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Magic Fishing Panties: More Tales From A Crazy Southern Irish Gal



Synopsis

Have you taken to blaming the little people for stealing all the things you can't find, like the damn Chico's gift card you are 100% sure you left on the dresser? When you take off your bra, is it as if an airbag has deployed? Have you more than once started a sentence with the phrase "Back when I was in school...?" If you answered yes to any of these questions, welcome to the middle-aged cheap seats. *Magic Fishing Panties* is the follow-up to Dalferes' debut book *I Was in Love With a Short Man Once*. This collection of humorous tales offers new perspective from the self-proclaimed crazy Southern Irish gal and recent inductee into "Club 50." Rather than wallow in the self-pity often induced by sagging jaw lines, empty nests, and menopause, the author offers colorful depictions of life in the middle. You will find yourself contemplating: How would you react to being in public during an earthquake? Oh, and you're naked. The wedding starts in five minutes and your best friend needs to pump her breast milk, but all the bathrooms are occupied. Where should she go to quickly resolve her situation? You are depressed and alone on your 39th birthday. What do you do? Hint: tattoo anyone? You'll come to know Kimba as a true gal pal, someone who will gladly lend you her size 11 black boots, favorite red coat, and anything else you might need to rule the world with the exception of her magic fishing panties. Because letting you borrow those would be a little weird, don't ya think?

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Customer Reviews

It was a good read. The short stories were great for the treadmill at the gym.

really funny, a great read !!!!!

Fun & uplifting!

Many funny stories, some really funny stories and a few bombed stories. A chick kind of read. Three more words.

Didn't finish and didn't like

No book has made me giggle, laugh out loud, ponder situations and just plain enjoy the written word more than Magic Fishing Panties. Kim Dalferes has put on paper hilarious, and in a couple of cases, touching scenes from her life. She does a masterful job of weaving reality into comical and embarrassing (to her) situations. (She was caught naked in public on not once but on two occasions.) She is able to capture the essence of a southern girl who seems, in spite of herself, able to grasp near disaster from the jaws of success. Her episodes from Roman Cokes, empty nester, impersonating Dolly Parton and of course fishing, will have the reader doubled over in hysterical laughter. And without giving too much away, there are hundreds of wonderful southern quotes, like "If it ain't hot, it ain't the heat it is, it's the humidity." Chuck Lumpkin, President Lake Writers

When it was my turn to speak, I started with a question for the group.

"I'm a little surprised there are no other women in the room. Do you have women working here at FDLE?" Gauntlet thrown. "Oh, of course we do. It's just a coincidence our agency representatives today happen to be all men." "I see. I'm curious, are there any

women working in the Domestic Marijuana Eradication Unit? “Well, no, not at the moment. “Have you ever placed a female intern in the unit? “I’m not sure, but, no, I don’t think we’ve ever had a female intern express interest in that unit. “Wow, that’s surprising. It sounds like a great place to spend the next fifteen weeks, I’m sure I would learn a lot. Girl. Card. Played. Humor and reality are incredible ways to break the ice for a book. What’s more this author writes a book filled with several different essays or stories that were previously submitted in other media outlets. Dalferes extends an offer to her readers a chance to see her life through her eyes. Magic Fishing Panties is only one short essay within this multitude of wonderful and insightful stories that the author has chosen to share with her readers. The stories that are included within this book are recollections that the author has kept and chronologically placed into a sequence so that her readers have a very detailed description of most of her past. Kimberly Dalferes does like to excite and entice her readers with humor; therefore, you’ll find that the book is very easy to read and comical. The story begins with an introduction, which is where she provides a background and ancestry, then proceeds with going to the White House for the Easter Egg Roll with her son. Dalferes never fails to show a comical thread of balance within the emotionally trying times that must have been there from time to time. Then, Magic Fishing Panties recaps her experience with fishing in Alaska and carrying on traditions as only a family can, all the way up to Playing the Girl Card which is where the quote above is from. The author brings her story to a conclusion with Club Fifty and Kimba’s Tip of the Day. Dalferes does a superb job with character development and originality since most of it is her own life and memory. This story is uplifting and holds a great deal of diplomacy, tact and professionalism within the content of her life’s reflections. It is a fast paced novel and easy to read, entertaining and absolutely funny. This author has penned a wonderful recollection of her life through essays and short stories. If you are a reader of humor and entertainment, you might want to try this book out. A free copy was exchanged for an honest review of this fictional piece.

The title alone would make me pick up the book and look inside. Kimberly Dalferes follows her wickedly funny I WAS IN LOVE WITH A SHORT MAN ONCE with the even funnier MAGIC FISHING PANTIES, smack in the tradition of Erma Bombeck. Okay, one bit of information will give you an idea of how quirky the author is. Her book launches on August 5, National Underwear Day.

Think it was happenstance? Who are you trying to kid??? Let's get the disclaimer out of the way first. I asked for and received an ARC. I couldn't wish for this to be published. That said, this book is for gals and guys who love them. Gals will howl at the antics of a half-century-old crazy Southern Irish gal who suffers through the changes life brings at "a certain age." From hot flashes to boobs that no longer pass the pencil test to coping with an empty nest, Dalferes hits us hard where we laugh -- right in the gut. The first story about the panties grabs the reader, shakes her like a dog with a new sock toy, and never lets go. Those magic fishing panties play a central role in a series of vacations where the writer and her family go fishing in Alaska. No spoiler alert needed: you have to read the book to get the full impact. I said guys who love their gals should also read this. It's true. How else are you going to survive the mood swings that come with menopause, birthday depressions that lead to tattoos, or running outdoors in the middle of an earthquake to find yourself naked. Guys, do yourselves a favor. Buy the book for your gal and read it. It will save you a lot of grief. Gals, buy one copy for you, one copy for your best gal friend and one for the guy in your life. You won't be sorry.

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