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Editorial Review

From Publishers Weekly

Ellie's found her Mr. Right—too bad his mom's got him all wrapped up in her apron strings. Bestseller Green (*Bookends*; *Jemima J*; etc.) saddles her heroine with the mother-in-law from hell in her latest bit of comic frippery. Ellie's mom was an alcoholic who died when Ellie was 13, so it's understandable that at first she's "over the moon" about being embraced by Dan's entire family. But poor Ellie never saw the meddlesome Mrs. Cooper coming. Mrs. Cooper calls her three times a day at work, plays devoted son against desperate daughter-in-law, takes control of the wedding plans and then, after the wedding and then birth of Ellie's son, Tom, seems to forget that Ellie even exists ("Hello, my gorgeous boys," she croons into the answering machine). More and more significant troubles loom: having a baby is hard! Marriage is hard! Green offers scenes of real pathos. ("We've become one of those couples that I used to dread becoming: the couples that sit in restaurants all night and don't say a word to each other"). The setup is solid, but the prose is flat: Ellie narrates with all the energy and élan of a bored, middle-aged housewife. She perks up, though, at the requisite happy ending. (*Apr.*)

From **Booklist**

When Ellie Black meets Dan Cooper, she feels as though she's found her best friend and soul mate. After an idyllic courtship, Dan proposes and Ellie happily accepts. She loves everything about Dan, even his family: his sister, Emma, has become her good friend, and his mother, Linda, might end up being the mother Ellie never had when she was growing up. Ellie's own family was far from ideal--her alcoholic mother died when she was 13, and Ellie and her father withdrew from each other almost completely. She hopes Dan's family will become her own, that is, until she gets to know Linda and realizes how controlling and manipulative she can be. Ellie's resentment toward Linda grows after she gets pregnant and gives birth to Tom. When an accident puts Tom's life at risk, Ellie's bottled-up emotions spill over and threaten not just her relationship with her mother-in-law but her marriage itself. Green, best-selling author of *Jemima J* (2000) and *To Have and to Hold*[BKL Mr 1 04], is particularly adept at producing engaging women's fiction, and her latest is a prime example--warm, convincing, and eminently readable. Although at times Ellie's venomous anger toward her mother-in-law grates, overall, she is a sympathetic heroine. *Kristine Huntley Copyright* © *American Library Association. All rights reserved*

Review

"Un-put-down-able."—Cosmopolitan

"Unexpectedly honest."—Entertainment Weekly

"Warm, convincing and eminently readable."—Booklist

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"The perfect summer read."? Kristin Hannah, #1 New York Times bestselling author

"A warm bath of a novel that draws you in...Green's sympathetic portrayals—resonate."—USA Today

"Warm, witty, sharp and insightful. Jane Green writes with such honesty and zing." Sophie Kinsella, New

York Times bestselling author

"Her compelling tale reflects an understanding of contemporary women that's acute and compassionate, served up with style." ? People

"The kind of novel you'll gobble up at a single sitting."—Cosmopolitan

"A smart, complex, character-driven read."—The Washington Post

"Green's novels consistently deliver believable, accessible, heartfelt, often heartwarming stories about real people, problems, and feelings."—*Redbook*

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