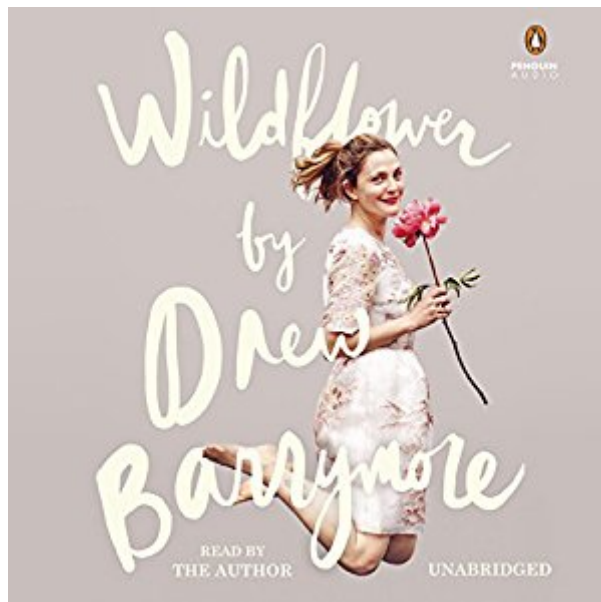


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Synopsis

Award-winning actress Drew Barrymore shares funny, insightful, and profound stories from her past and present told from the place of happiness she's achieved today. *Wildflower* is a portrait of Drew's life in stories as she looks back on the adventures, challenges, and incredible experiences of her earlier years. It includes tales of living on her own at 14 (and how laundry may have saved her life), getting stuck in a gas station overhang on a cross-country road trip, saying good-bye to her father in a way only he could have understood, and many more adventures and lessons that have led her to the successful, happy, and healthy place she is today. It is the first book Drew has written about her life since the age of 14.

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Customer Reviews

I loved this book! Each chapter is it's own short story and to be honest that format worked perfect for this sleep deprived mother of a 5 month old (and a 4 year old too!). Her wit and charm come across as does humility. I love listening to people tell their interesting life stories, famous or not, and she comes across as a friend just telling you something in an interesting way. I definitely recommend this book!

I really enjoyed this book. It is not a complete memoir--Drew Barrymore is after all the mother of young children and has a lot of life yet to live. But it is a series of stories about her life, bits and pieces and scenes that have been important to her and which reveal something of her upbringing,

her career, her feelings, her relationships, and her humanitarian efforts. The voice is authentic; it feels like the reader is sitting in a room with her having a conversation. My only problem with the book is that it could have used a little more editing. At one point she talks about making a movie for several pages in great detail, but never mentions the title of the movie. I had to go on the Internet and look it up to find out what she was talking about. That doesn't usually happen in a professionally edited and published book. But overall, I enjoyed WILDFLOWER very much and feel that I know Drew Barrymore a lot better than I did.

I have always enjoyed Drew Barrymore's movies and remember her as a wild child in her younger days. She tells her stories of different times in her life and discusses how she got through the tough times and came out better for living through them. The book isn't written chronologically but skips back and forth in time which is a bit confusing. I did like the parts of the book when she talked about motherhood and her children because she seems so sincere about how she loves her two girls, Olive and Frankie. The same affections were expressed for her husband, but it was sad to recently hear that they are divorcing. Drew seems to be an impulsive person who makes up her mind to go to another country and within hours she's on a plane headed to India or Africa. She grew up with little parental involvement in her life but by age 6 she was cast in the movie "E.T. Extraterrestrial." In some passages about movies she is so involved with talking about her admiration for certain actors and producers that I think she overdoes it a bit.. From what she says in the book, she does pour heart and soul into what she takes on, and takes her work seriously. There are some very humorous parts in the book as well as serious and even sad ones. I enjoyed the book, but would have liked it better had it not skipped around so much in time.

Is boring. I'm giving it two stars just cuz I love her! I think that explains the generous reviews. Put it down finally in the middle of the "adorable" story about her cooking pancakes. Zzzzzzz

It's simple, sweet, and totally consistent with the Drew you see in interviews and want to believe is really just that kind and lovable. She friggin' is. It's a straight-forward, unpretentious collection of stories that seem to mean the most to her. Of all the celebrity autobiographical books I've read, this one struck me as the most likely to actually be completely and totally written by the subject herself. It sounds like her, and doesn't stretch to be anything more impressive. So, if you like Drew, you'll probably like it, and if you can't stand her, it doesn't matter because you're a monster. ;)

Wildflower was a wonderful surprise! I don't often read celebrity books, but a recent review of this made me pick it up. So pleasantly surprised. After reading it, I want to meet Drew and give her a hug for the lessons she learned (the hard way), shared, and taught along the way. I'm most thrilled for her daughters, who will blossom into kind, gentle, strong women because of the mom they are blessed to have and the family she luckily found and made that much more whole. A lesson in believing in, and caring enough about yourself, regardless of life's circumstance, so that you can make your world better!

I Didn't think it was very interesting. I thought she could have gone more in depth about her life.

I love Drew Barrymore. She made it through a difficult childhood and has become a sweet and loving mother, savvy business woman and as always, an actor worth watching. She is not a professional writer, and this book reflects that. This is more a collection of thoughts and experiences than a story. It is told in Drew's sweet voice and is very enjoyable. Not a masterpiece as far as writing is concerned, but well worth the time to read.

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