoking bedspout. This second-chance secret baby romance will leave you laughing!

THE LADY Lady Asherton is proper, lovely and... lost. Widowed and just turned thirty -- her recent engagement promises an unexpected chance to become a mother at last.

THE RAKE The Marquess of Rockingham is gorgeous, exciting and loyal to his family. He's never met a woman he can't have and the world is at his feet. He is young -- too young. She's engaged -- to his uncle. Two unlikely lovers are faced with a choice. Risk everything and embrace the possibility of a lifetime or give in to society's expectations and endure the associated regret?

Ethan Waines is the bastard son of crime boss Ivan Gorovich. To gain his father's favor, he agrees to track down the man who stole the necklace from one of his father's rivals. Ethan is not exactly versed in tracking people, but when he finds a woman breaking into the rival's house, he confronts her in an effort to get the necklace back. For the ballerina Sofia wants only one thing, and that is to find her brother Dorby, who makes copies of famous jewels and pieces of art and sells them. When she finds out he's done so with a necklace once worn by Catherine the Great, she knows he's put himself in the crosshairs of Ivan Gorovich. She doesn't expect to run into Ethan Waines, or to team

with him to find Dorby and the necklace. While they are searching finds out Ethan is not such a bad guy, and is, in fact, rather sexy. learns he can teach her a few things about getting to know herself and BDSM. This is book two in The Gorovich Bratva series and can be enjoyed independently. Publisher's Note: This Bratva romance contains elements of danger, suspense, mystery, action, adventure, sensual, and possible triggers for some readers, and a guaranteed happily ever after. Kennedy wants Cedric as a Dom... Cedric wants Kennedy as a sub. Sounds simple, right? Kennedy Tyson's life isn't going according to plan. As she nears her fortieth birthday, she's still working two jobs to make enough money to pay her bills while she works on her novel. When she meets her idol, Grace Shelley, she's thrilled to get an autograph, but she gets much more when she and Grace strike up a friendship. So Cedric Dawson never fails to attract the ladies. He just hasn't found the right one yet. When his friends Grace and Toffer introduce him to Kennedy he's intrigued, especially when it's obvious she's a sub. But when he approaches her she turns him down. She'd love to have a yes, but she doesn't want to submit to someone who goes through her like water. Dom Cedric takes her words as a challenge and he sets out to work his way into Kennedy's heart. And what better way for an actor to work his magic than by dressing up as a famous lover? Cedric is determined to have Kennedy as his sub. All it takes is a few Halloween costumes, and lots of role-playing. Publisher's Note: This adult romance contains elements of adult themes, sensual scenes, HEA, and power exchange. If any of these offend you, please do not purchase.

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