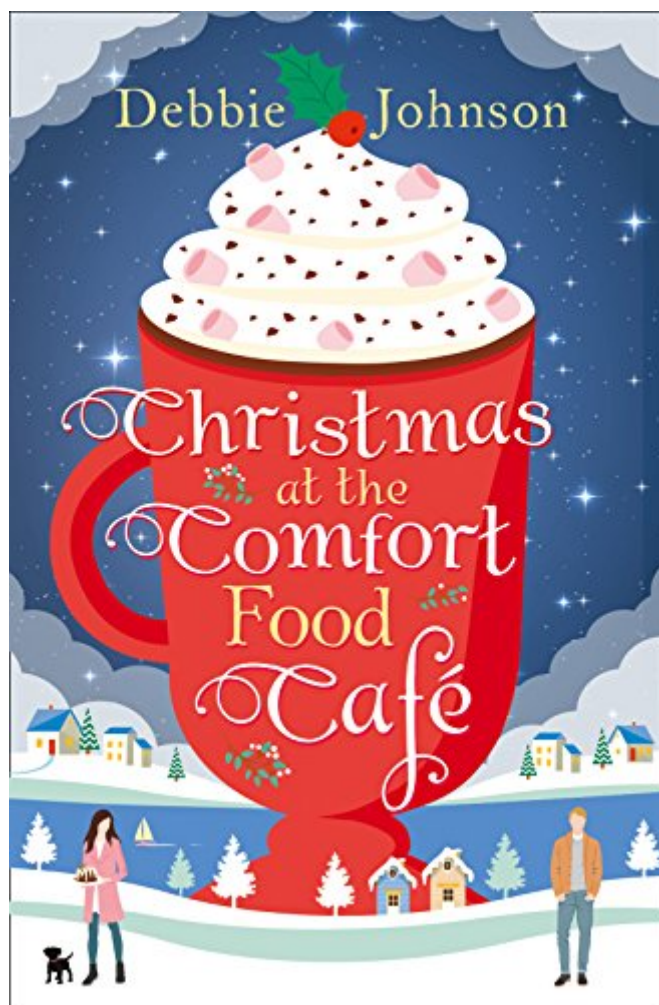


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Christmas At The Comfort Food Cafe: A Feel Good Cosy Romance Perfect For Fans Of Bake Off



Synopsis

Full of quirky characters, friendship and humour, you will devour this engaging and heartwarming novel in one sitting. Becca Fletcher hates Christmas so much, she's considering getting "Bah Humbug!" tattooed on her forehead. She has her reasons for being Little Miss Grinch; Reasons that make this the very worst time of year for her. Now, though, she can't avoid her version of ho-ho-hell because she's travelling to the Comfort Food Cafe to spend the festive season with her sister Laura, and her family. She's expecting mulled wine, 24-hour Christmas movie marathons and all kinds of very merry torture. But little does Becca know that the Comfort Food Cafe is like no other place on earth. Perched on a snow-covered hill on a windswept bay, it's a place full of friendship where broken hearts can heal, new love can blossom and where Becca's Christmas miracle really could happen if only she can let it. What readers are saying about Christmas at the Comfort Food Cafe: "Like a mug of hot chocolate with marshmallows" warm, melting your heart and cheering. On My Bookshelf "A treat to read at anytime of the year, but even more perfect with Christmas approaching." Books and Me "Full of friendship and village community spirit, beautiful scenery, romance and fun." Bookworms and Shutterbugs

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Customer Reviews

As delicious as a glass of mulled wine and as irresistible as a slice of panettone, Christmas at the Comfort Food Cafe is an uplifting, heartwarming and feel-good novella from Debbie Johnson's talented pen. Laura and Becca might be sisters, but they are as different as chalk and cheese. While Laura has always been the good girl who never put a foot wrong, Becca was the rebel who enjoyed flouting authority and breaking all the rules. Becca might not be that angry teenager with a permanent scowl on her face anymore, but she has grown used to keeping everyone at arm's length and her feelings and emotions firmly under lock and key. Having made a life for herself where her only companion is loneliness, Becca cannot envisage ever trusting anyone enough to let them penetrate the walls which she has built around herself, but could this Christmas see her stubborn resolve to keep the world at bay melt like a snowflake? Becca is delighted that her sister Laura has made a new life for herself in Dorset. After the unexpected death of her husband David, Laura had packed her bags, bundled her two kids into her car and had moved away from Manchester and started anew far away from all the painful memories of the past that had haunted her. In Dorset, Laura had made new friends, found pleasure in living again and had also fallen in love and been given a second chance at happiness. Laura has been worried about Becca and the life she is leading. Concerned that pain and anguish are stopping her sister from living, Laura decides to invite Becca to spend the festive season with them and experience the true magic of Christmas with her family and her friends at the Comfort Food Cafe. When Becca arrives at her sister's house, she is delighted to see Laura so happy again.

this summer I had the pleasure of reading Summer at the Comfort Food Cafe and I fell completely in love with this cafe and its lively community. So when Debbie Johnson announced she was writing a Christmas novella, I was over the moon. This time the story was all about Becca, Laura's sister. We only met her via phone this summer so I was really curious to know more about her. And if you haven't read the summer part (which I highly recommend), you can easily read this one as it has its own stand-alone story. The story starts when Laura and Becca were little kids and we read about their Christmases back then. I really enjoyed this part as we get a clear image of how these characters were back then and gives us the perfect background to understand them better as adults. When we fast-forward to the present, Becca, who we now know is not the biggest fan of Christmas, is about to join her sister at the Comfort Food Cafe for the first time to spend Christmas with her and her family. The cafe is like a sanctuary for Laura, it's the place where she found herself again so she hopes it will help Becca too. But Becca is more than OK with her current life. She has

demons from the past but she has get used to them by now and is in no rush to change anything, or so she thinks. I really enjoyed getting to know Becca. She was difficult to love sometimes but I couldn't help but care for her. Once again, Debbie Johnson has created a story with so much heart. It has a greater depth that really gets to you and all the Christmas elements just add a touch of magic that complement the main story perfectly. It was also great to catch up with the characters from the previous book. My only complain is that this is a novella and not a full book!

Christmas and she doesn't. Becca has always hated the holiday and she has her reasons, but she'd rather keep them a secret. Christmas is a difficult time for her and she'd be perfectly content to miss it, but she will be there for her family. Being with Laura and the wonderful people she's gathered around her lifts Becca's spirits a little. Especially since she makes a new friend. His name is Sam and he's gorgeous, but Becca is officially off the market. The Comfort Food Caf   is a place where people can heal and even though Becca doesn't know she needs it, the magic of the place influences her. Spending time with her sister and having an apartment of her own even makes Becca cheerful every now and then. Will the Comfort Food Caf   change Becca's future the way it does for every visitor who needs it? Christmas at the Comfort Food Caf   is a great emotional holiday story. I liked that Becca isn't flawless. She can be grumpy, she knows she isn't the best company in the world and she likes solitude, not all the time, but being left in peace is important to her. Becca has a strong will and I loved that about her. She knows herself and she isn't afraid to face her own flaws. She can admit when she's wrong and she's honest. She's also kind and caring and she loves the people who are close to her with all her heart. Becca doesn't like Christmas, but she doesn't want to spoil it for others, I admired that. Her attitude suits the story, it was interesting to see if Becca would defrost a little and if she would be influenced by her stay above the Comfort Food Caf  . Debbie Johnson writes about people who can use some extra love and attention.

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