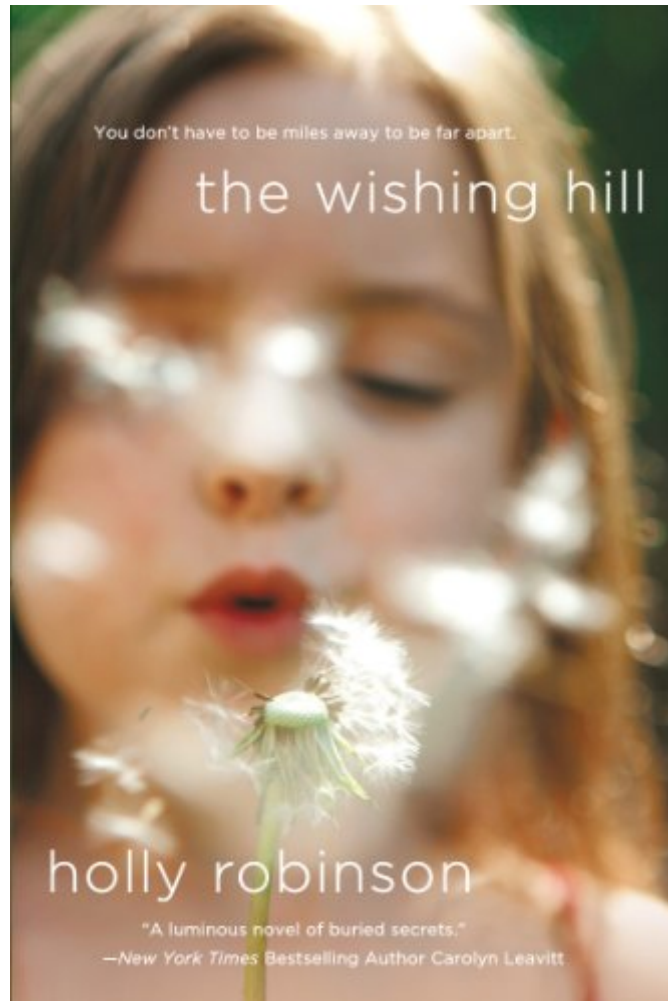




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The Wishing Hill: A Novel



Synopsis

What if everything you knew about your life was wrong? Years ago, Juliet Clark gave up her life in California to follow the man she loved to Mexico and pursue her dream of being an artist. Now her marriage is over, and she's alone, selling watercolors to tourists on the Puerto Vallarta boardwalk. When her brother asks her to come home to wintry New England and care for their ailing mother, a flamboyant actress with a storied past, Juliet goes reluctantly. She and her self-absorbed mother have always clashed. Plus, nobody back home knows about her divorce or the fact that she's pregnant and her ex-husband is not the father. Juliet intends to get her mother back on her feet and return to Mexico fast, but nothing goes as planned. Instead she meets a man who makes her question every choice and reawakens her spirit, even as she is being drawn into a long-running feud between her mother and a reclusive neighbor. Little does she know that these relationships hold the key to shocking secrets about her family and herself that have been hiding in plain sight. | CONVERSATION GUIDE INCLUDED

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Customer Reviews

This was a great read for me. I love books about relationships, particularly those that have

characters who are strong and determined. This was one of those books. The characters in this book were immensely strong women - in different ways. The plot follows Juliet as she learns about her family and the secrets surrounding her birth as she is preparing to give birth to her own child. Desiree is one of those flamboyant personalities that you love, sympathize with and know would make you crazy. Claire is a calming influence for Juliet until the secret unravels. Will is a good brother in every way, supporting and sustaining Juliet as she learns more about the family secret. All together, they are a family and that's what counts. I look forward to reading more by this author. Highly recommended

This is novel at its best. The story's sharp eye allows no one to take shelter, and it doesn't flinch; it is simply and breathtakingly honest . . . A stunning accomplishment. I relished each moment that the author gave us in the book. The writing was superb and shows the intelligence and immense talent that has made the author a bestseller. Robinson did a very good job of creating characters that were relatable and interesting. The Wishing Well brilliantly melds together themes of family, hope, loss, secrets, and a mature once-in-a-lifetime kind of love. The result is a tremendously moving story that is destined to make bestselling author Holly Robinson a novelist to whom readers will return again and again. The book deals with family, love, loss, finding yourself, and the mysterious ways that life can impact us when we least expect it. The characters were very well rounded and had unique personalities and quirks that made each one unforgettable for the reader. The beauty of this book comes from the intricate details. It speaks volumes about the true nature of people and how we all deal with tough issues in life. Terrific book. I can't recommend it highly enough.

Wow!! I truly loved THE WISHING HILL from the very first page. Holly pulls you right in and never lets you go! I was totally caught up in all the characters lives and found myself cheering for Juliet along the way! She learns some deep secrets about herself and her family. Everything she thought was her life was a total lie. From her idiot, soon to be ex husband to her own mother. She has been dealt a pretty harsh hand and now must find a way to deal with it and learn to move on. What will she choose? Who will she be with? You are going to have to read THE WISHING HILL to find out! I was flipping the pages like crazy, I couldn't stop! I had to see how the story was going to end. Many times I wanted to take Desiree and shake her to death! How can anyone be so mean spirited? I was yelling at Juliet to just run away from her! THE WISHING HILL deals with family, love, secrets, choices, forgiveness, and learning about your past and moving on. Secrets can be a very bad thing and can lead to a life time of regrets. I loved this book and can't wait to read more by Holly! Five

stars all the way for me!

Holly Robinson delivers a vivid, compassionate and heartwarming story of old and new relationships, buried secrets, and a second chance in life to find our own true identity. Juliet Clark had her own dream of becoming a successful artist, but her life changed as quickly as the wind shifts, when she fell in love. After she left California behind her and followed her soul-mate to Mexico, her marriage crumbled to pieces, losing everything she believed in. While alone, divorced and pregnant, she received an urgent phone call from her brother, asking Juliet to return to New England to care for their ailing mother. The relationship between Juliet and her mother always clashed, so Juliet planned to help, then return to Mexico as quickly as possible. The wind began to shift again as Juliet's plans flew out the window after she meets another man, who she is attracted to, while finding herself in the middle of a feud, between her mother and a neighbor. As Juliet attempts to carry out her mission, she discovers that shocking secrets have been buried under the carpet for years and the time has come to learn the truth, before mending the old, picket fence. The author creates a colorful portrait of family members, striving for new connections, through an intriguing, emotional story of one family. A mother who was an actress with a storied past, a distant brother, and a daughter in desperate need of a loving relationship. The reader is taken through many different doors as we witness old relationships, new relationships, and relationships that are reborn. The story is filled with warmth and wit, with a blend of romance as it tugs at the heart. "THE WISHING HILL" is as touching as Terms Of Endearment, as thought-provoking as Now And Then, and as entertaining as Hanging-Up! Highly recommended!

Great book with rich characters. The struggles between sisters, and again with mother and daughter were both heartbreaking and uplifting. Interspersed with life lessons such as Chinese checkers. You can have a great strategy, but the only problem is that all the other players are trying to do the same thing. Other peoples choices are conflicting with yours! (Good one).

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