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A novel of suspense that explores the complexities of marriage and the dangerous truths we ignore in the name of love.

When you read this book, you will make many assumptions.

You will assume you are reading about a jealous wife and her obsession with her replacement.

You will assume you are reading about a woman about to enter a new marriage with the man she loves.

You will assume the first wife was a disaster and that the husband was well rid of her.

You will assume you know the motives, the history, the anatomy of the relationships.

Assume nothing.

Discover the next blockbuster novel of suspense, and get ready for the read of your life.

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Patricio says

NOTE: This was only a sample of the first four chapters of this book.

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The premise of the book was enough to make me curious, and these few pages I read were really amazing. I could see that The Wife Between Us has great potential, and I believe it'll reach it because the story is compelling, with a unique character, Vanessa, who has a different, specific goal in her mind, and I'd love to know how it'll be explored.

I didn't actually care about Nellie, though, so I'm wondering if she'll evolve through the book. I'm really curious about what's coming on this thriller

Jensen Little Free Library says

Wow! What a story. I devoured these 4 chapters and can not wait for more.

This is a fantastic thriller about a tangled love triangle and the complications of marriage. It hooks you in from the first sentence and doesn't let go. You can feel the heartache, loss and jealousy in every sentence. If you've been through a divorce or bad breakup, this one will twist your heart and head.

Go grab yourself a copy! You will be very happy you did. This just might be my favorite book of 2018 and it isn't even released yet! I am saying it is GONE GIRL good. Yes. That good. I really hope the rest of the book lives up to my expectations.

I can not wait to receive a full copy for review. January can not come fast enough.

Cindy Roesel says

ASSUME NOTHING.

Women's fiction's obsession with domestic psychological thrillers continues into 2018 with THE WIFE BETWEEN US (St.MartinsPress) written by Greer Hendricks and Sarah Pekkanen. We know there are three sides to every story, but what's going on between Nellie, Emma and Richard involves many, many more. Who is the liar? Who is telling the truth? Assume nothing.

When you read this book, you will make many assumptions, but that will be a mistake. You will assume you are reading about an angry jealous ex-wife. You will assume she is obsessed with her much younger replacement who is about to marry the man they both love. You will assume you've figured out how this love-triangle works. Assume nothing.

THE WIFE BETWEEN US is a fast, plot driven, twisting read that will make you almost want to tear your hair out. Just when you think you've figured it out, BANG, another twist. This is the first time authors Greer Hendricks and Sarah Pekkanen have teamed up together to write a novel. I say, "Well done, Ladies. Write many more."

Victoria Bunce says

Perfect life or a perfect nightmare? Bam! I'm hooked!

Perfect husband. Check.

Perfect wife. Check.

Fairytale wedding. Check.

Perfect life. Check...or maybe not...

Bam! This psychological thriller gave me whiplash and I've only read the first four chapters of THE WIFE BETWEEN US! Five stars is not enough! Four chapters is not enough! I need the whole book stat!

First, I love the cover. It's quite eerie with the two similar women, plus the blue color sets the tone for what you might find inside. I got chills just staring at it.

Just when you think you've got a good handle on the two main characters - wife number one and soon-to-be wife number two - the story twists and turns and you're on a rollercoaster of emotions with no end in sight thanks to the unreliable narrators. This fast-paced story has book hangover stamped all over it. I can't wait to read the entire book!

Vanessa has been discarded by her successful husband, Richard, who traded her in for Nellie, a newer and younger version of the perfect trophy wife. Vanessa tries to cope with the loss of not only her husband but also her whole reason for living. When she loses her identity, she loses her perspective, and that's when the twists and turns take off. Nellie appears to be sugar and spice and everything nice. but there's more to her than meet's the eye, and that's what makes her and this story so intriguing.

Please note: I received the first four chapters via Bookish-First. Thank you to the publisher and author.

If you like psychological thrillers with breathtaking plot twists and addictive characters, this book is for you. Highly recommend!

Lindi says

This was a great book! Very suspenseful and engaging throughout the whole book. I always wanted to keep reading. Lots of twists.

Laura Johnson says

Psychological thriller that kept me guessing until the end. Some aspects were a bit of a stretch but overall it was a great book that I couldn't put down.

Kathleen Sherman says

Well that was quite a ride! Hard to put down once you start. Couldn't wait to see what happened next.

Cheryl Kennedy says

An option for readers before the release date (1-9-18) is to read a Kindle edition of the first four chapters of *THE WIFE BETWEEN US* BY Greer Hendricks and Sarah Pekkanen. After finishing the fourth chapter, I am sold on the foreshadowing, the plot moves on a smooth rail between scenes, and the writing is miles above the ground. I can't wait to read the novel in full, and hope it never lands!

Rea Frey says

From the very first page, I knew I was in for a fun ride. I love reading twisty thrillers with a strong female voice. Because I received an ARC from our publisher, St. Martin's Press, and was made aware of all the twists and turns, I read it from the lens of seeing if I could figure out what was around the corner.

And I was pleasantly surprised.

With a plot that reminded me of *Sleeping With the Enemy* to the shocking bombshell at the end, I relished in spending time dissecting this marriage and all the psychological damage surrounding it.

It's not an easy feat for two women to write a seamless book. Greer and Sarah have established a beautiful rhythm that is sure to keep readers talking about this book long after the last page.

A stunning read from a dynamic duo. Can't wait to see what they come up with next.

Jennifer Walsh says

Great suspense/ mystery/ thriller!

I didn't want to put it down!!!

Karen says

THE WIFE BETWEEN US WRITTEN BY GREER HENDRICKS

This was a slow burning psychological thriller that for personal reasons I picked to read based on the title only. I don't usually choose my books to read for the title only. At times this was confusing for me (It might just be me), but I kept confusing the ex-wife Vanessa with the engaged Emma. I would have to go back and re-read it to know for sure, but the narrative seems to intermingle Vanessa and Emma's jobs and Aunt

Charlotte who is a great support and the only family they both have throughout the entire book besides the epilogue.

Oh my, what a dynamic epilogue this book slam dunks in a huge surprise I never saw coming. This is the type of book where you like it better and appreciate it the more you read. Vanessa is Richard's ex=wife who seems like she is jealous of the character Emma who Richard is planning to marry. At first we question her life style of drinking too much wine and her motives for wanting to stop Richard from marrying Emma.

The more we read we empathize and actually route for Vanessa and want to see her succeed. This is the kind of storytelling where Richard, Emma and Vanessa are not who they are presented to be. The deeper you get into the story you begin to question everything. This was a skillfully written novel that at 354 pages was slightly longer than your typical novel of psychological suspense. Richard's money seems to be no object or worry as he uses it to his advantage. How many times has Richard been married? His sister the only surviving relative plays an eerie role and enables him to hide behind a false persona. I promise all readers that this is unique and as I have mentioned a slow burn in the sense that it becomes addictive the more you read. MIND BLOWING EPILOGUE, and I usually hate epilogues. If you are in the mood for a richly well thought out twisty turn of an ending then look no further then this novel. Recommended!!!!!!!

Thank you to Net Galley, Greer Hendricks and Macmillanusa Publishing for my digital copy in exchange for a fair and honest review.

Cheryl says

Earlier today, I added this book to my TBR list. A few hours later, I was able to read 4 Chapters, and I was correct in putting this one on my list!

If the rest of this book is anything like the first 4 Chapters, I know this will be one book that I won't be able to put down! From what I read, this sounds like a 5/5 read!

Vanessa, ex-wife of Richard, is stalking his fiance Nellie. She thinks Nellie is the reason for the demise of their marriage. However, she hints that if people knew what role she played, sympathy may not be forthcoming.

Is Nellie going to be the victim in this story? But it is hinted that she also has a past that she is not forthcoming about. What is she hiding?

Who is keeping the biggest secrets? And what are they?

I found myself engrossed in this story and desperately want to know the whole story. From what I read, this looks to be a fast-paced psychological thriller!

Linda Strong says

THIS IS A REVIEW OF THE FIRST 4 CHAPTERS ONLY

Nellie is engaged to Richard. Nellie is being followed ... by Vanessa, Richard's ex-wife. Vanessa lost her husband, her home, her life style when Richard told her to leave. Now she's preoccupied with the much younger, prettier woman.

Do you believe any of that? Is it the truth? A lie? A partial truth?

The book promises twists and turns that will astound us, the readers. The first chapters are told mainly in Vanessa's voice. Of course, that may change. Then we, the readers, will have to decide who lies, who doesn't?

I love psychological thrillers that keep me riveted to the pages and keeps me awake thinking about what I've read. I adore characters that could be my neighbors my co-workers ... members of my own family. And the first 4 chapters accomplish all that.

Many thanks to BookishFirst for the digital copy and the opportunity to read and review. Opinions expressed here are unsolicited, unbiased, and entirely my own.

Rebekah says

I am already totally hooked on this one. The story of an ex plotting revenge on her replacement is really nothing new, or so I thought until I started reading this. It's hard to explain, but the tone the authors set and where they choose to start the narrative make it clear that this is a new take on the idea.

I love the switch between perspectives. I am a sucker for that kind of narrative shift, especially when it's done well, as it is here. Rather than just moving back and forth without changing how things sound, each chapter is distinct and unique in its voice. Within the first two, they have managed to flesh out the characters in such a way that I already care about both of them and want to know more about who they are as people and as women. What is truly impressive is that they have successfully humanized the woman who in other hands might be nothing but a crazy ex stereotype. Under the capable hands here, even though I know she is likely going to do bad things to the other main character, I also want to know her story. I want to know how she got to this point and I sympathize with the fact that her life as she knew it was shattered by her divorce. It takes a skilled hand to get me to that point, where I can truly sympathize with someone who seems destined to be the villain.

That being said, I know there could be a major twist coming, which is another reason I want to keep on reading. I already feel that these authors could work a plot twist with a masterful hand, and I am eager to find out for sure.

Bottom line, I have not been this hooked by a novel since "Luckiest Girl Alive", and I have a feeling the payoff in this case will be equally as satisfying.

Kristin says

I really enjoyed the style of writing and the format of the book. I have always had a soft spot for books that change speaker and voice every chapter and for mysteries or thrillers.

I really liked the characterization differences between those in the story. In the first four chapters, Nellie is

described as a pretty straight forward, good person who is grateful to be loved by Richard. Richard is possibly being less than honest and forthcoming with Nellie and may even have committed adultery, but we do not yet know his full story (based on the preview) as the original wife, Vanessa, even identifies herself as not bringing much to the marriage, as someone with a drinking problem, as helping cause the marriage's downfall, as someone who is unreliable and prone to lie, and as someone literally stalking the past.

I would be interested to see where the story goes and would recommend it to lovers of books like *Girl on a Train* and *Gone Girl*.

I really enjoyed the extended excerpt sample and bought the book!
