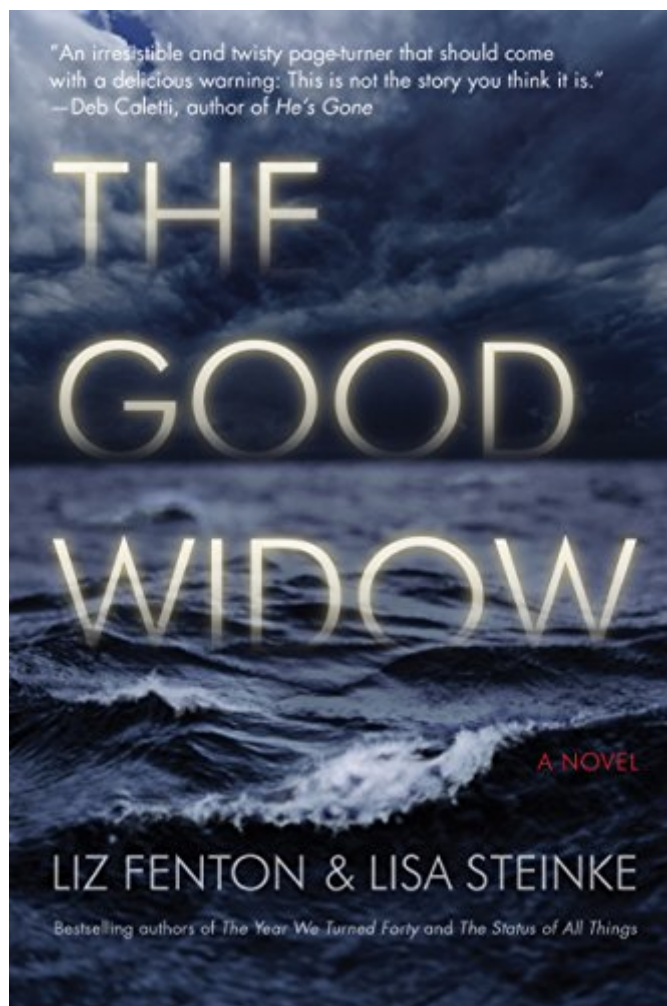


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The Good Widow: A Novel



Synopsis

Charts bestselling authors Liz Fenton and Lisa Steinke make their suspense debut in this twisty, emotional thriller. Elementary school teacher Jacqueline "Jacks" Morales's marriage was far from perfect, but even in its ups and downs it was predictable, familiar. Or at least she thought it was until two police officers showed up at her door with devastating news. Her husband of eight years, the one who should have been on a business trip to Kansas, had suffered a fatal car accident in Hawaii. And he wasn't alone. For Jacks, laying her husband to rest was hard. But it was even harder to think that his final moments belonged to another woman—one who had left behind her own grieving and bewildered fiancé. Nick, just as blindsided by the affair, wants answers. So he suggests that he and Jacks search for the truth together, retracing the doomed lovers' last days in paradise. Now, following the twisting path of that fateful road, Jacks is learning that nothing is ever as it seems. Not her marriage. Not her husband. And most certainly not his death.

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Customer Reviews

I didn't read any of the blurbs for this book so had no idea what it was about. At first, I thought it a bit

boring but it didn't take long for it to take hold. Jacqueline "Jacks" Morales is left reeling with the news that her husband James is dead after his car tumbles off a cliff in Maui. Worse yet, his death uncovers an affair with a woman named Dylan, who also died in the Jeep along with James. Caught in a tailspin of emotion, Jacks shuts down until she gets a surprise visit from Nick "Dylan" Morales's equally devastated fiancé, who suggests they seek closure by retracing James and Dylan's steps in Maui. There is much more to this story that will have you turning the pages till you reach the end. There are a lot of unexpected twists and turns in this book. If you enjoy mystery and growth, friendships and family, you will enjoy this book. A 4.5 for a well written novel.

So I haven't finished the book yet, but I had to stop and write a review anyway. If you are on the fence about this book, just stop thinking and buy it!!! I used to be an avid reader, reading at least two books a week. I haven't been able to get into any books, really, for the last two years or so. Saw this pop up on Facebook, read the blurb, and decided to give it a try while recovering in bed. Didn't really have high expectations, and honestly wasn't even that excited to read it; I just needed something to do. From page 1 I was blown away by the writing style, the character development, the plot, just the whole thing. Debut novels are always my favorite anyway, and this one is no exception. I had to stop reading long enough to work, but I guarantee I won't be going to bed until I read the last page. Definitely worth the money, definitely worth the time.

The story line was predictable in many ways. I found myself skipping pages because I knew what they said without even reading them. The end does have a little twist, which made the rest of the book "worth it." But for the last few chapters, I would have given this 2 stars. This is a solid beach read. It's not the kind of book that leaves you speechless or wanting to go back and reread passages.

I live in Southern California and love psychological thrillers. This book gave me both things--the fantastic OC setting, a mystery and as a bonus, a trip to Maui. Yes, it was, as another reviewer said, a bit Lifetime Movie-ish. But I love Lifetime movies so for me that's not a downside. Pick this up. You won't be able to put it down.

After a few chapters of getting really tired of the protagonist's incessant whining, I skimmed to the end, which I could have skipped considering that who was the bad guy (of course!), was pretty

obvious when he is the only guy still alive. There is this concept called brevity which the authors would do well to investigate.

Not my kind of book but my wife might like it! Too girly for me

A good read, kept my interest.

A very interesting book with twists and turns unexpected.

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