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The Blessing

Vintage **When Grace Allingham, a naive young Englishwoman, goes to live in France with her dashing husband she finds herself overwhelmed by her husband's French notion of marriage--which includes a permanent mistress--that sends her back to London with their son, Sigismond, in tow. While others urge the couple to reconcile, little Sigi applies all his juvenile cunning to keep his parents apart.**

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Hamish Hamilton **The post World War II marriage of young Englishwoman Grace Allingham to the dashing, aristocratic Frenchman Charles-Eduard is adversely affected by Grace's discovery that her husband's ideas of marriage include serial adultery, while their young son Sigismund applies his juvenile wiles in the direction of parental divorce.**

The Penguin Complete Novels of Nancy Mitford

Penguin UK **Available together for the first time in many years, and here in one edition, are ALL eight of Nancy Mitford's sparkingly astute, hilarious and completely unputdownable novels, with a new introduction by India Knight. Published over a period of 30 years, they provide a wonderful glimpse of the bright young things of the thirties, forties, fifties and sixties in the city and in the shires; firmly ensconced at home or making a go of it abroad; and what the upper classes really got up to in peace and in war.**

Pigeon Pie

Penguin UK **Set at the outbreak of World War II, Lady Sophia Garfield dreams of becoming a beautiful spy but manages not to notice a nest of German agents right under her nose. Until the murder of her maid and the kidnapping of her beloved bulldog force them on her attention, with heroic and absurd results. One of Mitford's earliest novels and written before Christmas 1939, Pigeon Pie is delivered with a touch lighter than that of her later masterpieces but no less entertaining. This comedy combines glamour, wit, and a fiendishly absurd plot into an irresistible literary confection. 'This sparking and deliciously acid commentary of the social world.' - The Scotsman**

The Nancy Mitford Omnibus. (The Pursuit of Love, Love in a Cold Climate, The Blessing.).

Don't Tell Alfred

Penguin UK **Don't Tell Alfred** is the wickedly funny sequel to Nancy Mitford's *The Pursuit of Love* and *Love in a Cold Climate*. 'I believe it would have been normal for me to have paid a visit to the outgoing ambassadress. However the said ambassadress had set up such an uninhibited wail when she knew she was to leave, proclaiming her misery to all and sundry and refusing so furiously to look on the bright side, that it was felt she might not be very nice to me.' Fanny is married to absent-minded Oxford don Alfred and content with her role as a plain, tweedy housewife. But overnight her life changes when Alfred is appointed English Ambassador to Paris. In the blink of an eye, Fanny's mixing with royalty, Rothschilds and Dior-clad wives, throwing cocktail parties and having every indiscreet remark printed in tomorrow's papers. But with the love lives of her new friends to organize, an aristocratic squatter who won't budge and the antics of her maverick sons to thwart, Fanny's far too busy to worry about the diplomatic crisis looming on the horizon. . . **Don't Tell Alfred** continues the histories of the characters Nancy Mitford introduced in *The Pursuit of Love*. 'A comic genius' *Independent on Sunday* 'Deliciously funny' Evelyn Waugh

Wigs on the Green

Penguin UK **Wigs on the Green** by Nancy Mitford is a hilarious satire of the upper classes. Eugenia Malmain is one of the richest girls in England and an ardent supporter of Captain Jack and the Union Jackshirts; Noel and Jasper are both in search of an heiress (so much easier than trying to work for the money); Poppy and Marjorie are nursing lovelorn hearts; and the beautiful bourgeois Mrs Lace is on the prowl for someone near Eugenia's fabulous country home at Chalford, and much farce ensues. One of Nancy Mitford's earliest novels, **Wigs on the Green** has been out of print for nearly seventy-five years. Nancy's sisters Unity and Diana were furious with her for making fun of Diana's husband, Oswald Moseley, and his politics, and the book caused a rift between them all that endured for years. Nancy Mitford skewers her family and their beliefs with her customary jewelled barbs, but there is froth, comedy and heart here too. 'Deliciously funny' Evelyn Waugh

Nancy Mitford

Random House **Nancy Mitford** was witty, intelligent, often acerbic, a great tease and an acute observer of upper-class English idiosyncrasies. With the publication of her novels, above all *The Pursuit of Love*, *Love in a Cold Climate* and *The Blessing*, she became a huge bestseller and a household name. An inspired letter writer, she wrote almost daily to a wide variety of correspondents, among them Evelyn Waugh, Harold Acton, John Betjeman, Lord Berners, Lady Seafield, and, of course, her sisters. Selina Hastings captures equally the gaiety and frivolity and the unhappy truth of Nancy Mitford's life: her failed marriage and her long, unfulfilled relationship with 'the Colonel' contrasting sharply with literary celebrity and glittering social success. Selina Hastings has written a biography that is superbly entertaining and clear-eyed, of a life that Diana Mosley spoke of as being 'so sad one can hardly bear to contemplate it'.

The Blessing

A Sparkling Account of the Pursuit of Love

Blessing

Signet

Voltaire in Love

Random House **The meeting of Voltaire, successful financier, famous poet and troublemaker, and the enchanting amateur physicist and countess Émilie du Châtelet, was a meeting of both hearts and minds. In the Château de Cirey, the two brilliant intellects scandalised the French aristocracy with their passionate love affair and provoked revolutions both political and scientific with their groundbreaking work in literature, philosophy and physics. Nancy Mitford's account of the love affair of the Enlightenment is, in the author's own words, 'a shriek from beginning to end'.**

Christmas Pudding

A charming book to get you in the mood for Christmas from the endlessly witty author of *The Pursuit of Love*

Penguin UK **A small-sized but big-hearted stocking filler to hang by the chimney with care this Christmas, from the author of *The Pursuit of Love*. 'Christmas Day was organized by Lady Bobbin with the thoroughness and attention to detail of a general leading his army into battle . . .' The formidable fox-hunter Lady Bobbin is holding a Christmas house party. Attendees include her rebellious daughter Philadelphia, a pompous suitor, a couple of children poring over newspaper death notices, and a dejected writer whose first serious novel has been declared the funniest book of the year. Add to the mix beautiful ex-courtesan Amabelle Fortescue and her guests staying in a neighbouring cottage and you have a ribald tale of true love and false fidelity, hijinks and low morals, not to mention the consumption of a considerable quantity of Christmas spirit. 'Utter, utter bliss' *Daily Mail* 'A dazzling comic delight' *The Times* 'Very funny, irresistible' *Spectator***

Love in a Cold Climate

With *Love in a Cold Climate* and *The Blessing*

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Highland Fling

Penguin UK Nancy Mitford's first novel, a set of completely incompatible and hilariously eccentric characters collide in a Scottish castle, where bright young things play pranks on their stodgy elders until the frothy plot climaxes in ghost sightings and a dramatic fire. Inspired in part by Mitford's youthful infatuation with a Scottish aristocrat, her story follows young Jane Dacre to a shooting party at Dulloch Castle, where she tramps around a damp and chilly moor on a hunting expedition with formidable Lady Prague, xenophobic General Murgatroyd, one-eyed Admiral Wenceslaus, and an assortment of other ancient and gouty peers of the realm, while falling in love with Albert, a surrealist painter with a mischievous sense of humour. Light-hearted and sparkling with witty banter, Highland Fling was Mitford's first foray into the delightful fictional world for which the author of The Pursuit of Love and Love in a Cold Climate later became so celebrated. 'A delightful comedy of manners' - The Times

Nancy Mitford

This is the biography of Nancy Mitford. Determined, attractive and amusing, the eldest and most famous of the Mitford sisters was a satirical novelist and controversial journalist who observed the pretensions of her time with a keen and ruthless eye.

The Letters of Nancy Mitford and Evelyn Waugh

Penguin Classics With an Introduction by Charlotte Mosley 'Their correspondence can make you rock with helpless laughter' Independent on Sunday Nancy Mitford and Evelyn Waugh were two of the twentieth century's most amusing and gifted writers, who matched wits and traded literary advice in more than five hundred letters over twenty-two years. Dissecting their friends, criticizing each other's books and concealing their true feelings beneath a barrage of hilarious and knowing repartee, they found it far easier to conduct a friendship on paper than in person. This correspondence provides a colourful glimpse into the literary and social circles of London and Paris, during the Second World War and for twenty years after. 'Like wayward children, intent on outwitting the grown-ups who disapproved of their amusements' The New York Times

The Blessing

& Don't Tell Alfred

The Pursuit of Love

A Novel

The Horror of Love

Nancy Mitford and Gaston Palewski in Paris and London

Hachette UK The compelling love story of two extraordinary individuals - Nancy Mitford and Free French commander Gaston Palewski - living in extraordinary times - immortalised in **THE PURSUIT OF LOVE** 'A delicious mix of drama, melancholy and enchantment' **DAILY EXPRESS** 'Entertainingly caustic' **SUNDAY TIMES** 'Bringing to life the worlds of Nancy Mitford's novels' **INDEPENDENT** 'Oh, the horror of love!' Nancy Mitford once exclaimed. Elegant and intelligent, Nancy was a renowned wit and a popular author. Yet this bright, waspish woman, capable of unerring emotional analysis in her work gave her heart to a well-known philanderer who went on to marry another woman. Was Nancy that unremarkable thing - a deluded lover - or was she a remarkable woman engaged in a sophisticated love affair? Gaston Palewski, was the Free French commander and one of the most influential politicians in post-war Europe. His and Nancy's mutual life was spent amongst the most exciting, powerful and controversial figures in the centre of reawakening Europe. She supported him throughout his tumultuous career and he inspired some of her best work, including *The Pursuit of Love*. Lisa Hilton's provocative book reveals how, with discipline, gentleness and a great deal of elegance, Nancy Mitford and Gaston Palewski achieved a very adult ideal.

The Mitfords: Letters between Six Sisters

HarperCollins UK Carefree, revelatory and intimate, this selection of unpublished letters between the six legendary Mitford sisters, compiled by Diana Mitford's daughter-in-law, is alive with wit, passion and heartbreak.

The Sun King

Random House **Biographies & Autobiographies.**

Christmas Pudding and Pigeon Pie

Vintage **Christmas Pudding and Pigeon Pie** are two sparkling comedies from early in the career of Nancy Mitford, beloved author of *The Pursuit of Love* and *Love in a Cold Climate*, here published in one volume with a new introduction by Jane Smiley. In *Christmas Pudding*, an array of colorful characters converge on the hunt-obsessed Lady Bobbin's country house, including her rebellious daughter Philadelphia, the girl's pompous suitor, a couple of children obsessed with newspaper death notices, and an aspiring writer whose serious first novel has been acclaimed as the funniest book of the year, to his utter dismay. In *Pigeon Pie*, set at the outbreak of World War II, Lady Sophia Garfield dreams of becoming a beautiful spy but manages not to notice a nest of German agents right under her nose, until the murder of her maid and kidnapping of her beloved bulldog force them on her

attention, with heroic results. Delivered with a touch lighter than that of Mitford's later masterpieces but no less entertaining, these comedies combine glamour, wit, and fiendishly absurd plots into irresistible literary confections.

The Mitford Girls

The Biography of an Extraordinary Family

Hachette UK 'A cracking read' Lynn Barber, *Observer* The Mitford Girls tells the true story behind the gaiety and frivolity of the six Mitford daughters - and the facts are as sensational as any novel: Nancy, whose bright social existence masked an obsessional doomed love which soured her success; Pam, a countrywoman married to one of the best brains in Europe; Diana, an iconic beauty, who was already married when at 22 she fell in love with Oswald Moseley, the leader of the British fascists; Unity, who romantically in love with Hitler, became a member of his inner circle before shooting herself in the temple when WWII was declared; Jessica, the family rebel, who declared herself a communist in the schoolroom and the youngest sister, Debo, who became the Duchess of Devonshire. This is an extraordinary story of an extraordinary family, containing much new material, based on exclusive access to Mitford archives.

The Pursuit of Love

Penguin UK Nancy Mitford's *The Pursuit of Love* is one of the funniest, sharpest novels about love and growing up ever written. 'Obsessed with sex!' said Jassy, 'there's nobody so obsessed as you, Linda. Why if I so much as look at a picture you say I'm a pygmalionist.' In the end we got more information out of a book called *Ducks and Duck Breeding*. 'Ducks can only copulate,' said Linda, after studying this for a while, 'in running water. Good luck to them.' Oh, the tedium of waiting to grow up! Longing for love, obsessed with weddings and sex, Linda and her sisters and cousin Fanny are on the lookout for the perfect lover. But finding Mr Right is much harder than any of the sisters had thought. Linda must suffer marriage first to a stuffy Tory MP and then to a handsome and humourless communist, before finding real love in war-torn Paris. . . 'Utter, utter bliss' *Daily Mail* Nancy Mitford was the eldest of the infamous Mitford sisters, known for her membership in 'The Bright Young Things' clique of the 1920s and an intimate of Evelyn Waugh; she produced witty, satirical novels with a cast of characters taken directly from the aristocratic social scene of which she was a part. Her novels, *Wigs on the Green*, *Love in a Cold Climate*, *The Blessing* and *Don't Tell Alfred*, are available in single paperback editions from Penguin or as part of *The Penguin Complete Novels of Nancy Mitford* which also includes *Highland Fling*, *Christmas Pudding* and *Pigeon Pie*. This edition of *The Pursuit of Love* is introduced by novelist Zoë Heller.

The Water Beetle

A Talent to Annoy

Essays, Articles, & Reviews, 1929-1968

National Book Network A collection of essays, articles, and reviews, written for "Vogue," "Atlantic Monthly," "The New York Times," and other publications, reflects the author's full range of interests and concerns

Decca

The Letters of Jessica Mitford

Knopf “Decca” Mitford lived a larger-than-life life: born into the British aristocracy—one of the famous (and sometimes infamous) Mitford sisters—she ran away to Spain during the Spanish Civil War with her cousin Esmond Romilly, Winston Churchill’s nephew, then came to America, became a tireless political activist and a member of the Communist Party, and embarked on a brilliant career as a memoirist and muckraking journalist (her funeral-industry exposé, *The American Way of Death*, became an instant classic). She was a celebrated wit, a charmer, and throughout her life a prolific and passionate writer of letters—now gathered here. Decca’s correspondence crackles with irreverent humor and mischief, and with acute insight into human behavior (and misbehavior) that attests to her generous experience of the worlds of politics, the arts, journalism, publishing, and high and low society. Here is correspondence with everyone from Katharine Graham and George Jackson, Betty Friedan, Miss Manners, Julie Andrews, Maya Angelou, Harry Truman, and Hillary Rodham Clinton to Decca’s sisters the Duchess of Devonshire and the novelist Nancy Mitford, her parents, her husbands, her children, and her grandchildren. In a profile of J.K. Rowling, *The Daily Telegraph* (UK), said, “Her favorite drink is gin and tonic, her least favorite food, trip. Her heroine is Jessica Mitford.”

Frederick the Great

Random House WITH AN INTRODUCTION BY KATE WILLIAMS Frederick II of Prussia attempted to escape his authoritarian father as a boy, but went on to become one of history's greatest rulers. He loved the flute, and devoted hours of study to the arts and French literature, forming a long-lasting but turbulent friendship with Voltaire. He was a military genius and enlarged the borders of his empire, but he also promoted religious tolerance, economic reform and laid the foundation for a united Germany. Nancy Mitford brings all these contradictions and achievements to sparkling life in an fascinating, intimate biography.

The Pursuit of Love

Penguin UK Nancy Mitford's *The Pursuit of Love* is one of the funniest, sharpest novels about love and growing up ever written. 'He was the great love of her life you know.' 'Oh, dulling,' said my mother, sadly, 'One always thinks that. Every, every time.' Longing for love, obsessed with weddings and let's not even mention the mysteries of sex, Linda and her sisters and cousin Fanny are on the hunt for the ideal lover. But finding the perfect match is much harder than any of the sisters had ever dreamed. Linda is first courted by a Tory MP and then becomes embroiled with a handsome but humourless communist, before she risks everything on a chance at real, head-over-heels love in war-torn Paris . . . 'Peerless' Zoe Heller

Love from Nancy

The Letters of Nancy Mitford

Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Presents a collection of letters to Evelyn Waugh, Harold Acton, Christopher Sykes, Robert Byron, and other notable correspondents

Savage Beauty

The Life of Edna St. Vincent Millay

Random House Trade Paperbacks Thirty years after the smashing success of *Zelda*, Nancy Milford returns with a stunning second act. *Savage Beauty* is the portrait of a passionate, fearless woman who obsessed American ever as she tormented herself. If F. Scott Fitzgerald was the hero of the Jazz Age, Edna St. Vincent Millay, as flamboyant in her love affairs as she was in her art, was its heroine. The first woman ever to win the Pulitzer Prize, Millay was dazzling in the performance of herself. Her voice was likened to an instrument of

seduction and her impact on crowds, and on men, was legendary. Yet beneath her studied act, all was not well. Milford calls her book "a family romance"—for the love between the three Millay sisters and their mother was so deep as to be dangerous. As a family, they were like real-life *Little Women*, with a touch of *Mommie Dearest*. Nancy Milford was given exclusive access to Millay's papers, and what she found was an extraordinary treasure. Boxes and boxes of letter flew back and forth among the three sisters and their mother—and Millay kept the most intimate diary, one whose ruthless honesty brings to mind Sylvia Plath. Written with passion and flair, *Savage Beauty* is an iconic portrait of a woman's life.

Madame de Pompadour

First published in 1954, this is an evocation of Louis XV's court at Versailles. The political and religious complications of the time are explained and put into context, while the complex characters are brought vividly to life.

Christmas Pudding

Fig Tree The formidable fox-hunting obsessed Lady Bobbin has put together a Christmas house party at Compton Bobbin, including her rebellious daughter Philadelphia, the girl's pompous suitor, a couple of children obsessed with newspaper death notices, and an aspiring writer whose deadly (in more ways than one) serious first novel has been acclaimed as the funniest book of the year, to his utter dismay. And then there is beautiful ex courtesan Amabelle Fortescue and her group of guests staying in a nearby cottage ... As the house parties starts to unravel, so the jokes increase- this is Nancy Mitford's second novel and one of her earliest forays into the world of the Bright Young Things.

Zelda

A Biography

Harper Collins "Profound, overwhelmingly moving . . . a richly complex love story." — *New York Times* Acclaimed biographer Nancy Milford brings to life the tormented, elusive personality of Zelda Sayre and clarifies as never before Zelda's relationship with her husband F. Scott Fitzgerald—tracing the inner disintegration of a gifted, despairing woman, torn by the clash between her husband's career and her own talent. Zelda Sayre's stormy life spanned from notoriety as a spirited Southern beauty to success as a gifted novelist and international celebrity at the side of her husband, F. Scott Fitzgerald. Zelda and Fitzgerald were one of the most visible couples of the Jazz Age, inhabiting and creating around them a world of excitement, romance, art, and promise. Yet their tumultuous relationship precipitated a descent into depression and mental instability for Zelda, leaving her to spend the final twenty years of her life in hospital care, until a fire at a sanitarium claimed her life. Incorporating years of exhaustive research and interviews, Milford illuminates Zelda's nuanced and elusive personality, giving character to both her artistic vibrancy and to her catastrophic collapse.

The Sisters: The Saga of the Mitford Family

W. W. Norton & Company "Fascinating, the way all great family stories are fascinating."—Robert Gottlieb, *New York Times* Book Review This is the story of a close, loving family splintered by the violent ideologies of Europe between the world wars. Jessica was a Communist; Debo became the Duchess of Devonshire; Nancy was one of the best-selling novelists of her day; beautiful Diana married the Fascist leader Sir Oswald Mosley; and Unity, a close friend of Hitler, shot herself in the head when England and Germany declared war. The Mitfords had style and presence and were mercilessly gifted. Above all, they were funny—hilariously and mercilessly so. In this wise, evenhanded, and generous book, Mary Lovell captures the vitality and drama of a family that took the twentieth century by storm and became, in some respects, its victims.

The Mitford Society

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Createspace Independent Publishing Platform Celebrate all things Mitford with stories, features and essays on the Mitford girls and their contemporaries, including the much loved **Mitford Tease**. With contributions from: Meems Ellenberg; Lyndsy Spence; Kathy Hillwig; Annabel Abbs; Terence Towles Canote; Alan Stafford; Claire Meadows; Kim Place-Gateau; Michelle Morrissette; Chiara Martinelli The content includes: Friends and Frenemies: A Mitford Tease; The Muse: Diana Mitford and Helleu; A Very Mitford Reading; Lucia Joyce: The Pioneering Modern Dancer That Almost Was; Pam and Betje: An Enduring Friendship; Beaten by Beaton: Doris Delevingne and her Love Affair with Cecil Beaton; The Company She Kept: Unity Mitford and her Friends; Too Naked for the Nazis: How Betty Knox Went From Chorus Line to Front Line; Lady Bridget Parsons: The Pursuit of Love by; Literary Ladies: The Fictional Worlds of Nancy Mitford, Elizabeth Jane Howard and Lucia Berlin; The Big Tease: How Olivia de Havilland Fell for Nancy Mitford; In The Footsteps of the Mitfords; Debo and Cake: A Royal Friendship; Lady Irene Curzon: A Dim View of Diana; Private Enemy Number One; Camelot in the Derbyshire Dales; The President and The Duchess; Only the Sister: Angela du Maurier; Nancy Mitford and Harold Acton: A Life-long Friendship

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At Home in Mitford

Penguin Includes an excerpt from *Come rain or come shine*.