

The Unforgettable Journey of Storkbites Memoir by Marie Etienne

From the moment you crack open the pages of Storkbites Memoir, you are transported to a world that is as enchanting as it is heartbreaking. Marie Etienne's captivating storytelling style weaves a tale that will resonate with readers long after they turn the final page.

With each chapter, Marie Etienne paints a vivid picture of her remarkable life, unraveling the threads of her past and presenting them with unflinching honesty and vulnerability. Her memoir is a mosaic of emotions, capturing the highs and lows as she reflects upon the moments that have shaped her into the person she is today.

A Childhood Filled with Riddles and Dreams

Born in a small town on the outskirts of Paris, Marie Etienne's early years were marked by mystery and wonder. The peculiar facial features she possessed at birth earned her the nickname "Storkbites" among her family and friends. Her memoir delves deep into her childhood, presenting a tapestry of memories that blend joy, confusion, and a relentless pursuit of answers.



Storkbites: A Memoir by Marie Etienne(Kindle Edition)

★★★★☆ 4.2 out of 5

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Enhanced typesetting	: Enabled
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From secret adventures in hidden attics to midnight rendezvous with imaginary friends, Etienne recounts the magical moments that allowed her to escape the trials of reality. The reader is captivated by her tales of unearthing long-lost family histories, piecing together ancestral puzzles, and discovering the true meaning of identity.

Love and Loss on the Journey of Self-Discovery

As Marie Etienne grows older, her yearning for answers intensifies. She embarks on a quest to uncover the truth about her origins, taking her on a rollercoaster ride through the pages of history and the depths of her own soul.

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She finds solace in the arms of love, only to be confronted with heartbreak and betrayal. Her memoir weaves a complex web of relationships, intertwining stories of passion and heartache. Etienne's ability to capture the raw emotions of love, desire, and heartbreak is nothing short of remarkable.

As she navigates through a world tinged with sorrow, Etienne also finds moments of hope and redemption. Her courage to confront her darkest fears and her

unwavering determination to shape her own destiny serve as an inspiration to readers.

Unveiling the Unforgettable - Legacy and Transformation

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As the final pages of Storkbites Memoir unfold, Etienne reveals the transformative power of truth and the profound impact it can have on one's life. Her journey is a testament to the resilience of the human spirit and the enduring power of self-discovery.

Marie Etienne's memoir is not just a collection of memories, but a love letter to the human experience. Through her evocative prose and honest introspection, she invites readers on a journey of self-reflection and discovery.

So, grab a copy of Storkbites Memoir and immerse yourself in a world where dreams merge with reality, and where the search for answers ultimately leads to understanding, forgiveness, and the courage to embrace one's true self.



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Praise for Storkbites: A Memoir by Marie Etienne

"Marie Etienne's story of growing up rich in Louisiana, one of 9 children who are each in some way scarred by the experience, leads readers on a harrowing tale of abuse of nearly every kind: physical, verbal, alcoholic, drugs, sexual excess - and above all a family legacy of secret insanity. Push/pull, give/take, love/hate, guilt/forgiveness, monetary generosity/emotional stinginess - these kids were jerked this way and that, and none emerged unscathed. Of the nine children, 2 died of either suicide or murder and the others continue, as adults, to struggle in their own ways with their violent heritage.

Etienne describes her own descent into alcoholism and promiscuity as a teenager and young adult, and she is horrified to find herself following her mother's physical abuse tactics with her own two young sons. We travel with Etienne on the path of healing as she sheds her addictions and discovers ways to forge a new future with her children, a future based on love and trust.

Imminently readable and inspirational." ~ Peggy Vincent - author of Baby Catcher

"A compelling memoir...Etienne's writing is fresh; her epiphany is clear, her ending powerful and satisfying." --San Francisco Chronicle Book Review, August 10, 2003

Storkbites is a complicated portrait of a family...The writing is vivid and honest." -- Adair Lara, Hold Me Close, Let Me Go, August 15, 2003

In her memoir entitled Storkbites, Marie Etienne paints a powerful picture of her wealthy Louisiana family - a mother who bounces from sobriety to drunkenness,

kindness to vicious cruelty, and an eccentric father who takes bizarre steps to protect his nine children from danger. Storkbites weaves two timelines -- one showing a childhood filled with abuse, insanity, and material excess, and the other, the adult trying to make her way in California as a new mom. Murder, suicide, promiscuity, and alcoholism overshadow Mardi Gras balls, Christmas celebrations, and a daughter's bittersweet coming-of-age. Vivid scenes depict Daddy, nightly, tucking his children into bed, and hours later, Momma waking them for a beating.

After years of heavy drinking, Momma lies dying in ICU and pull-the-plug battles emerge among the seven surviving daughters. In the midst of a divorce, Marie sees her handprint on her son's back and vows stop the cycle of abuse-both as victim and perpetrator. Filled with hope, Storkbites shows the fierce love between siblings and the determination of one young mother desperate to escape her abusive past.

Biography: Marie Etienne's writing has appeared in numerous publications including the San Francisco Chronicle, Contra Costa Times, and Diablo Magazine. She is a competitive springboard diver, an accountant, a high school dive coach, and an avid reader. Her second memoir, Confessions of a Bi-Polar Mardi Gras Queen, was published in February 2009. She makes jewelry and steel wire baskets adorned with beads and yarn. Born in Louisiana, Marie now lives in Northern California with her two teenage sons.



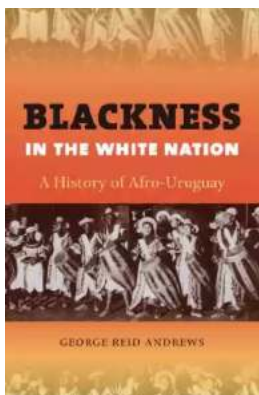
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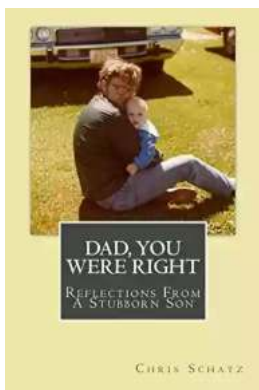
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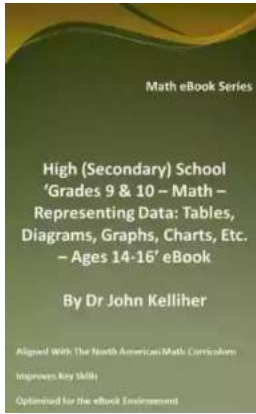
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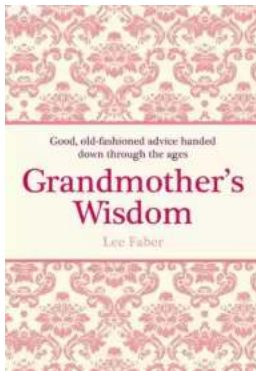
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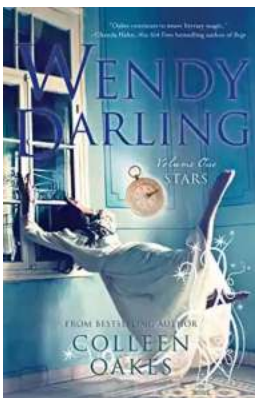
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