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The Milliner's Secret



Synopsis

June 1940. As Paris, the City of Light, approaches its darkest hour, a young woman treads the line between survival and collaboration. Londoner Cora Masson has reinvented herself as Coralie de Lirac, using a false claim to aristocratic birth to launch herself as a fashionable milliner. When the Nazis invade, the influence of a high-ranking lover protects her business. But the cruel demands of war - and of love - cannot be kept at bay forever. Soon Coralie must find the courage to do what's necessary to protect her friends, her freedom and everything she believes in.

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Customer Reviews

This story was a page turner. The main characters were well developed. Our heroine, Carolie, is proof that human behavior can be so different depending on what our situations in life are. She had deep emotional feelings, as well as the German Officer, Dietrich who was a heroic and sympathetic character. Both of these people were brave and loyal to themselves, but were able to still deeply love each other. Highly recommend this book. This story covers human emotions during war with characters that have different loyalties and beliefs. Even though they are conflicted, it doesn't prevent their depth of emotional commitment to each other, and the heroic acts that have to be committed for that love.

I purchased this book because my dentist told me to read something less dramatic. I loved the title and it seemed a good relaxing read and one my dentist would approve of. Needless to say, as you

can see I give it a 5 star I really got hooked. The book starts off interestingly and sets the reader up for an interesting romantic Historical journey. The romance is with Paris hats and interesting woman and of course a personal one too. It was a very easy read that took you on different types of journeys without any confusion. Lots of interesting characters and many likeable ones. Without too much gore it involved you in what went on in Paris when the Germans came to town. So if you would like a bit of knowledge about Paris pre World War 1 and during the occupations without being hit in the face with too much reality, this book is for you.

This book caused the delayed removal of my Christmas tree! I decided to cool down following my workout by reading for a few minutes, and then go about the taking down of the tree. Unfortunately, that few minutes turned into a marathon read till the end of the book. I simply couldn't stop wondering about the outcome of the Coralie/Dietrich relationship, complete with its twists and turns, and found myself mesmerized by the drama. I found *The Milliner's Secret* to be a great read, and highly recommend it for those who, like me, love a good story with a lot of history, drama and romance.

I read this book cover to cover on a long, lazy Sunday on the couch. I checked the box: "full of surprises" as I haven't read anything by Nathalie Meg Evans before. And by the 'looks' of it I didn't think I was getting into a complex story, addressing taboos. Addressing them in a way that they don't feel like a taboo. Wars polarize people into thinking black and white. In this book you'll discover a lot of grey with and without prejudice, and through love. I really enjoyed it.

This story was so slow. I never got into it until I was 75% through the book and THEN the action started. My opinion - this story was more filler than substance. Guess I've read too many amazing historical fiction novels. This gets an F from me.

I'd been wanting to read this book ever since I saw the gorgeous cover, and it didn't disappoint. I was instantly swept into Coralie's world, first in London, then WWII Paris. For someone who came from nothing, Coralie was able to reinvent herself over and over, despite setbacks that would break just about anyone. The descriptions of the city, and the beautiful hats Coralie makes, were extremely well done, and for someone who didn't know much about the German occupation of Paris, I felt like the author included just enough historical information for me to understand the background of what was going on without it getting tedious. Highly recommend for anyone who

enjoys stories about strong women who are willing to sacrifice everything for love, family, and what's right.

I'm already looking for more by this author. The plot had many twists and turns, the ending was a surprise, and each page kept me wanting to read the next one. Set during World War II, the story presented believable characters faced with incredibly difficult circumstances. I found that I actually cared what happened to these people, even ones I didn't think I would like.

This was an excellent book with twists and turns. Very enjoyable. Writing style takes reader back to the time period in the book. Thoroughly loved this book. Love how writer makes women strong and shows how they survive during times when women were not to succeed in business.

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