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Irresistible stories of love and fidelity, mystery and unexpected lives from some of the bestselling authors writing today, including Kate Mosse, Cathy Kelly and Ian Rankin.

Published in conjunction with Woman & Home and Breast Cancer Care, this collection of terrific short stories includes many of the top names in fiction writing today: Fanny Blake, Fern Britton, Elizabeth Buchan, Tracy Chevalier, Jenny Colgan, R J Ellory, Julia Gregson, Tessa Hadley, Maeve Haran, Veronica Henry, Victoria Hislop, Eowyn Ivey, Cathy Kelly, Erin Kelly, Deborah Lawrenson, Kathy Lette, Lesley Lokko, Jill Mansell, Val McDermid, Kate Mosse, Jojo Moyes, Adele Parks, Nicky Pellegrino, Ian Rankin, newcomer Cara Ross, Penny Vincenzi and Katherine Webb.

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From Reader Review The Coffee Shop Book Club for online ebook

Neelam Babul says

I bought this book recently at a book sale since it was for a great cause in raising awareness about breast cancer. I did not have very high expectations with this one and just the fact that it had the words "book club" on the cover page influenced me immensely to add this book to my library.

After reading the first story, which I did not really like I thought the book was an anthology of stories which I would not really enjoy reading and since I hate leaving books midway I would just read it lightheartedly. However, as I went on reading I came across some really wonderful stories that delighted me and made my evening just perfect, as I sipped my coffee and nibbled on my chocolate cupcake.

The book has a combination of humorous, touching, romantic and some really heart wrenching stories that delighted my heart and made me smile.

A book worth reading.

Puty says

Light yet entertaining reading material.

Stephanie says

I bought this anthology after seeing a few comments about it on social media sites, and because it raises money for breast cancer care.

I read a huge amount of books but was pleasantly surprised to be introduced to a range of authors that I had heard of, but never read any of their books. This will be remedied in the near future.

A great little purchase for a great cause.

Samantha says

I was very lucky to have been sent this wonderful book in exchange for an honest review.

I love reading short stories, I feel it allows you to get to experience authors perhaps you would have never of thought about reading. This book allows you to do just that.

This is an excellent collection of short stories by many well - known authors, which have not stuck to one genre. There is something to suit everyone!

I am not going to talk about individual stories, they are short and I don't want to give them all away, plus there are 28 of them in total!!

All of the stories are well written and perfect for the busy lady who can only capture time to read in her lunch hour/while the child is asleep etc. It allows you to feel you have accomplished reading a whole story and you have been able to enjoy every moment of it.

I would recommend this short story collection to everyone, you will be surprised with the content and maybe even discover an author you never knew. The best bit? £1 for the sale goes to Breast Cancer.

Go out and grab your copy today!!!

Alka says

Collection of stories from well known authors. Love, loss, betrayal, revenge, murder; nano packs of varied emotions. Loved the concept and execution. Stories are just picked at random and strung together.

Damaskcat says

This is an excellent collection of nearly thirty stories by well-known authors with something which will appeal to many readers. There are ordinary everyday stories, stories with a touch of the supernatural, mysteries, crime and chick lit. I really enjoyed reading all these stories and in the process have compiled a list of authors whose novels I will be trying.

I particularly enjoyed 'Last Year's Coat' by Jo Jo Moyes about a family struggling to make ends meet on a reduced income; 'Wabi-sabi' by Nicky Pellegrino about acceptance of things as they are; 'Lady Isabella Morpeth's Receipt Book' by Maeve Haran about a journalist and a surprising discovery.

All these stories are well written and each will make an ideal accompaniment to a cup of coffee as they each take about the same amount of time to read as a coffee takes to drink.

Den says

Currently fighting breast cancer so when I spotted this I knew I had to have it. A great collecton of short stories - short enough to read one while you're having a cuppa. There's a range of styles and genres and not all appealed to me but many did and it highlighted a few new authors for me to try and reminded of others I have said i will read more of.

Edel says

The Coffee Shop Book Club is a collection of short stories by well known writers such as Cathy Kelly, JoJo Moyes , Ian Rankin , to name but a few who have got together to raise money for Breast Cancer Care in Association with Woman and Home magazine.

This short story collection really does have something to suit every readers taste. There is mystery, heart warmers, humorous, thought provoking, slightly sinister, surprising and romantic tales all written extremely well and they make great reads for when you are short on time, so great to dip into when you don't have the time for a big book. I don't read that many short stories but this book was really fun and it has made me want to look into finding more books like it. It would be great to see more books like this in the future that combine great story telling with helping a great cause.

I received this book for review from the kind folks over at Lovereading.co.uk for review.

Christina Wedgwood says

A book of short stories, this wasn't overall such a compelling read to get lost in, but a nice option to be able to dip in and out of - and there were some little gems.

Deanne says

A collection of short stories, the usual mixed bag not just in how good the stories are but also in style and genre. All short enough to read while having a cup of my favourite brew.

Stina says

short stories. pretty typical chick lit.

Yazlina Saduri says

This is one anthology right? In simpler term, a book of short stories contributed by various writers. Real short the stories, great as a traveling partner I suppose. If you see this red cover on the book shelf, don't feel guilty to grab this book at the airport prior to your checking in. I bet you, the book will be read, hmmmm at least one story from the book will be read during your travel. Surely you'll be tempted to read the short stories from names such as Jojo Moyes and Jill Mansell.

Right, my review below. Well not a real review though, more like a very brief thoughts sharing after most of the stories. I made a point to write on my note pad after completing each story. If I don't do that, this makin will forget huhu



- From Christmas Getaway: snow, blankness, all flights cancelled & back to love in earnest.

- As the time draws near: snow, air planes stalled in take-off, death too soon. Piper's dad knows he's gonna die one day, he doesn't want to die meekly. The way Piper imagines his dad's dark determination not to steer away from the black bear is dead spot on. I think this is the story I truly can appreciate, reminding me of my

own dad who also left us too soon.

- Internet dating: I like this story too, it's fun sort. Ned the bald monkey with expiring time share apartment in Portugal, gosh there must be plenty of Neds out there. Kerry & Sam sound so much like a match made in heaven, and they didn't even work on it.
- The scrapbook: online dating profile, two long lost ex-couple reminiscing the last two decades they missed dearly and the scrapbook... but OMG, what the heck Amanda???
- The scent of night: was it the ghost of Marthe Lincel who whooshed Sassy out from Penny's little haven with her lavender laced strong perfume?
- Let's be honest: quite a suspense being built up around James, especially the few minutes prior to Mel's big time confession.
- The spirit of summer: Marie Fournes, one of the 20 poor souls murdered along the Canal du Misi, beneath the bridge on the Quai Riquet.... brought smiles back to soothe Naomi's Mom.
- Last year's coat: gosh I dont get it. Did Evie get the coat she's been wanting in the end or not?
- The invitation: Not sure if Helen is attractive but I like Ben already.
- Fruitbat: I don't understand how this one could be the winner of Woman & Home Short Story Competition. It's a story about someone's wife playing hookie with someone's husband.

I have actually not written anything on the first 2 or 3 and the last 2 stories. Read them but I thought nothing much to write.

Regina Foo says

The Coffee Shop Book Club is a collection of short stories written by 27 bestselling authors. Most of the stories are about women's relationship with their partner, children and about meeting someone after a divorce or breakup.

Rating a short stories collection could be unfair as some of the stories I enjoyed reading a lot that I want to rate it a 5 stars but some I can't even finish reading it. But in overall, this book makes a great leisure reading choice if you're in a vacation or you just need something to read in a short burst of time.

Among the 28 stories, I particularly love a few of them:

Letting Go by Fanny Blake - A story about a widow who learns how to let go of her husband who died 8 years ago. The thing that warmed me most is the love of mother and daughter, which I think keeps Clare going through all these years.

The Surprise Gift by Fern Britton - I admit that sometimes I'm a bit judgmental on people but this one teaches me to look deeper into a person's heart.

Last Year's Coat by Jojo Moyes - I read this story slower than other because she's one of the most famous authors now (thanks to Me Before You) and I love this story! It's about a family that struggles with financial spending with a reduced income. Believe me, I found Evie's situation very relatable.

Someone Got to Eddie by Ian Rankin - Ian is not the only male author contributing for this book but his story stands out from the rest. Why? It's because it is a thriller/mystery story instead of romance/contemporary like the rest. Anyway, I love this surprise.

Recommended to readers of contemporary/romance fiction especially those who claimed to have no time to read. Sure you can find 10 minutes in a day to read one story?

This review is originally posted on: <http://wp.me/p6Uw1h-k7>

Vivien Brown says

Lovely collection of stories. All so different. Hard to choose a favourite. Rattled through them quickly, and enjoyed them all.

Marc says

A fairly easy to read anthology of short stories that you can get through in no time.

Some of the stories are great, some not so.
