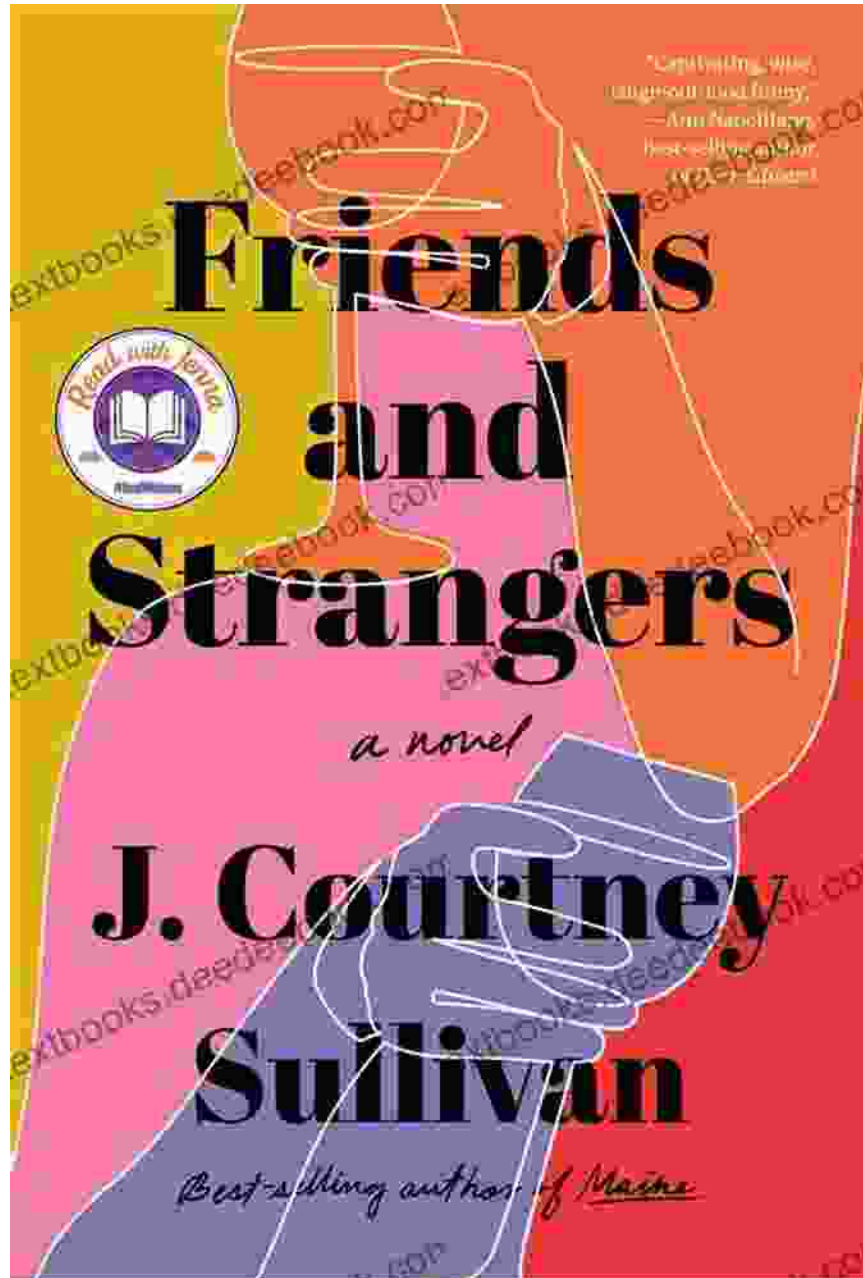
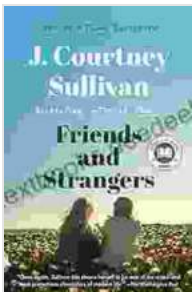


Friends and Strangers: A Novel of Love, Loss, and the Unbreakable Bonds of Family



In J. Courtney Sullivan's latest novel, ***Friends and Strangers***, we are introduced to the Walsh family, a close-knit group of siblings who are grappling with the recent loss of their beloved mother. As they gather at

their childhood home to sort through her belongings and prepare for her memorial service, long-buried secrets and resentments begin to surface, threatening to tear the family apart.



Friends and Strangers: A novel by J. Courtney Sullivan

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At the heart of the story is Elizabeth, the eldest Walsh sibling, who has always been the responsible one, the glue that holds the family together. But in the wake of her mother's death, she is struggling to come to terms with her own grief while also trying to support her siblings. Emily, the middle child, is an aspiring artist who has always felt overshadowed by her older sister. She is fiercely independent and often clashes with Elizabeth, but she loves her family deeply and is desperate to find her own place in the world.

Patrick, the youngest of the Walsh siblings, is a charming and charismatic musician who has always been the life of the party. But underneath his carefree exterior, he is struggling with addiction and a deep-seated sense of loneliness. As the siblings navigate their grief and try to make sense of their lives, they are forced to confront the secrets that have been tearing them apart for years.

Through flashbacks and present-day scenes, Sullivan paints a vivid portrait of the Walsh family, from their idyllic childhood to the challenges they face as adults. She explores the complex dynamics between siblings, the sacrifices they make for one another, and the ways in which they can both hurt and heal each other.

Friends and Strangers is a beautifully written and emotionally resonant novel that will stay with you long after you finish it. It is a story about love, loss, forgiveness, and the unbreakable bonds of family. It is a story that will make you laugh, cry, and ultimately believe in the power of hope.

Praise for *Friends and Strangers*

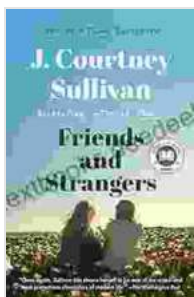
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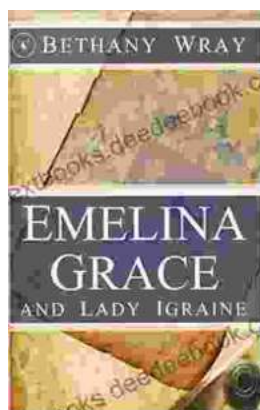
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