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An engrossing novel that examines the intricacies of marriage, friendship, and the power of unexpected connections...

Annabel Ford has everything under control, devoting her time to her twin boys and keeping her household running smoothly. But when her husband of a decade announces that he's leaving, she's blind-sided. And suddenly her world begins to unravel.

Piper Whitley has always done her best to balance it all—raising her daughter Fern by herself while advancing her career as a crime reporter. Only now that she's finally met the man of her dreams, Fern's absentee father shows up, throwing everything into a tailspin.

Married to the heir of a thriving media conglomerate, Mackenzie Mead has many reasons to count her blessings. But with an imperious mother-in-law—who's also her boss—and a husband with whom she can no longer seem to connect, something has to give.

On the surface, these three women may not have much in common, but just when they each need someone to lean on, their lives are thrust together, forming unlikely friendships that help each woman navigate her new reality.

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Lauren Wade says

Completely predictable. Disappointed in the writing. It felt very elementary. An advertisement for this book stated that if you like Liane Moriarty's books then this is a must read. But this fell **very** short of a Liane book. On the positive side, it was a quick read and kept my attention.

Lisa Montanaro says

Great quick read! I love that even though this book falls into the category of chick lit, it is not necessarily a romance. It follows the friendship of three women who meet and become each other's rocks during a time when they all need someone to lean on. I really enjoyed watching the friendships develop, and I enjoyed all of the backstories for each one of the women. This is my first book by Emily Liebert, but it will not be my last!

Deborah Blanchard says

An intricately woven tale of the power of friendship, found in an unlikely place, an exercise class. These three women are each going through relationship problems and they fast become each others support system. I loved the strength of each character, even when they thought they weren't strong, they were in their own ways. The story flows so smoothly throughout, it never lags and you definitely will not be bored. This is a book that is hard to put down. I found myself invested in these characters, they were my friends. I cried when they cried and I laughed when they did. These are richly developed and believable characters and you will love them as much as I did. I loved the witty dialogue, it was like listening to friends gabbing away. It was honest and believable. You will feel invested in each of their relationships and will be either rooting them on or warning them not to do something or other. I absolutely loved this book!! It shows the intricacies of female relationships and relationships in general. Pick up this book, you won't want to put it down until you are finished. Another amazing book by Emily Liebert!! This book comes highly recommended by me. This is women's fiction at its best! Bravo!! Great read!

Dolores says

Library Journal said *SOME WOMEN* is "a perfect summer read". I agree with that, but it is also a perfect WINTER read! I enjoyed reading about Annabel, Piper, and Mackenzie....three women in very different situations who have big problems. When their paths happen to come together, they become each other's biggest supporters.

I will definitely read Emily Liebert's other novels. She certainly has a way with words. I got a big kick out of her description of a waitress, whose speed she compared to a "tortoise wading through honey". And the chapter about Mackenzie's experience at the acupuncturist's office was simply hilarious...

It was a pleasure to read and I am very grateful to Goodreads for sending me this advance copy free of charge.

Sheyla \ says

4.5 Fangs

"You're stronger than you think."

Some Women had great leading ladies. Each of them was going through big changes in their lives.

Annabel Ford has been married for years and has a set of twins Harper and Hudson but her husband Henry is leaving her. He gives her no explanation. She believes there must be another woman and decides to have him followed.

Piper Whitley is in love with Todd. Todd is a nice guy, dependable and great to her daughter Fern. When Todd moves in with them, Fern starts acting out. She is rude and she's obsessed with finding her biological father. who left them after finding out Piper was pregnant. When Max, the father, reappears in their lives after years of not knowing anything about him, Piper would have to decide what to do and whom to love.

Mackenzie Mead is happily married to Trevor but her mother-in-law CeCe, keeps on pressuring them to have babies. Mackenzie is willing to do it since she knows her mother-in-law is relentless. However, she begins to realize that her marriage is not as stable as she thought.

These three women meet in an exercise class and over the period of months they become a unit. A support for each other while their lives are falling apart and they are also there for the rebirth as strong women.

I do have to say that the beginning was a little slow for me. The introduction of the characters took time but it picks up and then it was impossible to put down.

I like all 3 of the women. They each have great characteristics. I like that they helped each other when one of them was in trouble. I wish women were more like this in real life.

As for the guys, Todd wins the award. He was my favorite.

Cliffhanger: No

4.5/5 Fangs

A complimentary copy was provided by the publisher in exchange for an honest review.

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Fictionophile says

They say that big 'life changes' are some of the most stressful events in people's lives. Marriages, divorces, births, deaths, moving, new jobs, etc.

This is the story of three very different women - though they share the common female need to be loved, to be good parents, to be successful, etc. Three women who find that during the time they need friendship the most, they are there for each other.

First we meet Annabel Ford. Once a successful businesswoman, she has given up her career to be a stay-at-home, full-time mother. She is married and has twin boys, age five. A perfectionist, she tries to 'do it all' and 'be it all' for her family. She has become a tad overwhelmed and has become (according to her husband) a 'miserable' complainer. Then - out of the blue - her husband Henry packs a suitcase and leaves her!

Second we meet Piper Whitley. Piper is a single mom who cherishes her ten year old daughter, Fern, and enjoys her career as a crime reporter. Then she meets Todd. He seems perfect. A dentist with a big house who wants nothing more than to be a member of their little family. Then, just as Todd is moving in, Fern decides she wants to meet her birthfather...

Thirdly we meet Mackenzie Mead. Once a very successful television news producer, Mackenzie is now married to Trevor, the heir of a publishing conglomerate. She is now working for her demanding mother-in-law in a job she has come to enjoy. She is a southern girl, a good cook, and, most importantly, she is trying to get pregnant!

When these three disparate women meet at an exercise class in suburban Connecticut, their lives are enriched with friendship that will stand the test during turbulent times.

If there is a theme to this novel, it is that friendship is therapeutic when you're experiencing troubled times. Times that illuminate just WHO your real friends are - as the 'fair weather' friends seem to dissolve into the woodwork.

A novel of friendship, betrayal, parenting, loyalty and self-acceptance.

An easy and satisfying read - enjoyable women's fiction. A contemporary story about three very 'real' women.

3.5 stars

Thanks to Berkley/NAL via NetGalley for supplying me with a digital ARC of this novel for review.

Courtney says

It's pretty clear that Emily Liebert has locked her place in my bookish heart as a favorite author. Book after book I am so impressed with her writing and after reading *Some Women* it just solidified her ability to take me into a world where the characters are relatable and the stories are so real. I love this about her and its something that not every author can do. Sure an author can create a world where we can escape to but

Liebert takes you to coffee with your friends or drinks with your spouse. Its stories we look forward to in our lives, characters that give us character which in turn makes us think and grow. As you read her novels, you see that her characters are people we all know and love; when they struggle we struggle and when they triumph we feel their joy. *Some Women* was a celebration of friendship and female force. Even though I do not know her personally, but I can pretend we are besties

Grace {Rebel Mommy Book Blog} says

Review

I was a little hesitant to request this despite loving the blurb. This was because I had problems with Emily Liebert's last book, specifically with not liking any of the characters really. When I first started I was scared this one was headed in the same path. But turns out I was wrong and this book was quite lovely, including the characters.

The story is centered around three different women - Annabel, Piper and Mackenzie. The three become unlikely friends and help each other through the various points and obstacles in their lives. We deal with divorce, being a single mom, new relationships, fertility, children, mother-in-laws from hell and workplace issues. I feel like this story had something for everyone to relate to in some capacity.

We start with Annabel and her current situation. She is bitching at her husband for EVERYTHING. Which is when her husband walks out on her. Honestly, after the opening exchange I didn't blame him. This is what had me worried I got myself into another book with awful characters that I would not enjoy. Thank god she had other facets to her personality, grew and changed into a better person as the story went on. I believe the other ladies really helped with this.

Piper is a single mom who is an investigative reporter. Things are going well with her boyfriend until her daughter wants to find her biological father and does find him. Piper is awesome. She is an amazing mom, great at her job and finds time for barre class. I want to figure all that out myself. Best part though is she is super laid back and really good at handling what life throws at her. I want to be her friend.

When we meet Mackenzie, I made another snap judgment I wouldn't like her. She seemed like a young, rich girl who gets everything and is oblivious to that fact. Well my bad because she turned out to be not only a really smart woman but an amazing friend who was brought up in a much more humble household than what she married into. She was such a great character for Annabel to be with because she was able to speak the truth without being harsh and seemed to get through to her.

I was just happy to see such a wonderful friendship formed by these women. They had some really funny and light moments to play off the more serious things going on in their lives. I thought it all moved along at a really great pace and kept me interested the whole time. I was very happy with the way the story was woven together and how everyone ended up.

If you like a good women's fiction definitely give this one a try! This review was originally posted on Rebel Mommy Book Blog

Julie Ford says

Admittedly, I did not read this entire book. Unless, of course, you count reading one hundred or so pages before skipping to the end. I tried to keep reading but the further I got into the story the less interest I had in either the characters or where the story was taking them. Long sigh! I guess it all (plot, characters, dialogue) just felt very ordinary, like stepping into any random three women's friendship, only without any sense of connection, of real emotion, being a fly on the wall is simply not very interesting. Maybe the characters weren't developed enough in the beginning. I got that life-altering things were happening to these women but the author never showed any raw emotion or real heartbreak, nothing to pull at my heartstrings and have me rooting for them to overcome.

Molly says

This book is cheesy and the writing isn't great but I like the characters and I like a tidy book sometimes. It was not realistic at all!

Judy Collins says

Talented *Emily Liebert* delivers her charming fifth novel, **SOME WOMEN** -a contemporary chick-lit of three different strong women, each confronted with a major life-altering changes and decisions.

With honesty, wit, and new friendships, an inspiring book of reinvention--*a nice choice for your summer beach bag. (Stunning cover).*

Meet Annabel, Piper, and Mackenzie:

Annabel, appears to have it all together. From her twin five year old boys, organization, and a home run with finesse. Until her husband makes the announcement. He is leaving. What the heck?

Piper, is a single mom to her daughter, Fern. She juggles all sorts of things, from a hectic career as a crime report, plus her issues with daughter and new man of her dreams, Todd. Fern's absentee dad, Max is back—a conflict, pulled between the tension.

Mackenzie, is sharp--married to Trevor, and the heir of a media conglomerate—however, her controlling mother-in-law, Cecilia is pressuring them to start a family. Her marriage may not be strong enough to even support a family unit.

Three unlikely women from different walks of life meet in a barre class (the author is also a certified barre teacher). They become a support group for one another, when meeting after class over coffee.

Pure Barre —a combination of yoga, Pilates, and ballet. Sculpting—and the inspiration for **SOME WOMEN**. The technique is low-impact, protecting your joints by avoiding any bouncing or jumping. *Let me say, Emily you are looking great--it is working!*

The concentration involved while taking Pure Barre allows you to block "life" out for the hour, creating the

mental benefits similarly obtained by the practice of yoga or meditation. (Something all women need). I do a combination, and find it works much better than jogging, cycling, and running, which can create torture for your body as you age (better for your back & arthritis--which comes with high-impact)--*plus better, and faster results.*

Pure Barre mantra, "You're stronger than you think."

Having read all Emily's books, she writes of relationships, friendships, motherhood, and marriage—for the modern contemporary woman, *attempting to balance it all-personal and career.*

Fans of *Sarah Pekkanen, Jennifer Weiner, and Emily Giffin* will enjoy Emily's entertaining, honest, and witty style.

Sometimes an escape outside your inner world can bring new insights to your problems--a fresh look at your life; breaking out of your inner, comfortable circle of friends-when you are open to new friendships and experiences-you may learn something.

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Loretta Rinzel says

It was a gentle read between the 3 women of the story that evolved around love, deception, heartache and divorce. Was a good book

Amy Lynn says

This was a book that shows you how important having a few close girlfriends can be. Someone who will have your back and always be there for you thru thick and thin. Someone who will go out of their way to do what is best for you and not just think about themselves. Emily has a way of bringing her characters to life and creating a relatable world where each women picking up this novel will feel connected.

Bethany Clark says

Hands down this is one of my Top Picks for 2016. I picked this book up just a few days back and I have not been able to put it down (I have been able to do a lot of reading at work as well, shhhh LOL).

There are so many important topics that are raised through out the walls of each page - unexpected friendship, parenthood, intimate relationships, marriage, trust and those are just a few of the many.

I think I have a bond with each of these main characters in different ways. Annabel is a mother that had always been perfect, to the point that it started to drive a wedge between her and her family. I tend to have that issue from time to time. I am a mother and I know what needs to be done and sometimes that is all that is on my mind and I forget that sometimes you just need to go with the flow. It will all get done in time.

Piper and I had a special bond - she is a single mom and does everything on her own with very little help. She has been the provider for her daughter for many years. She has met an amazing man, Todd, who wants desperately to be her rock and take care of her and Fern. I have been a provider for my 3 children for many years, yes I have help but I do a lot of it on my own and I am venturing into the dating world and hope to find someone like Todd.

Mackenzie is the girl that I have always wanted to be. She is strong, smart, caring, brutally honest and a true fighter for herself and her friends. I look up to her in so many ways and I see a piece of her in myself!

It's hard to believe that these women have not been friends for years! It was fate that has brought them together and it is a special bond that will keep them friends for life. Through their many ups and downs they always had each others back and were the only people each could turn to in times of need.

I couldn't recommend this book more highly if I tried. I am deeply saddened that it is done but I am glad that I had a chance to enjoy each and every page.

Mrs Mommy Booknerd <http://mrsmommybooknerd.blogspot.com> says

Liebert really understands the inner workings of women and because of that she is able to write compelling and thought provoking books that touch my heart. She's able to write very different characters, all in which you can feel for, root for and connect to and somehow bring them all together in a story that kept me turning pages well past my bedtime. Bravo, Liebert on another HUGE 5 star hit! This is a great book for Spring and a wonderful book club selection!
