

## Home Comforts The Art And Science Of Keeping House Cheryl Mendelson

A huge critical and popular success in the US, HOME COMFORTS has established itself as the book that no household should be without. Its scope is truly comprehensive - from setting the table to folding sheets, from the bedroom's ideal humidity to choosing a cookbook, from baking to bacteria - no subject within the realms of domesticity has been left untouched. 'HOME COMFORTS in its own way, is revolutionary. Nothing quite this Beeton-esque has been published in decades it is a manifesto in praise and defence of the home' - Daily Telegraph 'A delight, the book reads like a physiological, updated edition of Mrs Beeton' - The Times 'An extraordinary achievement that has no peer in this century and may well have none in the next' - Newsweek 'With breathtaking comprehensiveness, every domestic task you might have thought of - and many you will not - is explained sensibly, lucidly and in mesmerising detail' - Daily Telegraph 'HOME COMFORTS is riveting. Wonderful even... the book is packed with genuinely useful, even fascinating information... no truly comfortable house should be without a copy' - Literary Review

We all desire a space that feels authentically our own: somewhere we can curl up with a cup of tea or host a dinner party for our favourite people.

Many of us see homemaking as something we will do 'one day' - perhaps when we are no longer renting or when we have a larger budget. But interior decorator Emma Blomfield can help you start making the most of what you've got right now. Emma shares her tips on how to style and maintain every room in your house to achieve a state of meaningful living, and how to decorate and connect with guests through beautiful events.

More Home Comforts introduces 100 new recipes from James Martin, favourites that you will want to cook time and time again. This brand new book features super-fast Instant Comforts, including Pea and Parmesan Soup and Keralan Prawns; Sharing Comforts for when you have a tableful, like

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Lamb Belly with Barbecue Sauce or Dahl Chicken with Naan Bread; Childhood Comforts such as soothing Fish Pie or Tomato Soup; Posh Comforts for when you're entertaining, with the likes of Carpaccio of Tuna and Perfect Rump Steak; Indulgent Comforts that are naughty but nice (Dark and White Chocolate Cherry Brownies, Churros with Peaches and Custard); and Sweet Comforts, with classic cakes and bakes like Fruit Meringue Gateau and Sticky Toffee Roulade. James guides you through the recipes with their clear, easy-to-follow instructions and beautiful photography. Whether you want a seasonal summer salad or an autumnal roast, here are all the recipes you will need from a master of his trade. An instant New York Times Bestseller! The new uplifting book from Matt Haig, the #1 New York Times bestselling author of *The Midnight Library*, for anyone in search of hope, looking for a path to a more meaningful life, or in need of a little encouragement. Named by *The Washington Post* as one of the best feel-good books of 2021. "It is a strange paradox, that many of the clearest, most comforting life lessons are learnt while we are at our lowest. But then we never think about food more than when we are hungry and we never think about life rafts more than when we are thrown overboard." THE COMFORT BOOK is Haig's life raft: it's a collection of notes, lists, and stories written over a span of several years that originally served as gentle reminders to Haig's future self that things are not always as dark as they may seem. Incorporating a diverse array of sources from across the world, history, science, and his own experiences, Haig offers warmth and reassurance, reminding us to slow down and appreciate the beauty and unpredictability of existence.

The Little Book of Living Small  
Love, Work, Children  
Overwhelmed? Disorganized? Living in Chaos? Discover the Secrets That Have Changed the Lives of More Than Half a Million Families...  
Drifts

The British Art of Comfort

How to Free Yourself and Your Family from a Lifetime of Clutter

***A guide to putting authentic comfort into our highly stressed lives. It includes a discussion and bulleted ideas on topics like 'Create Positive Anticipation, 'Enjoy Food Wisely, ' and***

*'Act With Self-Compassion*

*Discusses products, materials and approaches that can make your home low-maintenance or maintenance-free.*

*Following the tremendous success of her first book, a nonfiction work on housekeeping that became a surprise bestseller, Cheryl Mendelson brings to her debut novel the same intensely readable style that made Home Comforts so popular. In the spirit of Anthony Trollope, she roots her story very much in a specific time and place—1999, in an old-fashioned New York City neighborhood that's becoming rapidly gentrified—and the enormously engaging result resembles a twentieth-century version of The Way We Live Now. Anne and Charles Braithwaite have spent their entire married life in a sedate old apartment building in Morningside Heights, a northern Manhattan neighborhood filled with intellectual, artistic souls like themselves, who thrive on the area's abundant parks, cultural offerings, and reasonably priced real estate. The Braithwaites, musicians with several young children, are at the core of a circle of friends who make their living as writers, psychiatrists, and professors. But as the novel opens, their comfortable life is being threatened as a buoyant economy sends newly rich Wall Street types scurrying northward in search of good investments and more space. At the same time, the Braithwaites weather the difficult love lives of their friends, and all of the characters confront their fears that the institutions and social values that have until now provided them with meaning and stability—science, religion, the arts—are in increasing decline. Though the group clings to the rituals and promises of such institutions, the Braithwaites' imminent departure sends shock waves through their community. As the family contemplates the impossible—a move to the suburbs—their predicament represents the end of a cultured kind of city life that middle-class families can no longer afford. This intelligent and captivating social chronicle is the first of a trilogy of novels about Morningside Heights; readers sure to be drawn in by Mendelson's habit-forming prose have much more to look forward to.*

*A NEW YORK TIMES EDITORS' CHOICE NAMED A BEST BOOK OF THE YEAR BY TIME , NPR, INSTYLE, AND GOOD HOUSEKEEPING "A sensational new book [that] tries to figure out whether it's possible to live an ethical life in a capitalist society. . . . The results are enthralling." —Associated Press A timely and arresting new look at affluence by the New York Times bestselling author, "one of the leading lights of the modern American essay." —Financial Times "My adult life can be divided into two distinct parts," Eula Biss writes, "the time before I owned a washing machine and the time after." Having just purchased her first home, the poet*

*and essayist now embarks on a provocative exploration of the value system she has bought into. Through a series of engaging exchanges—in libraries and laundromats, over barstools and backyard fences—she examines our assumptions about class and property and the ways we internalize the demands of capitalism. Described by the New York Times as a writer who “advances from all sides, like a chess player,” Biss offers an uncommonly immersive and deeply revealing new portrait of work and luxury, of accumulation and consumption, of the value of time and how we spend it. Ranging from IKEA to Beyoncé to Pokemon, Biss asks, of both herself and her class, “In what have we invested?”*

*Over 150 Delicious Comfort-Food Classics*

*Forty Rooms*

*The Art and Science of Keeping House*

*More Home Comforts*

*Creating Spaces for Sanctuary and Celebration*

*Home Comforts*

*Commentaries and Annotations on the Holy Scriptures*

The Good Life is a deeply reasoned but entertaining polemic about how the notion of morality has been co-opted by the political right, as the culture increasingly embraces the shallow charms of celebrity, gives a pass when it comes to failings in the realm of marital fidelity, and lives comfortably with the notion that we are all driven, more or less, by greed and the desire for power over others. Mendelson, who is for gay rights, sexual equality, labor unions, and the strong regulation of business and finance, is decidedly conservative when it comes to personal morality. She believes that while the right manages to effectively portray its opponents as socialist slackers, it claims a moral superiority it doesn't at all exhibit, lacking, as she says, moral compassion, one of the essential moral virtues. Provocative, inspiring, and deeply grounded, The Good Life shows that while the moral life is a hard road, the more of us who recognize that it is out there to be attempted, the better our culture will be.

James Martin's huge popularity is due to his simple and accessible recipes. This tie-in book to his enormously successful Home Comforts series sees James in his comfort zone, cooking the food he loves best. He champions local produce and loves growing his own, and this irresistible collection of recipes ranges from fancy dinners to impress friends, to those times when you just need to grab lunch for one in a hurry. The chapters reflect this, they are divided into Lighter Comforts, Quick Comforts, Easy Comforts, Slow Comforts, Spicy Comforts, Sweet Comforts and Baked Comforts. Much-loved for his trademark wholesome, hearty British food, in this book James shows off a fresh, light and ultra-modern side, too, in dishes like Shaved cauliflower salad with barbecued honey tomatoes. The very British love of spicy foods is properly indulged with recipes from all over the world, including Indian deep-fried soft-shell crab with a delicious home-made lime pickle. There is also the true comfort food - such as Chicken and wild mushroom frying pan pie - and old favourites such as chicken Kiev. James is famous for his fabulous puddings and this book does not disappoint. Try the mouth-watering Chocolate and clementine steamed pudding, or bake Lavender shortbread to eat with Lavender crème caramel. Beautifully shot in James's own home, this is a book of irresistible

recipes to use everyday for years to come.

Whether your home is small or large, an apartment in the city or a country cottage, it is a space that should be at once beautiful and livable. The key to that is managing the upkeep without feeling flustered. Until now, there has never been a comprehensive resource that not only tells how to care for your home and everything in it, but that also simplifies the process by explaining just when. With secrets from Martha Stewart for accomplishing the most challenging homekeeping tasks with ease, this detailed and comprehensive book is the only one you will need to help you keep your home looking its best, floor to ceiling, room by room. In Martha Stewart's Homekeeping Handbook, Martha shares her unparalleled expertise in home maintenance and care. Readable and practical—and graced with charts, sidebars, illustrated techniques, and personal anecdotes from Martha's decades of experience caring for her homes—this is far more than just a compendium of ways to keep your house clean. It covers everything from properly executing a living room floor plan to setting a formal table; from choosing HEPA filters to sealing soapstone countertops; from organizing your home office to polishing your silver and caring for family heirlooms. Martha Stewart's Homekeeping Handbook is organized for clarity and maximum practicality: Room by Room covers the upkeep of the appliances, tools, furnishings, and surfaces found in each room, from the entryway to the kitchen, from the attic to the laundry room. Throughout the House instructs the reader on the proper ways to routinely clean and periodically maintain everything in the home, including dusting, sweeping, vacuuming, polishing, scrubbing, waxing and much more. Comfort and Safety focuses on techniques to ensure your home is running properly and safely, such as recognizing when to clean vents, fixing a leaky faucet, and eradicating pests. A-to-Z Materials Guide provides an invaluable resource that explains the unusual materials that many favorite objects are made of—from abalone to zinc—and how to care for them so they last. Encyclopedic yet friendly, Martha Stewart's Homekeeping Handbook is a seminal work—a must-have for everyone who wants a well-cared-for home that will endure for generations.

The creator of the popular cleaning website Clean Mama and author of Clean Mama's Guide to a Healthy Home shows you how to establish systems and rituals to transform your home into a clean, organized, and comfortable space for you and your family. We all want our homes to be cozy and comfortable spaces where we can leave the challenges of the outside world behind and connect with our families. But too often the mess and disorder only add stress. For years, Becky Rapinchuk has taught people how to simplify and improve cleaning routines, and now she reveals a game-changing method to help us find joy and make our chores effortless. By pairing up systems—how we get things done so that they become automatic—with rituals—tasks that bring calm and happiness—we can feel more at peace in our homes. Walking readers through each room of the house, Rapinchuk shows how to put new systems and rituals in place that will make the whole home operate more efficiently. Featuring decision trees, checklists, and space to reflect and record progress, Clean Mama's Guide to a Peaceful Home makes homekeeping a breeze, allowing us to slow down and focus on the things that really matter.

The Art Of Fixing Things 2

The Comfort Book

The Moral Individual in an Antimoral World

Principles of Machines, and how to Repair Them: 170+ Tips and Tricks to Make Things Last Longer, and Save You Money.

Inspiring Moments and Special Memories

A Novel

At Home

*Susan Hill—the Man Booker Prize nominee and winner of the Whitbread, Somerset Maugham, and John Llewellyn Rhys awards—returns with a hair-raising new novel, the ninth book in one of the most acclaimed mystery series of our time. Featuring the enigmatic and brooding chief police inspector Simon Serrailer, this intricate and pulse-pounding series follows a collection of grisly crimes plaguing the city of Lafferton—and The Comforts of Home is the most chilling and unputdownable installment yet. In this gripping new thriller, Simon, eager to be back at work after recovering from a near-fatal injury, takes on a cold-case review for the Lafferton police about a girl who disappeared some years before. Meanwhile, his family adjusts to changes of its own; namely his sister's marriage to Chief Constable Kieron Bright. But when events take an unfavorable turn for the Chief Constable and an arsonist goes on a deadly rampage in Lafferton, Simon's personal and professional lives intertwine in more complex and devastating ways than ever before. In the tradition of the fabulous mysteries of Ruth Rendell and P.D. James, The Comforts of Home is Susan Hill's best work yet—a heart-pounding new addition to a highly-applauded and “elegant†? (The New York Times) series.*

*Have you ever wished you had the time and tools to organize your house in a clutter-free, design-conscious, Pinterest-worthy way? From storage solutions and cleaning tips to secret space-saving methods and expert strategies, The Complete Book of Home Organization is packed with the tips and shortcuts you need to effectively organize your home. From small spaces and apartment solutions to how to tackle a big, messy home with a 15-week total home organization challenge, this book covers it all. The Complete Book of Home Organization spells out everything you need to de-clutter your house, store your belongings, and keep your home—and life—in tip-top shape. With high-quality design, intricate detail, and a durable flexicover—this manual is the perfect gift! Organize the 30 main spaces of your home, including the living and dining spaces, bedrooms and bathrooms, guest areas, baby and kids' rooms, utility spaces and garages, entryways and offices, patios and decks, closets and pet areas! Keep track of your pantry, holiday and craft supplies, weekly menu planning, keepsakes, and schedules. From the basement to the attic, this book covers every nook and cranny. With step-by-step instructions, detailed illustrations, and handy checklists, say goodbye to a messy home and wasted storage space! Complete Home Comforts contains over 150 of James Martin's*

*favourite recipes from his hit TV show. This is James in his comfort zone, cooking the food he loves best. This irresistible collection of recipes ranges from fancy dinners to impress friends, to those times when you just need to make a satisfying lunch for two. The chapters reflect this and are divided into Little Lunches, Family Favourites, Weekends, Spice Suppers, Food with Friends, Summer Nights, Sunday Night Bites, Sweet Treats and Posh Puds. Much-loved for his trademark wholesome, hearty British food, James's recipes are all accessible and easy to follow. The mouth-watering temptations include childhood comforts such as Fish pie or Classic chicken kiev, as well as comforts to share, such as Lamb belly with bbq sauce and pickled red onions, Dahl chicken, chilli paneer and naan, and Keralan prawns. James is famous for his fabulous puddings and this book does not disappoint. Try the mouth-watering Steamed chocolate and clementine sponge with orange sauce, or bake Lavender shortbread to eat with Lavender crème caramel. Beautifully shot in James's own home, this is a book of favourite recipes to use every day for years to come.*

*A modern and energetically designed encyclopedia of DIY with everything you need to know to roll up your sleeves and cook it, build it, sew it, clean it, or repair it yourself. In other words, everything you would have learned from your shop and home ec teachers, if you'd had them. The Useful Book features 138 practical projects and how-tos, with step-by-step instructions and illustrations, relevant charts, sidebars, lists, and handy toolboxes. There's a kitchen crash course, including the must-haves for a well-stocked pantry; how to boil an egg (and peel it frustration-free); how to grill, steam, sauté, and roast vegetables. There's Sewing 101, plus how to fold a fitted sheet, tie a tie, mop a floor, make a bed, and set the table for a formal dinner. Next up: a 21st-century shop class. The tools that everyone should have, and dozens of cool projects that teach fundamental techniques. Practice measuring, cutting, and nailing by building a birdhouse. Make a bookshelf or a riveted metal picture frame. Plus: do-it-yourself plumbing; car repair basics; and home maintenance, from priming and painting to refinishing wood floors.*

*The Art and Science of Managing the Large Family*

*201 Life Skills They Used to Teach in Home Ec and Shop*

*The Complete Book of Home Organization*

*Effortless Systems and Joyful Rituals for a Calm, Cozy Home*

*A Short History of Private Life*

*Home Reference Book*

*The Home Comforts Book of Caring for Clothes and Linens*

*Morningside Heights, a Manhattan neighborhood sandwiched between Columbia*

University and the Hudson River, is home to an eclectic mix of academics, struggling artists, and rooted families. In this distinctive world, Peter Frankel, a successful partner in a prestigious law firm, lives a seemingly contented life with his talented wife and his two Ivy League—educated children. Yet in middle age Peter finds himself discontent. His wife's narrowness and her preoccupation with appearances leaves him cold, his job does not fulfill his creative bent, and he fears that his children, Susan and Louis, have grown into skeptical young adults who shun marriage and stability. So when Peter's wife is badly hurt in a car accident and lies in a coma, he finds himself guiltily relieved—and newly drawn toward his children as they too struggle with ambivalent feelings about the mother who's never really shown them much love. As Susan, a cerebral doctoral student, becomes unhappily involved with an aspiring playwright and Louis is caught up in a futile pursuit of an ambitious journalist, Peter's own quiet life is shaken up, and longings he has stifled for years come rumbling to the surface. Freed from his wife's judgments, Peter throws himself into his greatest pleasure, the work he does for a foundation that funds offbeat artistic projects. And as his passion for this work ignites, so does his desire for another woman. But the stubborn morality that has steered Peter's life is a force to be reckoned with—and one from which he may never entirely escape. *Love, Work, Children* is a profoundly insightful novel about two generations and the colorful urban world they inhabit. A superb portrayal of one of New York's exceptional neighborhoods, this is a story, ultimately, about the self-imposed obstacles to true happiness—and a testament to the joy one can find in overcoming them.

For Cheryl Mendelson, laundering is the best part of housekeeping. It's full of physical pleasures—the look of favorite clothes restored to freshness and beauty, the tactile satisfaction of crisp linens in beautifully folded stacks. Good laundering preserves things you love and protects your pocketbook. It doesn't take much time or effort. What it takes is knowledge, and *Laundry* is the comprehensive, entertaining, and inspiring book on the art of laundering. Culled from the bestselling *Home Comforts*, with revised and updated information and a new introduction, *Laundry* is an indispensable guide to caring for all the cloth in one's home: from kitchen rags to bedding, hand-washables, and baby clothes to vintage linens. Mendelson offers detailed guidance on when to disregard labels, removing stains, making environmentally informed choices, sewing, and storing clothing and fabrics. A much-needed antidote to the standard-issue how-to manual, *Laundry* celebrates the satisfactions of ironing, folding, and caring for clothes and linens. Both pragmatic and eloquent, Mendelson provides beginning and veteran homemakers with a seamless combination of reliable instruction, time-tested advice, and fascinating personal narrative. As a farm girl in Pennsylvania, Mendelson—who is a philosopher, lawyer, and professor, as well as a homemaker, wife, and mother—received a classic domestic education from her grandmothers, aunts, and mother. *Laundry* combines the best of the traditional lore they taught her with the latest in technical and scientific information. Writing with infectious love and respect for her subject, Mendelson is sure to instill in readers a newfound affection and appreciation for the art of laundering.

A charming, practical, and unsentimental approach to putting a home in order while reflecting on the tiny joys that make up a long life. In Sweden there is a kind of decluttering called *döstädning*, *dö* meaning “death” and *städning* meaning “cleaning.” This surprising and invigorating process of clearing out unnecessary belongings can be undertaken at any age or life stage but should be done sooner than later, before others have to do it for you. In *The Gentle Art of Swedish Death Cleaning*, artist Margareta Magnusson, with Scandinavian humor and wisdom, instructs readers to embrace minimalism. Her radical and joyous method for putting things in order helps families broach sensitive conversations, and makes the process uplifting rather than overwhelming.



Margareta suggests which possessions you can easily get rid of (unworn clothes, unwanted presents, more plates than you'd ever use) and which you might want to keep (photographs, love letters, a few of your children's art projects). Digging into her late husband's tool shed, and her own secret drawer of vices, Margareta introduces an element of fun to a potentially daunting task. Along the way readers get a glimpse into her life in Sweden, and also become more comfortable with the idea of letting go.

Fly out of CHAOS (Can't Have Anyone Over Syndrome) into Order—one baby step at a time. With her special blend of housecleaning tips, humor, and musings about daily life, Marla Cilley, a.k.a. The FlyLady, shows you how to manage clutter and chaos and get your home—and your life—in order. Drawn from the lessons and tools used in her popular mentoring program, the FlyLady system helps you create doable housekeeping routines and break down overwhelming chores into manageable missions that will restore peace to your home—and your psyche. Soon you'll be able to greet guests without fear, find your keys, locate your kids, and, most of all, learn how to FLY: Finally Love Yourself.

Sink Reflections

Make Your House Do the Housework

The Ultimate Guide to Creating a Comfortable, Healthy, Efficient, and Long Lasting Home  
Clean Mama's Guide to a Peaceful Home

Morningside Heights

Complete Home Comforts

The Essential Guide to Caring for Everything in Your Home

**“A lyrical, fragmentary, and heartfelt story about the beauty and difficulty of artistic isolation.” —Kirkus Reviews (starred review)**

**Named a Best Book of the Year by The Paris Review, Elle, Harper's Bazaar, Esquire, Vulture, and Refinery29 “Reading all Zambreno feels like the jolt one gets from a surprise cut or burn in the kitchen, that sudden recognition that you're in a body and the body can be hurt.”**

**—Alicia Kennedy, Refinery29 Haunting and compulsively readable, Drifts is an intimate portrait of reading, writing, and creative obsession. At work on a novel that is overdue, spending long days walking neighborhood streets with her restless terrier, corresponding ardently with fellow writers, the narrator grows obsessed with the challenge of writing the present tense, of capturing time itself.**

**Entranced by the work of Rainer Maria Rilke, Albrecht Dürer, Chantal Akerman, and others, she photographs the residents and strays of her neighborhood, haunts bookstores and galleries, and records her thoughts in a yellow notebook that soon subsumes her work on the novel. As winter closes in, a series of disturbances—the appearances and disappearances of enigmatic figures, the burglary of her apartment—leaves her distracted and uncertain . . . until an intense and tender disruption changes everything. A story of artistic ambition, personal crisis, and the possibilities and failures of literature, Drifts is the work of an exhilarating and vital writer.**

**Home Comforts is something new. For the first time in nearly a century, a sole author has written a comprehensive book about housekeeping. This is not a dry how-to manual, nor a collection of odd**

tips and hints, a cleaning book, a history book, or an arid encyclopedia compiled by a committee or an institute. Home Comforts is a readable explanation for both beginners and experts of all the domestic arts -- choosing fabrics, keeping the piano in tune, caring for books, making a good fire in the fireplace and avoiding chimney fires, ironing and folding, setting up a good reading light, keeping surfaces free of food pathogens, and everything else that modern people might want to do for themselves in their homes. But this reliable and thorough book on the practicalities of housekeeping is also an argument for the importance of private life and the comforts offered by housekeeping. Cheryl Mendelson is a philosopher, lawyer, sometime professor, and a homemaker, wife, and mother. Home Comforts is based on her domestic education, which she acquired while growing up on a farm in the hills of Greene County, in southwestern Pennsylvania, from her grandmothers, aunts, and mother. Learning from the distinct domestic styles of her native Appalachian relatives and her Italian immigrant relatives, she appreciated early on how important domestic customs are to a sense of comfort and identity in life. She writes out of love and respect for her subject, and hopes to inspire others to develop the affection and respect for home life and housework she was fortunate to have learned. Mendelson addresses the meanings as well as the methods of housekeeping with a keen sense of the history and values involved. The result is a warm, good-humored, engagingly written book with a message and a point of view, one that is overflowing with useful reflections and information. The clarity, breadth, and depth of the information collected here are unparalleled. You can read Home Comforts for thoughtful entertainment or use its ample index to help you find the answers to practical domestic questions. There is nothing quite like it. Among this book's unique features:

- A skeptical discussion of the excessive use of disinfectants in the home.
- How to iron a dress shirt and how to fold sheets.
- How to make up a bed with hospital corners.
- How to do all basic sewing stitches.
- How to choose proper sizes for sheets, tablecloths, and other household linens.
- How to set the table for informal and formal meals.
- Expert recommendations for safe food storage.
- The most exhaustive and reliable information on fabrics, textile fibers, and their laundering, drying, and other care that exists for nonprofessionals.
- A thorough explanation of care labels and why and how you should often (carefully) disregard them.
- Housekeeping guidelines for people with pets or with allergies.
- What to do about dust mites.
- How to clean and care for wood, china and crystal, jewelry, ceramic tile, metals, and more.
- Guides to stain and spot removal.
- Extensive recommendations for improving home safety.
- A summary of laws applicable to the

**home, including privacy, accident liability, contracts, and domestic employees. · · 200 Elegant, Clear Drawings ·**

**The word home inspires the senses and awakens sweet memories of yesterday. This warm tribute to hearth and home explores how each of the five senses--sight, sound, touch, taste, and smell--enhances the family experience. Showcasing well-known artist Susan Winget, each page holds a scene as cozy and warm as the memory it depicts.**

**Stirring quotes, a few delicious recipes, and many time-tested ideas, several from Susan herself, encourage readers to create their own welcoming settings and memorable experiences to savor through the years. This lovely book makes a wonderful gift of appreciation for friends and family in addition to a wedding or housewarming gift.**

**The Danes have hygge. The Swedes have lagom. Now, Laura Weir, a beloved lifestyle journalist and editor-in-chief of London Evening Standard's weekly ES magazine, introduces American readers to the Brits' best-kept secret—coziness—an indulgent, luxurious, yet unfussy way of creating comfort and joy. Cosy is “the slacker's guide to staying at home, an antidote to peak frazzle.” With trademark Anglo**

**cheekiness, Laura Weir perfectly captures the British essence of cosy. She celebrates socks, warms to the joys of toasty open fires, and extols the virtues of a quiet walk, ultimately enticing us all to create the British magic of cosy in our everyday lives. With more than 140 whimsical illustrations and interviews with British lifestyle experts, including Melissa Hemsley, Sophie Dahl, and Dolly Alderton, Cosy is a perfect reminder to slow down, have a cuppa, and settle in when life pushes you into overdrive.**

**Pleasures and Terrors of Domestic Comfort**

**The Useful Book**

**The Home Comfort Book**

**Dad's Own Housekeeping Book**

**The Book of Comforts**

**Zen and the Art of Housekeeping**

**Vintage Advice and Practical Science for the 21st-Century Household**

Prioritizing your time and your life, you'll be able to manage a bustling home in a way that honors God and builds up family relationships. By following the clear model of Proverbs 31:10, and adapting the characteristics that make up a faithful homekeeper, you too can become an "Excellent Wife."

Wash the dishes, do the laundry, mop the floors, scrub the toilets, make the beds, vacuum the rugs...the list goes on and on, with little time to stop, breathe, and take in your beautiful surroundings. Now you can. Learn to be at peace and attain enlightenment while doing all the “little” things around the house. Your floors and counters will shine as you become one with your home and gain an elevated

sense of being. Zen and the Art of Housekeeping challenges you to put more than elbow grease into your daily routine. You'll learn how to spirit yourself away during mundane chores as you muse over thought-provoking Zen koans like: If the kitchen is the heart of the home, what is the heart of the kitchen? What is the color of clean? If the purpose of cleaning is to remove dirt, what is the purpose of dirt? What fills empty spaces? Whose footprints are on your floor? With Zen and the Art of Housekeeping, you'll scrub your way to enlightenment—and a spotless sink.

A fascinating work of what you might call domestic science: our homes, how they work, and the fascinating history of how they got that way. Bill Bryson and his family live in a Victorian parsonage in a part of England where nothing of any great significance has happened since the Romans decamped. Yet one day, he began to consider how very little he knew about the ordinary things of life as found in that comfortable home. To remedy this, he formed the idea of journeying about his house from room to room to "write a history of the world without leaving home." The bathroom provides the occasion for a history of hygiene; the bedroom, sex, death, and sleep; the kitchen, nutrition and the spice trade. Bryson shows how each has shaped the evolution of private life. Whatever happens in the world, he demonstrates, ends up in our house, in the paint and the pipes and the pillows and every item of furniture.

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The Comforts of Home

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The Good Life

Keeping House

The Path to Finding Meaning in Your Cleaning

Having and Being Had

Timeless Wisdom and Practical Advice

*Just because you're born with a "Y" chromosome doesn't excuse you from cleaning the bathroom, especially in this day and age when time's at a premium and partners have to be, well, partners. To help men step up to the plate (and wash it) is DAD'S OWN HOUSEKEEPING BOOK, the book of everything your mother never taught you about taking care of a house. Written by a real guy, in a real guy's voice and with a direct guy-to-guy point of view, DAD'S OWN HOUSEKEEPING BOOK—in the spirit of Dad's Own Cookbook, with 270,000 copies in print—takes even the most Swiffer-challenged dad and shows him that housekeeping is no different from yard work, that if you can organize your shop you can organize a kitchen, and if you can load a trunk you can load a dishwasher. From laundry room to attic storage, from the "Five-Minute Attack Plan: Bathroom" to the all-out assault of spring cleaning (it really does make a big difference), from mold to stains to picking-up-after-the-kids-without-driving-yourself-crazy, this is the comprehensive crash course. Here's how to do the laundry without dulling colors. Stock*

*the pantry to make weekday meals infinitely easier. How to get mildew off the shower tiles. How to make a bed—in one minute. How to be best friends with baking soda—just one of the many tips the author gives for saving money. And what you can do in thirty minutes to make your house completely presentable for your mother-in-law. Sorry, no more excuses.*

*"This history is . . . the first fully-fleshed story of African Nairobi in all of its complexity which foregrounds African experiences. Given the overwhelming white dominance in the written sources, it is a remarkable achievement."—Claire Robertson, International Journal of African Historical Studies* *"White's book . . . takes a unique approach to a largely unexplored aspect of African History. It enhances our understanding of African social history, political economy, and gender studies. It is a book that deserves to be widely read."—Elizabeth Schmidt, American Historical Review*

*Our consumer society needs a reality check. The landfills are overflowing, the oceans are full of plastic, North American money is now used by China to buy more weapons, and still we think a product that lasts only 4 years is a good one. This book contains over 170 tips, tricks and hacks to help you repair, reuse, lead a simpler life and save money. We have entered a Grand Solar Minimum and it will get colder. This is your Darwin Moment. Survival will no longer be simple, but if you are prepared it will be easier. Inside is a guide inspired by the wisdom of the do-it-yourselfers of 100 years ago. Find out how to use tools, make things last longer, repair them when they break and live a simpler life. Make something at adult education night. Find out which tools are actually useful. How to remove a car engine in your back yard. Get through snow drifts using snow The uses of a come-along winch. Strengthen weak and wobbly furniture. Bend metal with a metal bender. Repair broken windows and dripping taps. Reset the oven temperature on your electric stove. What to do about a "bang" in the fridge. Fix your electric stove elements. Repair a screen and frustrate the mosquitos. The basics of lumber and what is not lumber. Using a table saw, countersink and hand plane. How to get rid of pests: rats, bugs, ants and wasps. Finding the hydraulic oil filter on your tractor. How growing trees in your yard affect your wood stove. Why you should get your wood stove very hot in the morning. The challenges of life in the country and how to meet them. Staying warm with wood heat. Knowing what questions to ask. Getting good stuff for FREE. The ideas and information presented in this book will inspire you and give you great confidence that taking charge of your possessions and your life is not only easy, it is fun, and more rewarding than just buying something new. IT IS EASY AND YOU CAN DO IT!!*

*Ranging from suggestions for the care of musical instruments to maintaining home safety, a celebration of and guide to the finer points of home-keeping offers a contemporary, creative, and positive take on a traditional subject*

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*A Simon Serrailer Case*

*Mrs. Dunwoody's Excellent Instructions for Homekeeping*

*The Encyclopedia of Home*

*The Gentle Art of Swedish Death Cleaning*

*Large Family Logistics*

*Martha Stewart's Homekeeping Handbook*

Revisit the home-economics textbooks of yore to get the best vintage advice on shopping, cooking, decorating, and budgeting your way to a happy, healthy household “Housekeeping is becoming more and more a matter of science, and the laurels are bound to fall to the woman who conducts her household in a business-like way.” Let the thrifty sensibility of yesteryear be your guide as you shop for the most economical foods, choose wall colors scientifically, clean with natural products, look your best without breaking the bank, and budget your way to frugal efficiency. In this amazing collection of clever wisdom and practical advice drawn from vintage home-economics textbooks, you ’ ll find everything you need to get back to basics and run a healthy and happy household. Home Economics covers all the categories of delightful domesticity: • Health & Hygiene • Cookery & Recipes • Manners & Etiquette • Design & Decoration • Cleaning & Safety • Gardening & Crafts Rediscover the art and science of keeping house—economically!

Totally original in conception and execution, *Forty Rooms* is a mysterious, withholding, and ultimately, emotionally devastating. Grushin is dealing with issues of women's identity, of women's choices, in a way no modern novel has explored so deeply. When our protagonist finds her children grown and her husband absent, she must evaluate the choices that led her away from her bohemian poet dream and into a comfortable marriage. Was it a life well lived? A life complete? Does such a life really exist? This ambiguity is the core of this provocative novel.

Are rooms of your house uncomfortable or unusable at different times of the year? Is your home drafty in winter? Do you get hit with a wave of heat walking upstairs in summer? Are mold or pests frequent problems in your home? Do you get big icicles in winter? Do you suspect your home is making you sick? Do you sleep better out of your house? Do you have a damp, dank basement? How about air quality problems like dust or odors? Are you ready to solve those problems? Then this book is for you. Before you can solve a problem, you need to understand what is causing the problem. This book explains how your home actually works so you can address root causes, not symptoms. We've seen far too many folks waste thousands of dollars addressing the wrong problem. Armed

with this book, you can find the right pros to solve problems, understand if the work was done right, and even DIY many things yourself. This is the book I wish I had when I entered the Home Performance field. It connects theory to action and shows real world examples of work being done and the results achieved. It assumes you're a building science novice as well as smart and willing to learn. You'll learn about how your home works, what to look for in a new heating and cooling (HVAC) system, what kinds of insulation work best and why, how to choose and install the right bath fan, and more. Everything in this book is backed up by field experience, data, and an overwhelming passion to do things right the first time.

Mrs. Dunwoody is a character based on the author's great grandmother and other traditional Southern women who believe in the importance of making a house a home.

Laundry

Cosy

Prostitution in Colonial Nairobi

Simple, Powerful Ways to Comfort Your Spirit, Body And Soul

Home Economics

Sweet Comforts of Home

A comprehensive guide to small-space secrets and real-life solutions for living in 1,200 square feet or less. The Little Book of Living Small shows readers how to make the most of limited square footage—with grace and style—and serves as the cheerleader readers need to help themselves feel satisfied and proud of their choice to live with less. In addition to exploring both the motivation behind choosing to live in a small space, as well as the practical, everyday advice for managing a tight footprint, The Little Book of Living Small also includes case studies: 12 style-savvy, small-space dwellers open their doors and share their design secrets. Author Laura Fenton covers a range of homes including studio apartments, one- and two-bedroom houses, a tiny house, a co-living space, and even whole houses. Stylistically these homes range from urban, rural, minimalist, and country, with the unifying thread that they are all real homes of less than 1,200 square feet that offer clever solutions that readers can use in their own homes. Laura Fenton is the lifestyle director at Parents magazine. With more than fifteen years of experience, her work has appeared in major publications including Better Homes & Gardens, Country Living, Good Housekeeping, and on leading home websites including Remodelista.com, HGTV.com, ElleDecor.com, HouseBeautiful.com, Refinery29, and elsewhere. Through her writing she has explored the topic of living small for more than a decade. She lives small with her husband, a photographer, and their son in Jackson Heights, Queens, in New York.