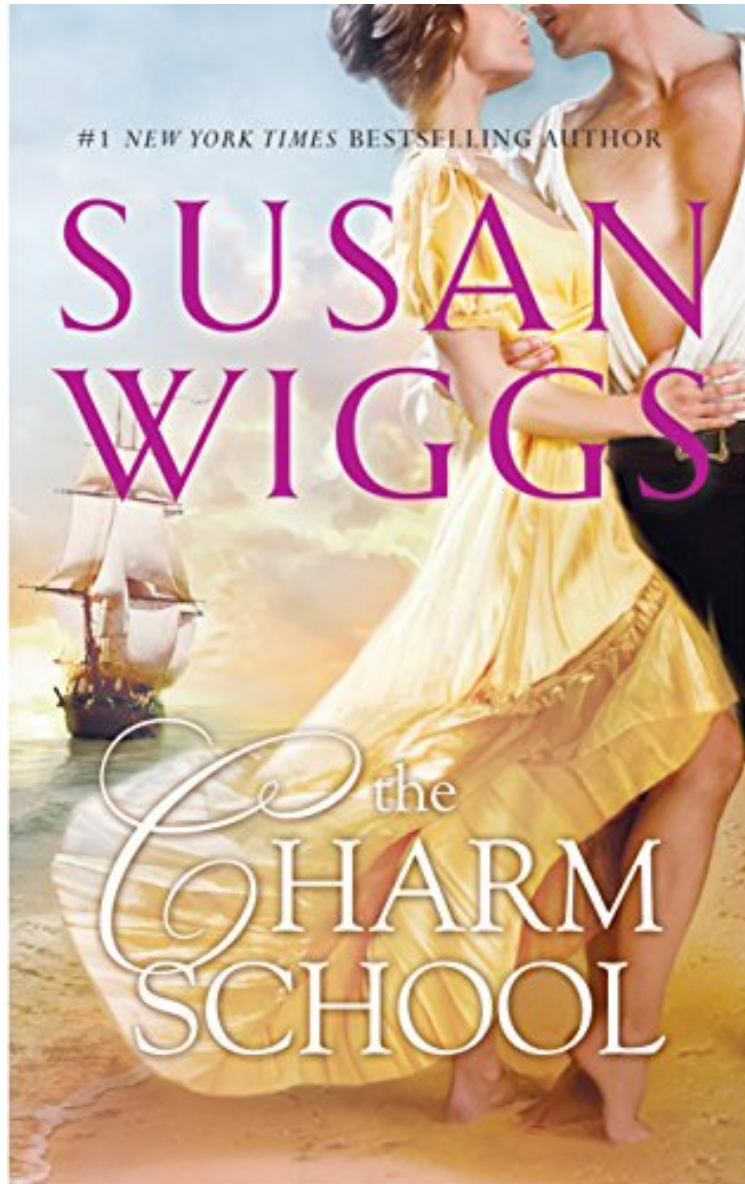


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Von Susan Wiggs : The Charm School (Calhoun Chronicles) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Charm School (Calhoun Chronicles):

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen4 von 4 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. An enjoyable read with plenty of interesting detailsVon Helen Hancox"The Charm School" is the first book that I have read by Susan Wiggs and I enjoyed it so much that I will look out for some of her others.Isadora Peabody is the ugly

duckling of the Peabody family and she's so used to being overlooked and misunderstood (she's very intelligent and well-read) that she had turned in on herself and become a dull person. Her family don't understand her and the only person in whom she has any interest is Chad, a friend of her brothers', but Chad doesn't seem to notice her. Then Isadora has a chance to escape - to take a sea voyage as translator on the Silver Swan, a trading ship. Unfortunately her first introduction to the captain Ryan Calhoun wasn't optimal but she manages to persuade the ship's owner to let her come aboard, against Captain Calhoun's wishes. When they set sail the book really takes off - the description of sailing in the mid-nineteenth century are excellent. I'm a bit of a sailor myself and I found it fascinating to read about how all the crew worked together on the boat and the different tasks they had. There's a very strong theme throughout the book about the slave trade in America and the way that so many people were slave owners without ever really thinking about it. There is some wonderful description when the ship docks in Rio and the way that Isadora slowly unfurls from the ugly duckling into the swan is beautifully written. The ending is satisfying and overall it was a very enjoyable book and I recommend it very highly. 2 von 2 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. In love all over again . . . Von Ein Kunde This is truly a wonderful book. I could not put it down, and yes I laughed and cried at even the happy parts. Susan Wiggs, you're fabulous to stimulate our imaginations and make us romantic-hungry women ever so satiated. Actually, I'm not satisfied - I feel I need to read it again, because I can't get enough. Yes, I know, calm down already - it's just a book with the most dreamy and heartwarming of heroes like Ryan Calhoun and a sweet, insecure woman (sound familiar? It's within many of us I'm sure) in Isadora Peabody. Who both fell in love . . . in a very endearing and yet ever so sexy-captivating kind of way. The rogueish ship captain and the shy, intelligent spinster . . . Who would ever imagine such an attraction so great, that you'd just want to read on and on and on . . . 2 von 2 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. All in all...a good read Von Ein Kunde I like the plot centering around "the ugly duckling" who turns into a beautiful swan. Although, I wish the "ugly duckling", Isadora, had started out with slightly more backbone than she did but all is forgiven. She turned out to be just what our hero, Ryan, needed. Ryan is a very charming, very irresponsible but lovable man. Just the kind of man every woman would love to take home and keep. With fun characters like these, Ryan's mother and the charming crew of the Swan, how can you go wrong. I was a little disappointed with this Susan Wiggs book only because I didn't laugh nearly as much as I usually do reading her books. I did, however, enjoy it and that's all that's important.

Kurzbeschreibung The captain had abandoned society. She was too unrefined for it. An awkward misfit in an accomplished Boston family, Isadora Peabody yearns to escape her social isolation and sneaks aboard the Silver Swan, bound for Rio, leaving it all behind. Ryan Calhoun, too, had a good family name. But he'd purposely walked away from everything it afforded him. Driven by his quest to right an old wrong, the fiery, temperamental sea captain barely registers the meek young woman who comes aboard his ship. To the Swan's motley crew, the tides of attraction clearly flow between the two. Teaching her the charms of a lady, they hope to build the confidence she needs to attract not only their lonely captain's attention, but his heart, as well. For everyone knows the greatest charms are not those of the formal lady, but rather the possibilities of a new world built on love..de Setting: Boston and Rio de Janeiro, 1851 Sensuality: 7 Isadora Peabody is the brilliant but socially inept sibling in an otherwise perfect family. And although she struggles to fit into Boston society, her awkwardness dooms her to repeated failure. Fate intervenes when she learns that a sea captain, Ryan Calhoun, is in need of an interpreter for his next voyage to Rio. And despite Ryan's adamant opposition to hiring a female interpreter, Isadora gains a berth on his ship, thanks to a little blackmail. Life aboard ship and away from the strict confines of Boston society finds Isadora losing weight, gaining confidence, and blooming like a rose. She befriends the motley crew of rough sailors, and in turn, they become a charm school of sorts, tutoring her in gracefulness--which comes in handy when climbing the rope rigging--dancing, and friendship. Isadora's transformation fascinates Ryan, but he is determined to stay away from her for he has secretive, dangerous plans. Unaware of Ryan's interest, Isadora struggles with her growing attraction to the reckless sea captain. But before they can resolve their feelings, prior commitments surface and endanger their chance of finding a happy future together. The Charm School is a tale of the evolution of two complicated people and the powerful love that binds them. Wiggs skillfully peels away the layers that conceal the real Isadora until the transformation from misfit to confident woman is complete, while Ryan develops from a wild, rebellious southerner into a man who can overcome impossible odds to reach his goals. If you like swashbuckling adventure, fascinating characters, vivid settings, and surprising plot twists, this wonderful novel will be just your cup of tea.--Lois Faye Dyer.com Setting: Boston and Rio de Janeiro, 1851 Sensuality: 7 Isadora Peabody is the brilliant but socially inept sibling in an otherwise perfect family. And although she struggles to fit into Boston society, her awkwardness dooms her to repeated failure. Fate intervenes when she learns that a sea captain, Ryan Calhoun, is in need of an interpreter for his next voyage to Rio. And despite Ryan's adamant opposition to hiring a female interpreter, Isadora gains a berth on his ship, thanks to a little blackmail. Life aboard ship and away from the strict confines of Boston society finds Isadora losing weight, gaining confidence, and blooming like a rose. She befriends the motley crew of rough sailors, and in turn, they become a charm school of sorts,

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