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'A modern day Jilly Cooper' Glamour. Another fabulous novel from bestselling author WENDY HOLDEN. For fans of MARRYING UP.

When Mary meets Monty, heir to a stately pile, happiness seems assured. But as the mansion crumbles, passion wanes along with the heating.

Banker's wife **Beth** swaps Notting Hill for weekends at a bijou cottage. They only offered a *smidgeon* over the asking price. So why don't the locals like them?

Eco-harridan **Morag** is the terror of the village, with her objections to everyone and everything.

?ber-WAG **Alexandra** needs a footballer's mansion and fast. There must be a *Hello!*-tastic country pile with spa, champagne bar and parking for six SUVs *somewhere*?

Ambitions clash when the village launches an allotment project and no one escapes the bitter struggle over sex, power and money which threatens to blight more than everyone's carrots.

Filthy Rich Details

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Mom says

Great British farce set in small village full of characters including a few London imports such as the Paris Hiltonish footballer's girlfriend looking for a really big house, transplanted American couple, a 60s hippy contingent, the local school marm, swarthy vicar, poor and shabby Lord of the Manor, widowed lawyer and orphan waif.

Anna Louise says

It wasn't awful but if I could have the time back I wouldn't invest it into this book. The multiple storylines aren't well written, and the drama added in didn't fit with the rest of the story and seemed like a bad filler.

Hannah Walker says

Why I Read This Book?My Mum gave me a physical copy of this book years ago and I just never got around to reading it. Then, I went to the library and got set up to use audiobooks. My commute to work isn't too long so I've listened to this book when I've been out with the dogs, cleaning, waiting at appointments. Whenever I've had a spare moment I have been submerged in this story!The Blurb?Shire Bliss? When romantic Mary meets Monty, handsome heir to a stately pile, happiness seems assured. But as the mansion crumbles, passion wanes. Banker's wife Beth swaps Notting Hill for weekends at a bijoux cottage, They only offered a smidgeon over the asking price. So why don't the locals like them?Eco-hag Morag is the terror of the village. She hates incomers, four-wheel drives, slug pellets and anyone between her and absolute power. Uber-WAG Alexandra needs a footballer's mansion - fast. There must be a Hello!-tastic place with pool, gym, champagne bar and helipad somewhere? When these four face each other in a struggle over sex, power and money - not to mention allotments - village life is never the same again.My Thoughts?I thoroughly enjoyed this book! It was an easy book to feel involved in and the characters were all relatively relate-able.

JackieB says

This was a light enjoyable read. It was mainly a comedy but there were some more serious themes which weren't dwelt on but they gave it some depth and made it a more satisfying read than if it was just written to amuse. Parts of the plot were predictable but not much; on the whole there were a lot more surprises in the plot than predictable parts. I might re-read this if I need cheering up (I have to really like a book before I'd even think about re-reading it - too many new books out there to do a lot of re-reading).

Tanya D says

The book was pretty horrible, actually. I was reading it as quickly as possible to simply get through it and move on. The premise was interesting enough- A bunch of uber rich people, living in a rural community, and how they interact with each other. But there was no character development, no plot development, and everything seemed very contrived and fake. I love the idea, it had the makings of a great novel, but the execution was severely lacking.

Kelly Finn says

Brilliant and light hearted read. It's the first Wendy Holden book I've read, I'll be sure to source some more!

Jade says

An average read for this type of rom com book, which took a while to get going and then (probably because of the 1 million pages already filled with getting there) a rushed ending. Some of the story lines were also very unpleasant to me - for instance the couple that are very much in love, he has an affair, she decides never to forgive him, but then realises that she's pregnant so all's okay and they get back together!?!?!?

Brunelle says

This book was a huge disappointment. At first I was intrigued by the cover, the summary and the title. I thought it would've been like Confessions of a Shopaholic. But, it totally wasn't. You expect the characters to be rich and glamorous based on the title but they're not, well very few are. And, they live in a crappy village in England. But I'm guessing the title has to do with the fact that they found gold in one of the allotments because FILTHY rich may refer to the ground. Also, I thought that there were way too many narrators. The majority of the characters were narrators at one point and that made it really confusing and hard for me to understand the story. In the end I kind of just rushed my way through the book because I wanted to finish it as fast as possible. I didn't like it at all, especially the ending.

Jayne Charles says

I have always avoided Wendy Holden's books, believing they were the literary equivalent of a cream puff, whereas I would prefer something a bit more filling, and maybe with a bitter aftertaste.....but I was lent this one by someone who recommended it, so I read it. I was pleasantly surprised - I was gripped right to the end, there were some genuine laugh-out-loud moments, and even though it was predictable in places not quite everything worked out as expected (thinking of the full-moon incident halfway through.....). It would have been a five star but for the over-wordiness of some of the passages, where a sharper satirist would have made their point using half as many keystrokes, not to mention some of the crude grammar. But presumably the editor wanted a nice fat book so it stayed in! Overall, a good read.

Bev Taylor says

prepare to rock thru the shires

four women face each other in a village for struggle over sex, power and money

mary who marries monty who owns a stately pile which is falling around his ears and no money to spend on it

beth married to an american banker who decides a weekend cottage is the ideal place to meet dukes and duchess

morag - an eco conscious female warrior who is the scourge of the village

alexandra a wannabe celebrity with a footballer boyfriend who needs a pile in the countryside after he is transferred

add to this a primary headmistress, a trouble boy who is fostered, a solicitor more characters that u can shake a finger at and u just wish u could live in the village with them

note - pls pay attention to some of the names and see how they relate

bev

Best Crime Books & More says

I've read nearly all of Wendy Holdens books and this one was as good as the last. The characters she creates are hilarious (especially the eco-goddess Morag). It's set in Allsop and describes the lives of Morag, Catherine (the local Headteacher, Phillip (the local solicitor) who tragically lost his wife, Alexandra the footballers girlfriend and Mary and Monty who live in a crumbling Manor House. It's an eclectic mix that works well and I thoroughly enjoyed it.

Celia says

Well, what can you expect from a book called "Filthy Rich", one that's covered in reviews from Cleo and Cosmopolitan screaming about how astoundingly witty it is? Not very much. Not a book that's astoundingly witty, at any rate.

A group of cardboard caricatures, centered around a small English village, fight about some allotments, and have no significant things happen to them whatsoever. I finished it - it wasn't mind numbingly dull - but there wasn't anything worth remembering about it either.

Sagbodje Precious says

I had such fun reading this! I usually read thrillers and this book was supposed to just help pass the time but I found myself loving it more and more. I occasionally roared with laughter too.... looking forward to reading more!

Varrunamitra says

allotments

Redfox5 says

love it when after reading a couple of serious books you come back to a chick lit. It's great because I usually forget just how much I love them and this one was no exception. Kept me hooked till the last page. And even tho chick lit books all seem to follow the same plot, this does not spoil my enjoyment of them. Loved it!
