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A Rosemary Beach Novel Simon and Schuster

A clear path to overcoming uncertainty, perfectionism, and fears of rejection so you can finally find peace with the past and create a happier, healthier future “Poppy’s powerful approach will help you take control of your thoughts so they don’t control you.”—Lori Gottlieb, New York Times bestselling author of *Maybe You Should Talk to Someone* Even before the pandemic brought on a crushing wave of stress, anxiety, isolation, life change, and financial struggle, there was already a growing mental health crisis. Due to a culture that encourages perfection, hustle, and fictional life/work balance, many are burning out. Behind her Instagram-projected image of “happy wellness founder,” Poppy Jamie was also struggling mightily with perfectionism and life purpose. She began working with mental health experts and researchers to find practical tools to overcome her inner critic and rewire her mind. She discovered that it is possible to create new neural pathways in your brain to break patterns of avoidance, challenge fears of not being good enough, and turn failure around by stretching the mind with new, healthier thought habits. The old wiring (and habits) that you’ve been stuck with can be written-over. You can actually upgrade your headspace to make curiosity, vulnerability, compassion, and emotional flexibility your default settings. In the emphatic and trusted voice of Bridget Jones meets neuroscience, Poppy shares her Flexy Thoughts approach for changing how you react to emotional triggers and think of yourself while improving your mental and physical health, relationships, and vision of the future. Our emotional resilience may continue to be tested, but the new perspectives and strategies in *Happy Not Perfect* will help us bring confidence, adaptability, and acceptance to whatever comes next.

Simple Perfection Harper Collins

I Am Not Perfect is a simple statement of profound truth, the first step toward understanding the human condition, for to deny your

essential imperfection is to deny yourself and your own humanity. The spirituality of imperfection, steeped in the rich traditions of the Hebrew prophets and Greek thinkers, Buddhist sages and Christian disciples, is a message as timeless as it is timely. This insightful work draws on the wisdom stories of the ages to provide an extraordinary wellspring of hope and inspiration to anyone thirsting for spiritual growth and guidance in these troubled times. Who are we? Why do we so often fall short of our goals for ourselves and others? By seeking to understand our limitations and accept the inevitability of failure and pain, we begin to ease the hurt and move toward a greater sense of serenity and self-awareness. *The Spirituality Of Imperfection* brings together stories from many spiritual and philosophical paths, weaving past traditions into a spirituality and a new way of thinking and living that works today. It speaks to anyone who yearns to find meaning within suffering. Beyond theory and technique, inside this remarkable book you will find a new way of thinking, a way of living that enables a truly human existence.

Process Not Perfection Rodale Books

Abbi Glines concludes the irresistible story of Woods and Della in the #1 New York Times bestselling *Rosemary Beach* series. Woods had his perfect life mapped out for him. Rise up the ranks of the family business. Marry the rich girl of his parents’ dreams. Pretend that wealth and privilege was all he’d ever wanted. Then a girl named Della breezed into town, a beautifully imperfect stranger who captured his heart and opened his eyes to a new kind of future. Woods is ready and willing to sacrifice everything for her when the sudden death of his father leaves him with his mother to care for and a business to manage. Della is determined to be strong for Woods, even as she’s quietly falling to pieces. No matter how far from home she’s run, the ghosts of her past have never stopped haunting her. Struggling to hide her true feelings from Woods, Della fears she can’t be his rock without dragging him down into the darkness with her. But is she strong enough to let go of the last thing holding her together?

The Mindful Path to Addiction Recovery Little, Brown Books for Young Readers

The disconnection between spirituality and passionate love leaves

a broad sense of dissatisfaction and boredom in relationships. The author illustrates how our vitality and capacity for joy depend on restoring the soul of the sacred prostitute to its rightful place in consciousness.

Creating Myself Conari Press

A NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER From a renowned behavioral neuroscientist and recovering addict, a rare page-turning work of science that draws on personal insights to reveal how drugs work, the dangerous hold they can take on the brain, and the surprising way to combat today's epidemic of addiction. Judith Grisel was a daily drug user and college dropout when she began to consider that her addiction might have a cure, one that she herself could perhaps discover by studying the brain. Now, after twenty-five years as a neuroscientist, she shares what she and other scientists have learned about addiction, enriched by captivating glimpses of her personal journey. In *Never Enough*, Grisel reveals the unfortunate bottom line of all regular drug use: there is no such thing as a free lunch. All drugs act on the brain in a way that diminishes their enjoyable effects and creates unpleasant ones with repeated use. Yet they have their appeal, and Grisel draws on anecdotes both comic and tragic from her own days of using as she limns the science behind the love of various drugs, from marijuana to alcohol, opiates to psychedelics, speed to spice. With more than one in five people over the age of fourteen addicted, drug abuse has been called the most formidable health problem worldwide, and Grisel delves with compassion into the science of this scourge. She points to what is different about the brains of addicts even before they first pick up a drink or drug, highlights the changes that take place in the brain and behavior as a result of chronic using, and shares the surprising hidden gifts of personality that addiction can expose. She describes what drove her to addiction, what helped her recover, and her belief that a “cure” for addiction will not be found in our individual brains but in the way we interact with our communities. Set apart by its candor, and bell-clear writing, *Never Enough* is a revelatory look at the roles drugs play in all of our lives and offers crucial new insight into how we can solve the epidemic of abuse.

A Process of Psychological Transformation Shambhala

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Breaking free of outdated explanations and rigid "rules" for recovery, *The Abstinence Myth* offers a hopeful, research-based framework for transformation by an addiction expert and renowned TEDx speaker who overcame his own addiction and has guided hundreds of clients into lives of joy and purpose. In this simple yet radical new book, Adi Jaffe, PhD, draws on his own life experience, cutting-edge research, and work with hundreds of clients and families to offer a new perspective on addiction and a new pathway out of its grasp. *The Abstinence Myth* introduces the IGNTD RECOVERY METHOD, including: - Details of Adi's dramatic and inspiring personal story.- The Mythology of Addiction and how it gets in our way with spiritual, biological, psychological, and environmental assumptions that are, in fact, only true some of the time for some people.- Why the concept of "abstinence" is often a barrier to change and is not necessary for everyone for all time.- Important research that will shift your thinking, sense of hope, and success. - Why shame can keep holding you back--and finding the way out.- An explanation of the 3 IGNTD principles and the 9 steps to personalize your unique recovery path.It's time to throw out the "rulebook." You can overcome the hopelessness, the doubt, and move forward. You can create a life you're proud of. Whether you're seeking help for yourself, a loved one, or anyone you might be guiding through a personal transformation, *The Addiction Myth* will change lives

Storytelling and the Search for Meaning K.B. Ritchie

In this practical and moving how-to guide, celebrity facialist Kate Somerville shares her years of experience for getting skin glowing. Whatever your age, ethnicity, skin type, or concern—be it acne or aging—Kate provides simple strategies for achieving Complexion Perfection. She defines her philosophy and identifies the top five elements for a lifetime of healthy skin. Plus, she helps you understand cutting-edge treatments, effective technologies and ingredients, and how diet and lifestyle impact your skin. Witness the incredible makeovers that Kate did on her clients and read the touching testimonials. And learn hair, makeup, and fashion tips from Kate's "Hollywood Glam Squad." Find your complexion questions answered and your soul inspired . . . because Kate truly believes that changing skin changes lives! *Addiction to Perfection* Tyndale House Publishers, Inc.

On November 7, 1993, Marion Woodman was diagnosed with

uterine cancer. Here, in journal form, is the story of her illness, her healing process, and her acceptance of life and death. Breathtakingly honest about the factors she feels contributed to her cancer, Woodman also explains how she drew upon every resource—physical and spiritual—available to her to come to terms with her illness. Dreams and imagery, self-reflection and body work, and both traditional and alternative medicine play distinctive roles in Woodman's recovery. Her personal treasury of art, photographs, and quotations—from Dickinson to Blake to Rumi—embellish this unique chronicle of a very personal journey toward transformation.

How I Learned That Beauty Comes in All Shapes, Sizes, and Packages, Including Me Scribner

Perfection. It sounds appealing - what's better than perfect? The allure of perfection draws us in, and once tasted, we tell ourselves good will never be good enough again. Learn how you can break its grip in *The Perfection Paradox*.

A Practical Guide to Regaining Control over Your Life Dial Press
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Perfection Addiction to PerfectionThe Still Unravished Bride : a Psychological Study"This book is about taking the head off an evil witch". With these words Marion Woodman begins her spiral journey, a powerful and authoritative look at the psychology and attitudes of modern women. Marion Woodman continues her remarkable exploration of women's mysteries through case material, dreams, literature and mythology, in food rituals, rape symbolism, Christianity, imagery in the body, sexuality, creativity and relationships.*Addiction to PerfectionThe Still Unravished Bride*"This book is about taking the head off an evil witch." A powerful study of the nature of the feminine in food rituals, dreams, mythology, body work, Christianity, sexuality, creativity and relationships.*Coming Home to MyselfReflections for Nurturing a Woman's Body and Soul*

LONGLISTED for the NATIONAL BOOK AWARD A "blistering yet tender" (Publishers Weekly) memoir that chronicles one chef's journey from foraging on her family's Midwestern farm to running her own Michelin-starred restaurant and finding her place in the world. Iliana Regan grew up the youngest of four headstrong girls on a small farm in Indiana. While gathering raspberries as a toddler, Regan learned to only pick the ripe fruit. In the nearby

fields, the orange flutes of chanterelle mushrooms beckoned her while they eluded others. Regan's profound connection with food and the earth began in childhood, but connecting with people was more difficult. She grew up gay in an intolerant community, was an alcoholic before she turned twenty, and struggled to find her voice as a woman working in an industry dominated by men. But food helped her navigate the world around her—learning to cook in her childhood home, getting her first restaurant job at age fifteen, teaching herself cutting-edge cuisine while hosting an underground supper club, and working her way from front-of-house staff to running her own kitchen. Regan's culinary talent is based on instinct, memory, and an almost otherworldly connection to ingredients, and her writing comes from the same place. Raw, filled with startling imagery and told with uncommon emotional power, *Burn the Place* takes us from Regan's childhood farmhouse kitchen to the country's most elite restaurants in a galvanizing tale that is entirely original, and unforgettable.

The Abstinence Myth NLA Digital LLC

George is looking for a way to beat the summer heat. Swimming, running through sprinklers, a glass of lemonade—none can help George cool off! What George really wants is a sweet, cold treat from the ice cream truck, but will he ever catch it?

POSITIVE ADDICTION Inner City Books

The author of *Reality Therapy* and *Take Effective Control of Your Life* shows readers how to gain strength and self-esteem through positive behavior.

A Journey Out of the Grips of Adderall Health Communications, Inc.

Using Jungian psychology, this book demonstrates why the 12 steps of AA work.

A Memoir Simon and Schuster

At a time when we are witnessing the return of the World Soul, the rise of feminine consciousness and the re-enchantment of Nature, the friendship between Marion Woodman and Elinor Dickson offers us a rare glimpse into the new story yearning to be born. *Dancing at the Still Point* reveals a remarkable friendship rooted in Soul that is both deeply personal and transpersonal. Prompted by a dream in which Marion told her to write about their friendship, Elinor has succeeded in weaving their shared visions, dreams and insights with the playfulness, challenges, and honesty they shared over thirty-four years. Like all deep friendships,

Marion and Elinor mirrored each other while mutually affirming their individual destinies. This is a book that celebrates the gift of friendship as a compelling model for community in these times. As Marion would say, “where soul meets soul that’s love” and love is the field in which we are all called to dance. Elinor Dickson, Ph.D., is a psychologist, Jungian therapist, lecturer and workshop leader. She is the co-author of *Dancing in the Flames* written with Marion Woodman. She lives in Toronto, Ontario
Addicted to Perfect Hay House, Inc

In this collaborative work by a Jungian analyst and her analysand, a woman learns to understand her dreams, visions and emotions, and especially the kinship between sexuality and spirituality, acquiring in the process an authentic sense of self.

The Still Unravished Bride : a Psychological Study Anchor

She’s fought like hell to leave the past behind. Trix changed her name and her life when she got clean four years ago. Now, she has a new family and a job she loves—tending bar and dancing at the Broken Circle. As an O’Kane, she’s happy, untouchable. Until a nightmare from her old life tears her away from her home and drags her back to Hell—also known as Sector Five. He’s still living—and dying—in it. Losing Trix was the kick in the head Finn needed to get sober, but working as an enforcer for a man he hates is slowly crushing his soul. The only thing that keeps him going is his determination to destroy Sector Five from the inside. Then Trix comes back into his life—alive, in danger—and nothing else matters. Getting her home could be a suicide mission. The only thing deadlier is the old spark that flares to life between them. Soon, Finn and Trix are battling the one addiction neither of them ever managed to kick—each other. And it could cost them everything.

Learning to Be Free Inner City Books

Candid and wide-ranging interviews dating from 1985 through 1992 with the best-selling author and Jungian analyst, Marion Woodman. Touches on sexuality, creativity, relationships, addictions, healing, rituals, and the environment.

C. G. Jung, Alcoholics Anonymous, and Archetypal Evil Penguin
Winner of the 2020 Catholic Press Association Book Award In a book hailed as “liberating” (Gary Chapman, New York Times bestselling author), an award-winning author and mother of four

weaves her own stories and struggles with those of seven ex-perfectionist saints (and one heretic) who show us how to pursue a new kind of perfection: freedom in Christ. Spiritual perfectionism—an obsession with flawlessness rooted in the belief that we can earn God’s love—is dangerous because so many of us mistake it for virtue. Its toxic cycle of pride, sin, shame, blame, and despair distorts our vision, dulls our faith, and leads us to view others through the same hypercritical lens we think God is using to view us. As a lifelong overachiever who drafted her first résumé in sixth grade and spell-checked her high school boyfriend’s love letters, Colleen Carroll Campbell knows something about the perfectionist trap. But it was only after she became a mother that she started to see how insidiously perfectionism had infected her spiritual life, how lethal it could be to her happiness and her family, and how disproportionately it afflicts the people working hardest to serve God. In the ruins of her own mistakes, Colleen dug into Scripture and the lives of the canonized saints for answers. She discovered to her surprise that many holy men and women were, in fact, recovering perfectionists. And their grace-fueled victory over this malady—not perfectionist striving—was the key to their heroic virtue and contagious joy. In *The Heart of Perfection*, Colleen weaves the stories and wisdom of seven ex-perfectionist saints (and one heretic) with Scripture and beautifully crafted tales of her own trial-and-error experiments in applying that wisdom to her life. Gorgeously written and deeply insightful, Colleen Carroll Campbell’s *The Heart of Perfection* is a “must-read” (Jeannie Gaffigan, executive producer of *The Jim Gaffigan Show*) that “gives us permission to...walk in the freedom of God’s unconditional love” (Jennifer Fulwiler, author of *One Beautiful Dream*). For a free *Heart of Perfection* reading guide for book clubs, visit Colleen-Campbell.com.

The Sacred Prostitute Chiron Publications

Perfection is a mask we use to avoid pain. We think that if we can achieve perfection, we will achieve happiness. We believe that if we can avoid pain, we can also avoid abandonment and loneliness and unworthiness. Perfection is the thief of joy. It’s a lie that keeps us in a stranglehold of chaos and people-pleasing and addiction and lack. Perfection says we are never good enough. It

holds us back from being our truest, most authentic selves. Author Vitale Buford spent nearly three decades of her life in the web of perfection. The roots of her perfection were born in her childhood - she had a dysfunctional home-life fraught with alcoholism, workaholism and shame. This combination created an environment of neglect, where the only way Vitale got attention was to be perfect. She was praised for being an “easy child,” “pretty,” and “self-motivated,” so that’s what she tried to be. Her need for perfection and outside success was coupled with her body image obsession. It was also a distraction from the pain of abandonment and loneliness she experienced in her childhood. It was the perfect storm - she tied her self-worth to her external success and her appearance, and hence, her addiction to perfection was born. The need for perfection followed her to college, and when she started gaining weight, she became obsessed with dieting to make her body smaller and more acceptable. She worked hard in college and got good grades, but her body shame was all consuming. Her junior year of college, she was introduced to Adderall as a “study drug.” She used it for a few months - and ended up losing 20 pounds; she also got her best grades ever with her most rigorous course load. She was sure she had discovered the “perfect drug.” She was able to obtain her own prescription the following year. It hooked her immediately. She was addicted not only to Adderall but also to the perfection and the weight loss and her newfound ability to accomplish projects and tasks with ease. This was the beginning of a 10-year love affair with Adderall. In *Addicted to Perfect*, Vitale shares the highs and lows of having been a slave to Adderall, the destructive relationships that ensued, and the way that she finally broke free. She details the many twists and turns involved in the years leading up to her getting sober and the eating disorder that followed her into sobriety. It took parenthood and radical honesty for her to begin the road to true healing. Perfectionism is no longer something that enslaves her, and Vitale’s story is one of hope that no matter where you are in your life, you can release the grip of perfection. You can heal your pain and your abandonment and your loneliness and your fear and your guilt and your shame. You can experience true freedom, and most importantly, replace perfection with self-love.

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