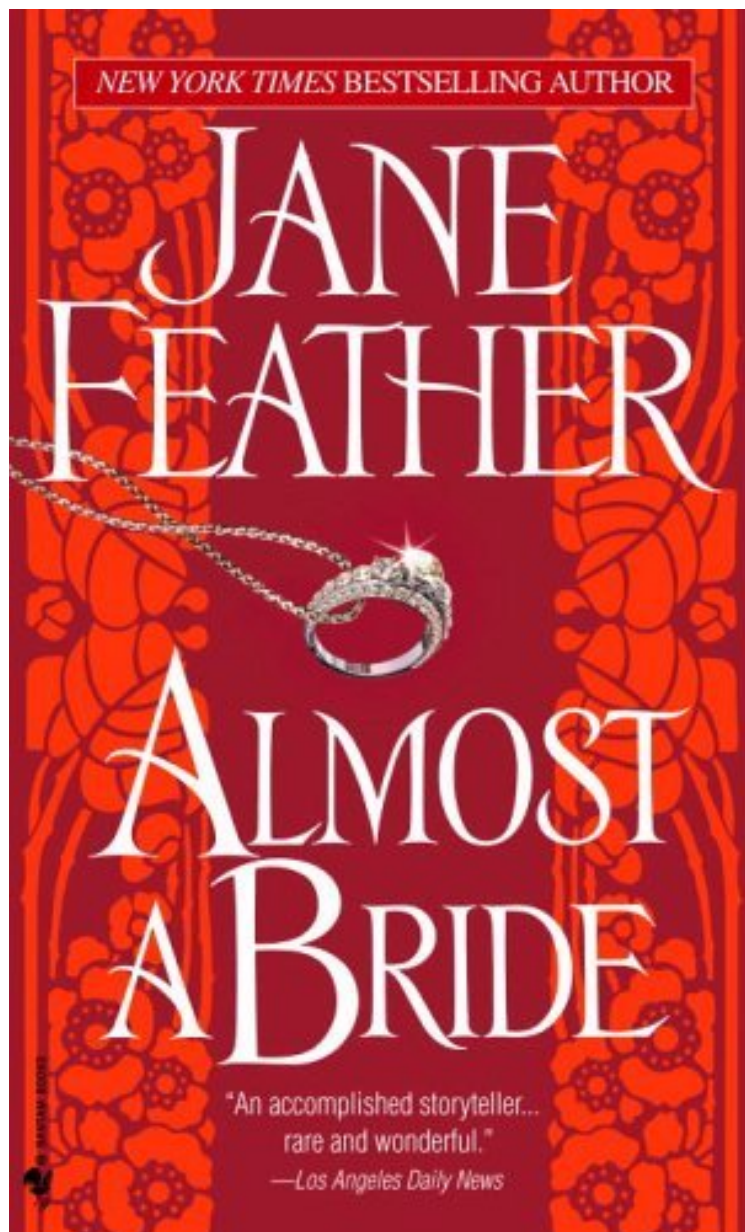


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Berckender Liebesroman voll emotionaler Tiefe Von LoveLetter Magazin Lady Arabella Lacey ist entsetzt zu erfahren, dass ihr Bruder seinen gesamten Besitz an Jack Fortescu, Duke of St. Jules, verloren hat. Sein gesamter Besitz - das schließt auch sie selbst ein! Zu ihrer großen Überraschung bietet Jack ihr sofort die Ehe an, und in Ermangelung besserer Alternativen willigt sie schließlich ein. Bald genießt sie in London das mondne Leben. Auch ihrem Ehemann steht Arabella schnell nicht mehr gleichgültig gegenüber, und es scheint, dass auch Jack ihr gegenüber Gefühle entwickelt. Trotzdem bleibt er ein Mann mit vielen Geheimnissen und noch immer hat er ihr nicht die eine wichtige Frage beantwortet: Warum? Jane Feathers Buch ist eine Herausforderung. Wer von Anfang an in einem Taumel der Gefühle gefangen werden will, ist hier auf jeden Fall falsch. Die Ehe ist eine echte Zweckgemeinschaft und wird von beiden Seiten aus rein rationalen Gründen geschlossen. Jack und Arabellas Leben haben zunächst außerhalb des Ehebettes nur wenige Berührungspunkte. Erst langsam erfolgt eine Annäherung bei Gesprächen und auch Auseinandersetzungen (wobei das große Missverständnis" erfreulicherweise vermieden wird). Doch genau das verleiht dem Buch eine Realitätsnähe und Ehrlichkeit, die es zu einem berückenden Leseerlebnis werden lassen. Der Heiratsantrag" ist ein wunderbarer, ganz erwachsener Liebesroman, der letztendlich eine erstaunliche emotionale Tiefe entwickelt. Und obwohl das Paar natürlich das erwartete Happy End bekommt, sollten am Ende auf jeden Fall Taschentücher bereit gehalten werden.

Kurzbeschreibung In this spectacular new romance from acclaimed New York Times bestselling author Jane Feather, fate deals one stubbornly single young woman and one deceptively heartless man a shocking hand in a high-stakes bet. But is love in the cards? Jack Fortescu gambles to win, and this time his prize is not only his rival's lavish mansion but everything in it including the man's beautiful sister! But when it comes to games, Jack has met his match. . . . Left homeless by her brother's escapade, Arabella Lacey has two appalling choices: pack her bags or agree to marry the lunatic who's taken over her house. Why would such a handsome and outrageously wealthy man want such an unromantic arrangement? Arabella intends to find out, and have a little fun in the process at Jack's expense . . . literally. As Jack discovers that his reluctant bride is no ordinary beauty, he feels a stir of admiration, among other emotions, that wasn't part of the bargain. Now he's the one with everything to lose. . . . From the Paperback edition. From Publishers Weekly Starred . In this boundary-pushing page-turner, bestseller Feather (The Bride Hunt) forsakes the familiar terrain of the Regency era for an earlier decade, that of the French Terror. Englishman Jack Fortescu, the duke of St. Jules, lost his sister in the Terror. Determined to take vengeance on Frederick Lacey, the man who betrayed her to the security, Jack ruins him at cards, gaining his fortune after Lacey kills himself. With the estate, however, comes Lacey's 28-year-old half-sister Arabella, who's self-confident, blunt and wary of the intentions of the polished but arrogant duke. When he proposes a marriage of convenience, deciding that possessing his enemy's sister is his final revenge, Arabella's suspicions redouble. But she's without support in the world, and marriage would bring her into the London political circles she has always wished to join. While their marriage is more satisfying than either expects, the distrust on both sides and Jack's silence on his past create obstacles that only Arabella's emotional bravery can overcome. Rich with details that put the "historical" back into historical romance, this tale seethes with breathtaking tension even as it explores the aches and joys that a true emotional union brings. (Mar. 29) Copyright Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved. From Booklist Jack Fortescu, Duke of St. Jules, seeks to ruin Frederick Lacey; then, after Lacey's death, he goes to Lacey's country estate to inform his vanquished foe's half-sister, Arabella, of her brother's demise. He then proposes marriage, and is surprised by her unwillingness to accept his generous offer. But Arabella realizes immediately that Jack has ulterior motives, and she is not sure that she is willing to give up the little independence she has at the ripe age of 28. She knows that her brother was a coward, but she doesn't understand why the duke wants her after ruining Frederick, even as she realizes that a woman without a male relative has very few options. When Jack finally claims Arabella, his plans for revenge are complete, yet he finds that he is getting far more than he bargained for. Feather explores the dark side of the early Regency period and the French Revolution in this moving and complex romance, one of her best yet. Patty Engelmann Copyright American Library Association. All rights reserved