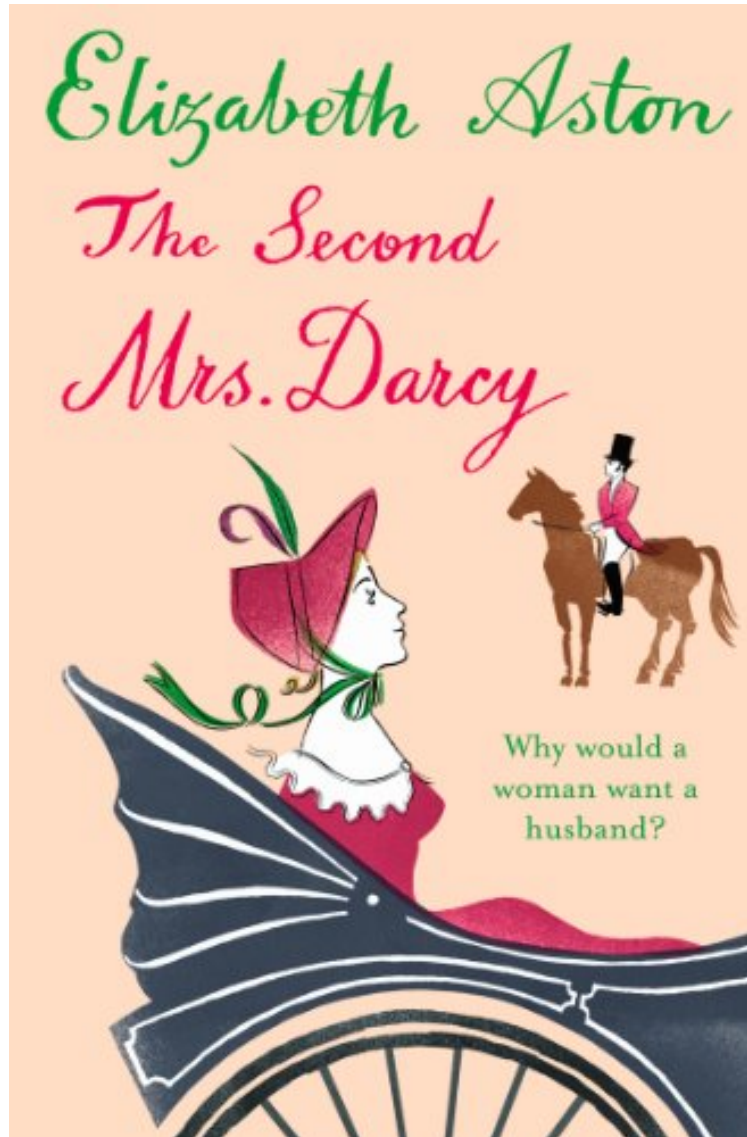


The Second Mrs Darcy

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KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen2 von 2 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. nett!!Von BineEs ist weniger die Geschichte, die dieses Buch lesenswert macht, sondern der nette Schreibstil ganz nach Jane Austen: etwas gestelzt, aber witzig und prgnant. Fr meinen Geschmack ist die Romanze etwas zu kurz gekommen und sie wirkt auch ein bisschen geknstelt. Aber wie gesagt: Das Buch ist sehr schn zu lesen, vor allem

wenn man Jane Austen mag.

Kurzbeschreibung Romance and scandal abound in this warm and witty tale of the young Octavia Darcy. Perfect for Austen addicts everywhere! I am a woman of independent means, definitely in possession of a good fortune, but I am not in the least in want of a husband! So declares Octavia Darcy. Raised as a poor relation, she is sent off to India to be married, only to have her brief happiness as the second wife of Captain Darcy dashed by his early death. But an unexpected legacy leaves her extremely well off and for the first time ever she can decide her own fate. Suddenly everyone wants to know her and pay court to her. Who can she rely on? Luckily her new-found acquaintance with her Darcy cousins takes her to Netherfield Hall, which has an argumentative but undoubtedly intriguing new tenant. From Publishers Weekly Aston's latest novel (after *The True Darcy Spirit*) focuses on another woman in the tradition of Elizabeth Bennet, Octavia Melbury. Tall and outspoken, Octavia fails to find a husband in London and is dispatched to India, where she is to live with relatives. There, she marries Capt. Christopher Darcy, but their happy union is cut short when he dies from an insect bite. Christopher's spiteful cousin, George Warren, nabs the estate and leaves Octavia with a pittance. However, a surprise and sizable inheritance comes Octavia's way, and she travels back to England, where she keeps mum about her newfound fortune while her conniving half-sister Theodosia schemes to marry her off. Octavia takes a shine to her smart, headstrong niece, Penelope, who, in turn, fancies a man of lower stature than her mother will accept. Not so for Octavia, whose rocky repartee with Lord Sholto Rutherford matures, inevitably, into love. Meanwhile, George realizes Christopher's inheritance isn't as large as he had thought and plots to steal Octavia's fortune. Aston's villains may be one-note wicked, but the lengths to which their puerile greed sends them make for good reading. Fans of the series will enjoy this chronicle of reversals of fortune. (Mar.) Copyright Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved. Pressestimmen `Those who enjoy Austen will certainly enjoy Aston's work, as will historical readers who want an engaging plot and characters.' *Library Journal* `Delightful.' *Publishers Weekly* `In the mode of Heyer and Austen, Elizabeth Aston...comments on the period with affection, respect and a ready wit.' *Good Book Guide* `This novel is written with grace, charm and wit...It is an entertaining, engaging and engrossing romp through Regency London that sparkles like the champagne which is opened at the end of the novel' *Historical Novels*