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"Henry serves up a healthy dose of Southern humor and style with 18 lively stories that cleverly turn conventional ideas about Southern womanhood on their heads. ...Told with a fresh, sensitive voice and likely to appeal to readers who appreciate Southern culture in all its myriad forms." - Kirkus

Set in the mythic, South Carolina and Georgia Lowcountry, each story in this unforgettable collection captures the moments in women's lives when they must confront some aspect of their authentic selves. Whether they're seventeen or seventy-nine, the characters bring to life the 'grit, wit, and it' of the southern female psyche as they search for home, family, and love - often finding that rock bottom may be the best foundation from which to move forward. For those readers seeking strong, southern, female voices, Ladies in Low Places delivers.

## **Ladies in Low Places Details**

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## From Reader Review Ladies in Low Places for online ebook

### **Jessica says**

For anyone interested in Southern Literature, this book is for you. Not only is the South well represented, the author beautifully writes strong female characters whose inner-wisdom sticks with the reader.

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### **Susan Peterson says**

I really enjoyed this collection of short stories! Humorous and heartfelt!!

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### **Therese Wiese says**

I'm not usually a fan of short stories, so this sat on my TBR shelf longer than it should have, as it was provided to me by the publisher in exchange for an honest review. I finally decided to pick it up, and I am so glad I did. The author provided a wonderful array of quirky characters that were a delight to read. My favorite three were Hill Hole Swamp Queen, Pie Eyed Bride, and List of Lasts. Nouveau Southern Floozy was so timely for the recent Ford/Kavanaugh thing, even though the story was written in 2014!

Even if you don't normally read short stories, I definitely recommend this book.

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### **Lauren G says**

The setting and narrative in Ladies In Low Places are delicious, funny, witty, frank, and whimsical. I love reading about the different Lowcountry settings in each story - from trailer park to high society. The short story format is very digestible, so it's perfect for me to dive into a great story before bed and be able to complete in one sitting. I love that there is a little bit of darkness in each story, but you never come away with a feeling of melancholy or sadness. Each character has a strength and grit that makes you want to cheer, or at least have a glass of wine with them.

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### **Renee says**

I won this book on goodreads giveaway for a honest review. I normally dont read short stories however I am glad I read this one. It is set in Low County SC. As I was reading about these southern women I felt I was personally getting to know them they felt so real. You may even know them yourself! I found myself laughing at their quirkiness ..this book has some humourous moments as well as sad ones. What made the characters even more believable was the fact they had flaws like real women which made it feel as if I was reading a nonfiction. Yes I would recommend this book. And btw when are you writing another one? Thanks for the autographed copy of Low County ;)

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### **Karen says**

Ladies in Low Places captures the essence of Southern charm. These short stories depict the picturesque setting of the low country. Mary Ann Henry's descriptions of time and place make you feel as though you're breathing the humid air of the salt marshes and walking amongst the trees draped in Spanish moss. I enjoyed the quirky yet fiercely strong characters and how they each had their own personal struggles. Struggles which parallel our own lives in some way whether young, old, North or South of the Mason Dixon line!

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### **Diane says**

Good Stories.

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### **Ronald says**

I enjoyed this collection of short stories very much. The characters were interesting and the stories were well told. I look forward to the next volume.

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### **Barb Hollis says**

Received this book through a GOODREADS drawing.

Really enjoyed this collection of stories about southern women. Each one had a message which was thoughtful, some serious, some funny. Would recommend this delightful book to anyone who would like to try to figure out the workings of a woman's mind.

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### **Roxanne says**

This book was a collection of quick reads that was reflective of the ladies from the South.

The characters were varied and flawed which I find attractive as a reader.

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This book was a Goodreads win in exchange for an honest review.

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### **Melissa says**

I won this book from Goodreads.com. This is a wonderful collection of short stories about women who live

in the South. It's about women who have a "backbone" while still remaining a lady. It's about women who do the "right thing". I absolutely LOVED these stories and if you love Southern Belles, you will love this book too!!

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### **Morgan says**

I'm really glad I got the chance to read this after winning it in a goodreads giveaway. I enjoyed getting to know different women going through various experiences from all walks of life. The writing was very beautiful and honest, charming and heartwarming. It was highly enjoyable and everything I would want from a short story collection.

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### **Linda Zagon says**

#### **MY REVIEW OF "LADIES IN LOW PLACES" 'STORIES' by MARY ANN HENRY**

Mary Ann Henry, author of "Ladies in Low Places" has written a delightful, charming and entertaining novel with different stories. I really enjoyed this book and every story and would highly recommend it.

To quote Kirkus reviews, Ladies in Low Places ....(A) healthy dose of Southern humor and style...told with a fresh sensitive voice likely to appeal to readers who appreciate Southern culture in all its myriad forms." I am a Northern and I can say that I appreciate Mary Ann Henry's scenic descriptions set in the"coastal lands of the South Carolina and Georgia Lowcountry". I would love to visit these destinations.

The genres for these stories are Fiction and Women's Fiction. The author describes her characters as charming, witty, some complicated and complex, polite, and of various ages. I love that the author has stories about girls, young ladies and women, from extremely young to those that are more seasoned and senior.

Usually I find it difficult to review a book with stories, but the author has an amazing way of describing her characters and plots in each story, and I found myself captivated by each one.

I appreciate that the author is sensitive to writing about important issues about women. The author discusses family, friends, occupations, aging, loneliness, sexuality, self-worth, confidence, love and hope. She writes about the ups and downs and twists and turns in life and how different women of different ages cope with them. I had to chuckle and found many parts very witty. I received a copy of this book for my honest review. I am sure that you will enjoy these stories. I look forward to reading more of Mary Ann Henry's novels.

Happy Reading!

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### **Gail Hecky says**

Not to be missed, this little book is full of surprise endings and delightfully amusing, interesting characters. Henry is able to paint her colorful characters in clear detail with abundant doses of dry wit and charm.

Ample dialogue moves each tale along quickly and believably. All eighteen short stories offer unique flavors of southern living, preferences and habits, creating a spicy mix of tales I found myself compelled to consume more than once. I loved the unusual perspectives and real-life characters Mary Ann pulls from her pen. Tales are brilliantly imbedded with thought-provoking topics, and sometimes disturbing images, as real life meets supposedly fictional personae. As an additional treat, at the end of the book the author offers questions for many of the stories to invite discussion and sharing. This collection would be fun to use in a classroom, as well as a book club.

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**Emily Tomlinson says**

Ladies in Low Places is a must read, I was so inspired by every short story. Within each story, there was charm and humor. I absolutely enjoyed reading this selection of short stories and would recommend it to any bookworm who loves great southern stories.

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