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The Sweet Potato Queens' Book Of Love



Synopsis

To know the Sweet Potato Queens is to love them, and if you haven't heard about them yet, you will. Since the early 1980s, this group of belles gone bad has been the toast of Jackson, Mississippi, with their glorious annual appearance in the St. Patrick's Day parade. In *The Sweet Potato Queens' Book of Love*, their royal ringleader, Jill Conner Browne, introduces the Queens to the world with this sly, hilarious manifesto about love, life, men, and the importance of being prepared. Chapters include: "The True Magic Words Guaranteed to Get Any Man to Do Your Bidding," "The Five Men You Must Have in Your Life at All Times," "Men Who May Need Killing, Quite Frankly," "What to Eat When Tragedy Strikes, or Just for Entertainment," and, of course, "The Best Advice Ever Given in the Entire History of the World." From tales of the infamous Sweet Potato Queens' Promise to the joys of Chocolate Stuff and Fat Mama's Knock You Naked Margaritas, this irreverent, shamelessly funny book is the gen-u-wine article. Visit the Sweet potato Queens Web site at www.sweetpotatoqueens.com --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

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Customer Reviews

In search of something light and funny, my book group read this book. Some tossed it after only a few chapters. I read all the way through. Younger women will find it horribly dated. And yet, I found this book an interesting read just to try to understand these gals. The writer is a funny lady. Some great lines. Psychologically, she's kind of a mess, though. She physically parodies women who overly sexualize themselves, yet she and the other queens spend endless time and effort in trying to

find the secrets to pleasing men. And yet, the queens seem to want to know this secret info to better use it to manipulate men into essentially worshipping them. We had a lively and very fun discussion on this book.

Not a new book...but if you missed it, buy it! Now...I am Southern, female, and can identify with these crazy, fun-loving women. My age may be up there now, but the heart doesn't grow old. This book was given to me to make me laugh while recovering from a serious illness. It did its job well! I even ended up using part of it in my daughter's toast at her wedding reception. So, only if you love to laugh and do not take life too seriously, go out and read this book! There are the real deal...Southern Belles who know how to live life large while laughing at themselves.

This book made me laugh out loud so often it was hard to read in public because I was afraid I would disturb others in the area. Lots of fun, once I finished it, I went out and bought copies to send to out of town girlfriends. Jill's recipe for Pineapple Casserole has been a big hit at many a pot luck meal since I read this book. There are several other great recipes peppered throughout - it's like sitting down and chatting with one of your crazy fun girlfriends.

The book is dated and lacks a plot. The basis of the Potato Queens seems to be winning admiration. There are no real characters and no story. I read it for book club and no one liked it. One woman was even insulted by it. Not a book for feminists.

This book reminds me of my own value. I am a Queen.

So sorry to have to say so, but this was not at all what I expected.. I thought it would be full of funny Southernese, sort of like Fanny Flagg or Lewis Grizzard. Nope. It is about sex, sex, and more sex. Some chapters are just downright crude. It held a lot of promise, and could have been hilarious, but the Queen chose to take the low road too often. Too bad.

This was selected as a book for my Senior Book Club. I am very far from being a prude, but I just thought that this book read more like a sexy joke book instead of a novel. I actually stopped reading it right before the halfway point and I NEVER give up on a book. I am anxious to see what the other book club members say when we meet in a few weeks. They are all older than I am, so this should be a very interesting meeting...

For me this is too much of the brash southern white woman creating her own style of "Look at me! See what I can do whether you like it or not! Like it or lump it!" It's harmless, I think, just not to my taste." I'm pretty much a southern male (I still like raw sweet potato, which was a plentiful treat for my dog and me) and an academic historian of the American South. I recognize the book as part of a legitimate genre and how it can appeal to many, maybe most readers. I only got through 40%; maybe the last 60% would have been worth my while.

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