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Editorial Review

From Publishers Weekly

Some confessions are better left unuttered, as Sarah Price learns in Stewart's (*The Myth of You and Me*) solid latest. When novelist Nathan Bennett confesses to his wife, Sarah, right before a friend's wedding that he slept with another woman (his novel is titled *Infidelity*), Sarah's concerns shift from whether the dress she plans to wear to the wedding makes her look fat to what she will do about her future and that of their two young children, Mattie and Binx. What follows is an unflinching look at what happens when one's identity is shattered, and what-ifs and past choices come back to haunt the present. Chief among these what-ifs: Rajiv, an old friend nursing a long-unrequited crush on Sarah, and Sarah's longing to be seen once again as a poet. Stewart's graceful prose and easy storytelling pull the reader into caring about what happens to the struggling heroine while exploring the many gray areas of life and marriage. The conclusion, while true to Sarah, is surprising but not unrealistic. (*May*)

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Review

"Stewart's book does what real life doesn't always allow: It gives the woman a voice." (Raleigh News & Observer)

"Stewart creates a crisis of faith where adult reality collides with youthful dreams. The writing is tactile, elemental, even comical, providing readers with a situation that could so easily be their own." (Library Journal (starred review))

"Heartbreaking and darkly humorous. . . . [Stewart] is an acute social observer." (BookPage.com)

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"Hilarious, heartbreaking, and wise, *Husband and Wife* is a novel to savor. Stewart's bright heroine is faced with an impossible choice—and I couldn't put the book down until I'd followed her story to the end." (Amanda Eyre Ward, author of *Love Stories in This Town*)

"This narrative voice is so alive and specific that it moves past the idea of 'narrative voice' to become a human woman speaking to you. . . . I cherish this wry, funny, aching, intelligent character and this book!" (Marisa de los Santos, author of *Belong to Me* and *Love Walked In*)

From the Back Cover

Sarah Price has never regretted trading her MFA for a steady job so that her husband, Nathan, could write fiction. But at age thirty-five, her world is turned upside-down by a shocking revelation: Nathan's upcoming novel, *Infidelity*, is based on fact. Reeling from his betrayal, Sarah is plagued by dark questions. How well does she really know her husband? More important, how well does she know herself?

For answers, Sarah looks back to her artistic twentysomething self to try to understand what exactly has happened to her dreams. And so begins her quest to discover which version of herself is the essential one—the artist, wife, mother, or someone else entirely—an eye-opening journey that leads Sarah hundreds of

miles away from her marriage and back to herself.

Users Review

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