

Wet Nurse



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This work is now out-of-print. After 32 years of straight-and-narrow normalcy, Amanda Keane never thought she'd be a single mom. But, thanks to an Irish waiter on a travel visa with nice eyes, nimble fingers and an aversion to responsibility, that's quite the case. In the past two years, she's been stranded at the altar, spent her life savings on a C-section, lost her job and most of her self-respect. Teetering on the edge of poverty, Amanda's desperate to provide for her daughter, Maddie, in any way she can.

Luckily, she's got one thing going for her: she can lactate like a champ. With the help of Joy, her best friend-slash-gynecologist, Amanda gets connected to the newborn-weary wife of a star NBA player, and embarks on her new career as an underground wet nurse for the offspring of Chicago's rich and famous.

Amanda learns to live at the whims and mercy of the one percent over the course of the next year as she deals with the irony of feeding--and loving--these privileged babies while missing her own daughter's milestones. During this year of discovery, Amanda finds how strong she really is, what she's willing to compromise and what it truly means to be a mother. As she puts the pieces of her life back together into an entirely new puzzle, Amanda learns to become a victor, rather than a victim, of circumstance.