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Mr. Right #1: A financier who "did deals"

Mr. Right #2: A fourth-generation German-Jewish funeral director

Mr. Right #3: A handsome, Ivy League-educated, award-winning actor

Mr. Right #4: Dr. Perfect, a cardiothoracic surgeon (and the official keeper)

Being an advice columnist means you've heard it all. What it does not mean is that you get everything right in your own life. Margo Howard, better known as "Dear Prudence," then "Dear Margo," can testify to that. But before being a syndicated columnist, before writing for national magazines, before becoming an advice maven, Margo was the beloved only child of Jules Lederer, the founder of Budget Rent-a-Car, and Eppie Lederer-known to the world as "Ann Landers."

She was from a time and place where young women went to college and then got married. So that is what she did-and not just once.

EAT, DRINK AND REMARRY is the charming and candid memoir of a woman who goes from blushing bride to rice-scarred veteran. With wit, humor and twenty-twenty hindsight she reveals lessons learned from the men in her life. In a no-holds-barred account of the life she's lived there is confirmation that understanding love, and of course people, comes only when we're ready, and that sometimes it really is possible to start over and get things just right.

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The Just-About-Cocky Ms M says

Even if this "memoir" had been well-written and witty--it wasn't, on both counts--I could not endure mire than two chapters of absolute drivel celebrating an elitist, pampered, and entitled existence. The sad part is that there is not a scintilla of plot, characterization, voice--other than whiny--or any other aspect of a real writer's craft from first to last, and I was speed-reading for more than 80%.

I feel regret for the trees who died so that this "book" could live. So, someone please shoot it.

TinaNicole ? Le Book Nikita ? says

I may have read this book, but going by some reviews I'm afraid it's just not my thing. Possibly b/c I'm a such a dim bulb. I don't know.

Pamela says

I thoroughly enjoyed this memoir. Disclosure: I went to school with Howard's children until I was 13--I knew the oldest two. So I of course was interested in the early chapters about her first and second marriages. But I was kept completely absorbed even afterwards. First of all, Howard has a 200-watt style: it's clear (Howard's mother was the advice columnist Ann Landers) that there's some sort of genius for vivid and to-the-point prose that runs in the family. Second of all, she has known many prominent people in many walks of life, and it's delightful to get her take on them, especially because, third, Howard always tells it like she sees it. I delighted in her directness (even as I would never want to be on the wrong side of her wit and observational powers). Why did the daughter of the world's most famous advice columnist--and an advice columnist herself--end up married four times? Because she's human, and she's very honest about that humanity--the upbringing that shaped her, her youthful naiveté and impulsiveness, even her shortcomings as a parent. (Howard's been with her current husband for the past 20 years or so, so there's a gratifyingly happy ending.)

Pam ?Because Someone Must Be a Thorn? Tee says

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Susana says

<http://www.newrepublic.com/article/11...>

Lindsay says

Yes, the author is quite smug and pretentious, when speaking about all of the fabulous things she's done and the A-list people she's friends with (Elizabeth Taylor babysat me! I lived near former President Ronald Reagan!). It's an enjoyable read because she fully admits that her marriages were not well thought out. But that's about the only thing it's good for. She does talk about how she should have made better decisions and thought things out, but the book is more about her super, fabulous, awesome life. If that would annoy you, avoid this book. I enjoyed it for the light read it is, and some of the anecdotes, but yes, Howard can be a little grating.

Angela says

No thanks.

<http://www.newrepublic.com/article/11...>

L.A. Nicholson says

I thought the title was brilliant, and I love funny, irreverent books. But this book became too hard to slog through at the halfway point. For one thing, you could make a drinking game out of every time Howard name-drops, and everyone in your book club would be smashed. And her tale of glitter and privilege is not one many can relate to. Since it isn't actually that funny, and it is annoying, why would you want to read it unless she's a personal friend? And if she is, she might have said something snarky about you in it!

John says

I gave up during spouse #3. The negative reviewers aren't being overly harsh - this one's a true "Rich Peoples' Problems" saga.

Pisceschick says

Stay classy.

<http://www.newrepublic.com/article/11...>

Peebee says

I didn't really care for Margo as an advice columnist: she was way more ascerbic and flip than her mother (who for me really was the best), so I'm not sure what made me pick up this book, except maybe the title. I just didn't care for it: Margo comes across as very annoying to be around. While I'm glad she found happiness (everyone deserves that) I found that by the time it happened, I just didn't care anymore.

(I also just read Margo's New Republic article decrying the poor reviews she got from Amazon Vine reviewers....her attitude towards those is just like what is found throughout her book -- if you don't agree with her, she's going to try to find a way to show you that you are wrong. BTW, it's perfectly fine to judge the person who is the author of a memoir: when you're putting the details of your life out there for everyone to see, then you cannot be surprised when some people take issue with them, just as someone who doesn't like a fictional protagonist.)

Thibaut Nicodème says

I knew I'd forgotten one.

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Sarah says

I received this book from a goodreads give away

-I down graded this review by two stars after reading Margo's rebuttal to being negatively reviewed by morons who receive 'free swag' and there for can not be trusted to be capable of giving a book review - her privileged life in the memoir didn't not bother me while reading but it comes out loud and clear in her New Republic article. But according to Margo, I'm just someone off the street amassing free stuff and can not be trusted to give a sound opinion on a book because I'm under qualified as I am not a professional write-

Margo Howard, from the column 'Dear Margo' and 'Dear Prudence', writes candidly about her experiences with love marriage and divorce. Howard writes like your best friend telling you some good gossip. This book was an easy light read that had a few shining moments, but overall was a little underwhelming.

Barbara ♥~Lindt Ninja~♥ (Careerist Gangster™) says

The "Readers Also Enjoyed" list to the right is hilarious, assuming everyone sees the same thing I do. It includes:

Suicide Ride by E. Llewellyn
Vardin Village by Maggie Spence
The World Rose by Richard Brittain
My Splendid Concubine by Lloyd Lofthouse
Amulet of Elusion by Katie Lynn Johnson

Split River by Riley Hill

Transgression by Theo Fenraven

A Throne of Bones by Vox Day

Dance of the Goblins by Jaq D. Hawkins

Teresa Zea says

You probably have to be living in the 1960's to enjoy this book and all the name dropping that she does which accounts for 80% of the book. "We lived next to [name drop], [name drop], [name drop], and partied with name drop], [name drop], [name drop]" all the while I'm wondering who the heck are these people? This book was less on her love life as the abstract seem to describe and more on the big named (that someone like me born in the 80's have no clue about but assume they're some fancy hoity-toity people given the name dropping) people that she met and are friends with. So overall, a boring book if you don't know all those celebrities, politicians and whomever she's talking about knowing, partied with, dined with or danced with.
