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Short Stories From 1929



Synopsis

"It was a hard, grueling time touched with some form of deprivation and heartache or another. And, as Maura scanned her own memories, it was a time that not a single other generation would ever fully understand. It was their time." Short Stories from 1929 is the first set of short stories woven from the threads of the novel, 1929. More than forty years after the Great Crash, Maura gathers friends and family for an evening of storytelling. From the tales she crafts a book for Jonathan, who has suffered a stroke and is now bedridden. Loved ones narrate accounts from long ago, moments mentioned but never fully explained in the novel, 1929 by M.L. Gardner. The Night of the Big Wind in Ireland The Voyage to America The Last Christmas.

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Customer Reviews

I'm truly torn with this review. It is an excellent collection of short stories. I purchased this as a quick fix after reading 1929 and waiting for 1930, but the spoiler contained in this collection completely ruins the novel 1930. In fact, in my opinion, the order of this series is completely out of whack, since Elizabeth's Heart also has spoilers to the book 1930. If you want to read the series without spoilers, then read in this order: 1929 Book One Jonathon's Cross 1930 Book Three Aryl's

DivideShort Stories from 1929Elizabeth's Heart Book TwoDrifter Book FourHow the author can possibly order the stories as she has done is beyond my comprehension, since both "Elizabeth's Heart Book 2" and "Short Stories" spoil 1930 Book 3. Hopefully the author has seen the error of her ways as the description for the newly published "A Homespun Christmas" states that the book does not contain any spoilers (thank you).

I agree with another reviewer. This series order is totally out of whack. Even after reading all the books, except for Purgatory Cove, (I don't care to read anymore about Elizabeth) there are still lots of loose ends. I enjoyed the stories in this book, but they didn't tie everything up. I'm still wondering about some things. I won't go into details, because I don't want to spoil it for other readers. Overall, it could have been a great series if the timelines had been more organized.

Reminds me of the stories my grandparents told me about that time. My grandfather would not eat chicken because that was all they could get once a week. I inherited my grandmother's cookbook that has a recipe for one egg or no egg cake. Please continue writing this series. I can't wait!

This is a good addition to the 1929 series. It gives added insights to some of the characters. Fills out some of their stories. Also let's you know what happened to them in case you wonder while you are reading the series.

Strong characters vividly portrayed. When reading a story like the Meeting or Voyage, the first thing that may impress you are the bold strokes Gardner uses to create richly detailed characters. She takes us back to a time and place that makes you feel that you are a part of it. I especially like stories that teach about the harsh realities faced: one example is the Voyage, and how the curtain is pulled back on the harsh conditions of a many days voyage, and then not knowing if you would get put in quarantine or sent back to your homeland. All of her stories have a richness to details, whether dialogue or descriptions. A must read for this genre.

This book of short stories is a companion piece to M.L. Gardner's "1929". Set later in time, friends gather to put together a book of individual reminiscences they have not shared previously. This gives the reader insight to the characters from "1929". A thoroughly enjoyable read if you have already read "1929".

This was a "can not put down" read. It should be made into a movie. The scenes, images and portraits were never ending in my mind as I read this great story. I can not wait for more of this writing to be available on Kindle.

More about the characters from 1929, whom I liked very much. Nice follow-up. I think anyone who liked 1929 will like this equally as well. Looking forward to the next book by M.L. Gardner

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