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#### **Editorial Review**

#### From Publishers Weekly

A little bundle of joy changes everything in this quirky chick-lit tale of baby love and grown-up commitment from prolific British author Mansell (Thinking of You). After Dexter Yates's sister Laura, a single mom, suddenly dies, he decides to adopt his infant niece, Delphi. Laura chose me to be Delphi's guardian, he says. If I don't do it, I'll be letting her down. The decision is an uncharacteristically responsible one by the London playboy's standards, but Dex will ultimately chuck his sleek bachelor pad, busy sex life, and canary yellow Porsche to settle in quaint Briarwood with Delphi. He's encouraged to work on his previously nonexistent daddy skills by his neighbor Molly Hayes, a gifted cartoonist with a messy romantic past. A shared love of Delphi provides the first connection for Dex and Molly, but trust will be far harder for the pair. This theme of broken and mended love plays out among the village's other residents, including retired actress Hope, who reconnects with her true love, and barmaid Lois, who stumbles into bed with a dreamy-looking bore. While it's no surprise when this mixed-up bunch finds the courage to trust their hearts, their meandering course to happiness is charmingly well charted. Agent: Jennifer Unter, RLR Associates. (Nov.)

#### From Booklist

When Dexter's beloved sister dies, he leaves behind his high-powered career, modern apartment, and busy social life to raise her baby daughter, Delphi, in the country. Though he often second-guesses his abilities, Dexter grows into the role of surrogate dad with some help. One new neighbor in particular, comely cartoonist Molly, has a special affect on him, but he must convince her she's more than just a friend and occasional babysitter. Unexpected parenthood is a popular plot device, but Mansell (Thinking of You, 2013) manages to make it fresh by weaving in the stories of the quirky townspeople who complete Dexter and Delphi's new circle, though a few plotlines do miss the mark. Mansell keeps churning out hits with her signature blend of humor, romance, and multiple happy endings, and this book follows that formula with aplomb. Though she sometimes veers toward stereotypes, these characters will strike a chord with readers. -- Aleksandra Walker

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"If you're at all a fan of Cabot or Kinsella, then I can readily and happily recommend this novel as another fun addition to the genre." - *Bitten by Love Reviews* 

"I know when I curl up in my favorite spot with her newest offering that I'm in for a comforting treat to the senses and once again she delivered with *Don't Want to Miss a Thing*. It was sweet, funny, and even a tiny bit sad but oh so fantastic!" - *Peeking Between the Pages* 

"Jill Mansell always writes funny, happy romances. You get to know the characters in the book and become absorbed in their lives. Don't Want to Miss a Thing is full of laughs, romance, and is just an all around makes you feel good book." - *Book Nook* 

"The thing about Jill Mansell characters are they are so imperfect and they all revel in their imperfections. And those imperfections make really great stories, as was the case with this one." - *The Book Binge* 

"Yet another story filled with delightful characters who you grow to love as the plot progresses." - *Long and Short Reviews* 

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"Bottom line, I have been enjoying Jill Mansell novels for many years and I always look forward to her next book. They are fresh and funny and heartwarming and always so full of charm. If " - *Charlotte's Web of Books* 

"Jill Mansell is the queen of British chick lit... Her characters are realistically flawed and completely loveable." - *Royal Reviews* 

"Mansell is a master of the rom com story... Really, who doesn't love a happy ending. And with Jill Mansell, the trip to that happy ending is oh, so enjoyable! " - A Bookworm's World

"I enjoyed the great characters, great story, and great setting. I also loved how all of the storylines were tied up at the end." - *Laura's Reviews* 

"I loved how many story lines Mansell had in this book... Instead of getting close to one couple, you actually get close to a whole community." - *The Kari AnnAlysis* 

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