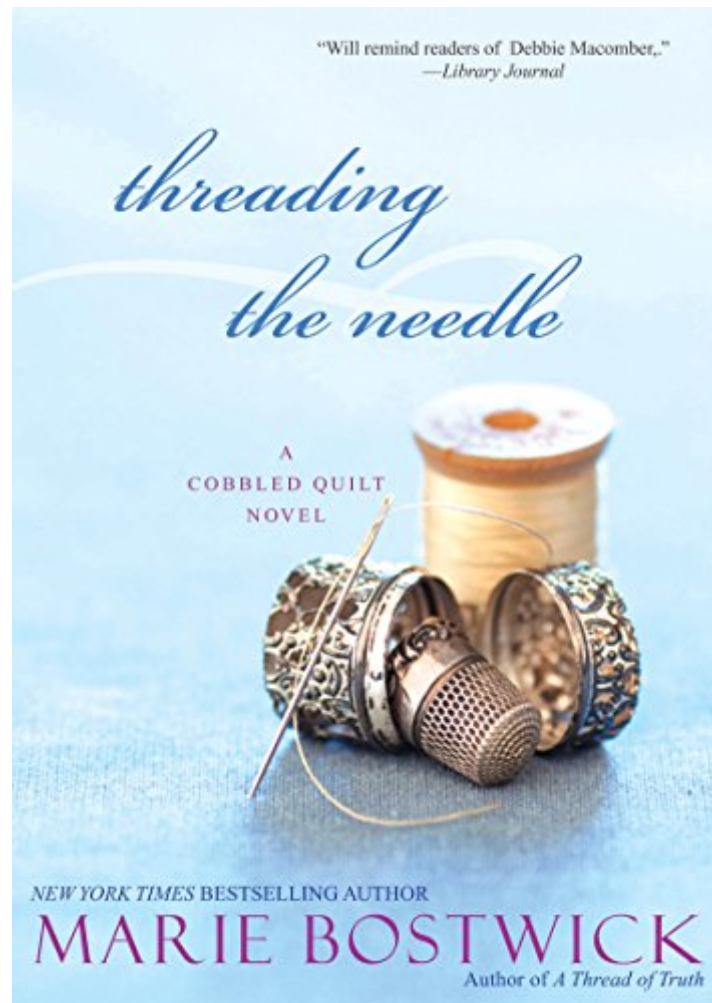


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Synopsis

From New York Times bestselling author Marie Bostwick comes a beautiful novel of sisterhood lost and found--and of the ways we create the rich tapestries that encompass the past and the future...
The economic downturn has hit New Bern, Connecticut, and Tessa Woodruff's herbal apothecary shop, *For the Love of Lavender*, is suffering. So is her once-happy thirty-four-year marriage to Lee. They'd given up everything to come back to New Bern from Boston and start their business, but now they're wondering if they made the right decision. To relieve the strain, Tessa signs up for a quilting class at the Cobbled Court Quilt Shop, and to her surprise, rediscovers the power of sisterhood--along with the childhood friend she thought she'd lost forever...
Madelyn Beecher left New Bern twenty years ago and never looked back. But when her husband is convicted of running a Ponzi scheme and she's left with nothing but her late grandmother's cottage, she is forced to return to the town she fled. Unfortunately, the cottage is in terrible shape. Madelyn's only hope is to transform it into an inn. But to succeed, she'll need the help of her fellow quilters, including the one friend she never thought she'd see again--or forgive. Now Madelyn and Tessa will have to relive old memories, forge new ones, and realize it's possible to start over, one stitch at a time--as long as you're surrounded by friends...
Praise for Marie Bostwick and her Cobbled Court Novels
"Bostwick is a topnotch storyteller...Enjoy hours of storytelling that will warm your heart and help renew your belief that people can be good, if given the chance."
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"Heartwarming...Bostwick's contemporary New England quilters series is an unbreakable thread of friendship and faith."
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"The women in *A Single Thread* will feel like your own girlfriends--emotional, funny, creative and deeply caring.
It's a story filled with wit and wisdom. Sit back and enjoy this big-hearted novel, and then pass it on to your best friend."
--Susan Wiggs, New York Times bestselling author
"Bostwick beautifully captures the very essence of women's friendships--the love, the pain, the trust, the forgiveness--and crafts a seamless and heartfelt novel from them."
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"[A] buoyant novel about the value of friendship...a tantalizing book club contender."
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"Bostwick's series continues to introduce interesting characters and compelling stories that show an appreciation for female friendship as well as a love for the art of quilting. Readers who have exhausted Jennifer Chiaverini's *Elm Creek Quilt* novels or Clare O'Donohue's *Someday Quilt* mysteries will definitely enjoy Bostwick."
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Customer Reviews

I am a huge fan of the "Cobbled Court" series, and this new novel is a true "gift" to all of Marie Bostwick's fans. (And, if you haven't read the Cobbled Court series - you are MISSING sheer perfection!) This new story focuses on pure and utter sisterhood, and what has happened to many, many businesses and towns during this horrible economic collapse that has ruined so many lives. In New Bern, Connecticut - a place where anything 'bad' never seems to tarnish the beautiful town - the apothecary shop called, For the Love of Lavender, that's run by Tessa Woodruff, is feeling the "pinch." Not only does Tessa have to deal with the business and financial issues, but she is also dealing with problems in her long-time marriage to Lee. As a team, Lee and Tessa actually moved back to New Bern from their life in Boston, and threw themselves into their small business dream. But, of course, now that finances are struggling, they are dealing with a bit of bitterness and anger growing between each other, wondering if they have made a huge mistake. Tessa needs some relief. She needs time away from Lee and the business in order to get a new perspective to hold on to the life she's always loved. What she decides to do is take a quilting class at the beloved Cobbled Court Quilt Shop. As always with Cobbled Court, the females in that building offer the wit,

compassion, friendship, love, and life lessons that all of us WISH we could have in our most trying times. And, with Tessa, it's no different. The Cobbled Court women take Tessa in and become her 'sisters' - the women who do everything within their power to put Tessa back on her feet and give her the strength to persevere. And...Tessa also receives a huge surprise! Her childhood friend, Madelyn Beecher.

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