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Facets Details

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Debbie says

I HATED this book! BORING!!!! I merely finished it because I made it past the 6th chapter, expecting it to get better, but never ever did. Not recommended!

Lynette says

Unfortunately this was a book on CD; if I'd been reading it I would have skipped most of the book and read the last chapter. Definitely not worth the time. In addition I found the ending disappointing. Not one of Delinsky's better books.

Kim says

won off of www.listia.com 5 days ago and received it this morning in the mail. sounds like it will be a great book.
just finished. wished it ended better but was still a good book

Sharon says

Delinsky is one of my favorite, favorite authors! It seemed to me that this book is very unlike anything else she has written that I've read. This book makes me dislike John St. George in the worst way! What a wonderful villain. Hillary makes you want to smack some sense into her head.
I loved this book.

Donna says

Enjoyable

Amelia says

This one is simply a delight right from the start!

The characters are well written and the story grabs you and doesn't let go till the last page. In my case, I felt a wee bit bereft after I finished this one 'coz I wanted it to go on and on.

Facets centers around four characters, one of which is the bad guy and all three are fall guys. Every character's life and story depends on the bad guy, making it a highly interesting storyline. Facets is very aptly named.

There's a writer, a jewelry designer, a miner and a mining mogul. The story spans three decades, but personally I felt it should have been four or six or eight! Haha...

Instead of diamonds, tourmaline makes a rare appearance in this book. And soon you start to value them over diamonds! :)

Barbara Delinsky tells us a story that has all the age-old emotions : love, trust, friendship, betrayal, affairs, hate, forgiveness and closure. But with each page you turn, it feels like a whole new world!

Read this book only if you have the time to finish it in one go....'coz you just can't put it down :)

Judy Churchill says

I struggled getting into this book, and never bonded tightly to the characters.

Joshua says

Funny story: Upon first buying this book I thought it was called *Faucets* because of the swirly cursive font that's on my edition. What made this even more confusing was the note from the author on the back cover, explaining that the title was set from the get go. This makes a lot more sense now that I know it's actually *Facets* and not *Faucets* .

I really liked this book, and I seem to be in the minority.

This was a really well crafted and entertaining family drama, so I'm confused as to why there are so many terrible reviews. I would think that if you've read her newer stuff, you might not like this. This is the complete opposite of my experience, out the handful of Delinsky novels I've read, this was the best.

The beginning starts off a bit jilted and slow, but after a few chapters, I had no problem plowing through it. This is a very full book, there is a lot of character and plot development, as well as a lot of meticulously laid out backstory. As the book spans three decades, I thought this was extremely well spread throughout the story. It wasn't laid on to thick, but it wasn't so thin as to make it boring or tedious to get through. The pacing was consistent, which isn't always the case in these types of family drama/soap opera books. It's tough to pinpoint exactly what it's about. There are so many different experiences and happenings, but the overlaying arc running through it is: that spite doesn't really satisfy anyone. And it only isolates us further. I found this to be not only poignant for a beach read, but relevant to the story and the character's experiences.

Desislava says

Absolutely brilliant.

Charlotte says

Adapted from the back cover: "Hillary Cox sees her lover of 20 years, mining magnate John St. George, announce on television that he's marrying another woman. Seeking revenge, Hillary begins a tell-all book exposing John and his shady past. John's sister, Pamela St. George, also wants revenge against her brother. Throughout her life, Pamela has suffered horrifying abuses at John's hands. John was once an insecure child, and now an over-controlling man, he tries to rape his half sister, destroy Cutter (the man whom Pam loves), and even abort their child. Pam sets out to wrest control of the family's tourmaline mining business by buying shares of his company with Cutter. As Hillary attempts to end her obsession with John, Pamela searches for Cutter Reid, the one man she has always loved, and from whom John has always kept her. Now, a three-decade-old family drama of power, duplicity, and money comes hurtling to an explosive final confrontation with the one man who has so damaged their lives."

Facets is a heavy family drama that kept me horrified, angry and hating class-standing. It's very well written, strong, and it covers the past of the characters to help us understand John's last stand. Full of betrayal, love-making, pain and evilness, this is one book I shall never forget. I felt sorry for nearly everybody at the hands of John, especially for Pam, but the last chapters were a pleasure to read. Delinsky's current writing style may be different, but this novel was just as good. Be sure not to miss it!

Bronwyn Rykiert says

From a small town in Maine to Boston and New York, they shared love affairs, friendships, and betrayals... When John St. George announces his engagement on national TV, Hillary Cox threatens to bring him down in disgrace - while a three-decade-old family drama of power, duplicity, and money is played out to its extraordinary conclusion.

John St. George grew up with a large chip on his shoulder he had never gotten along with his father and one of the things he did to get back at him was to have an affair with his father's young second wife Patricia. He was not content with his father's fortune in tourmaline mines either and he wanted to expand but his father didn't.

Hillary Cox, a successful writer could not escape her obsession for one man, and all the pain and passion he offered.

Pam St. George hated her half brother John but after her father's death when she was only 13 she was left to his mercy and John ruled her like a tyrant.

Cutter Reid was transformed by Eugene St George from a kid with no future to a man of distinction he was the object of John's undying hatred, and Pam's tempestuous love.

This story is told backwards and forwards between the times, it starts in 1990 then goes back to the 1960's and 70's. It was a really great story and you really got to know the characters really well. I loved Pam and Cutter and hated John and felt sorry for Hillary.

Michelle says

CONTAINS SPOILERS***** It took me a couple chapters to get into this book. But once I was in I was

hooked! I was completely entranced with the love story of Cutter and Pam. And John's character was so awful I felt sorry for Hillary right until the end. It wil admit the ending was a little anti climactic. John was so bad I would have like to seen him ruined.

Marianne says

2.5★s

Facets is the twentieth stand-alone novel by American author, Barbara Delinsky. When journalist Hilary Cox learns, second-hand, that her erstwhile lover, John St George is getting engaged to a Boston society widow, she is hurt. When he tells her that he fully intends for their relationship to continue unchanged, she is livid. She decides to write a book about his life, but is won't be a sanctioned biography. It will be a warts-and-all expose.

John St George is the heir to a gem miner, and he has established several successful jewellery stores under the Facets brand. But he has not trodden lightly to do so, and Hilary learns the truth about him from his half-sister, Pam St George, his ex-mine manager (and Pam's lover), Cutter Reid and his step-mother and ex-lover, Patricia St George. Despite being warned not to publish, she continues to write..

This is an early Delinsky novel that drags on for about a hundred pages too many. While John is meant to be nasty, vindictive and unlikeable, Pam, Patricia and Hilary all needed to grow some spine, and Cutter managed to lose sight of what was important in life. The best character, despite his secrets, was the man Pam married. Delinsky's later novels are much better.

Lindsay says

This book had a good premise: the gem and jewelry trade, and a family business dealing with it.

The villain, however, could have been dealt with about 25 years earlier than he was. He did all sorts of sordid and/or illegal things, and no person, even an underage person, who was worth that much money would not have her own attorney to advise her. Totally ridiculous, and it overwhelmed my suspension of disbelief.

Sameen Hasan says

All of the characters displayed consuming, obsessional and igniting kind of emotions. John was a classical representation of a charismatic psychopath. I was unable to relate with the characters but things presented in the story, happens!
