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## **The Other Woman Details**

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### Michelle says

Well I finished it, but it was one of those books where you finish it hoping something might happen, or it might start getting better. This one didn't. I didn't really like any of the characters. Any sympathy I had for the main female character (spoiler alert) was gone when she had an affair with her husband's lover's husband. And there was far to much explicit sex in this book - which was kind of creepy because it was written by a man, but in the voice of a female character. Just unnecessary really.

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### Danielle says

I'd heard amazing things about the work of EJD, so I popped on here to find a book of his to start with. The Other Woman got such high reviews, so I picked it up from the library.

I started it late at night and didn't think much of it, picked it up on my lunch break the next day and couldn't put it down. Here I am 24 hours later, finishing it over the next day's lunch.

This book is so raw, both emotionally and sensually. Passionate and erotic in ways I haven't read before, sometimes you read an erotic scene and you feel embarrassed. Not this time. While the emotions and actions of the characters was raw to extent, they seemed so real.

I hope the heroine finds happiness (we never learn her real name, just a nickname 'Freckles'). Maybe EJD will re-vist her in another book. This book is unforgettable.

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### Lennie says

Freckles and Charles exist in a difficult marriage in which one works days and the other one works nights. While both enjoy their own successful careers, they don't spend a lot of time together and eventually they drift apart. When Freckles finds out that Charles is having an affair, she seeks revenge and starts her own affair with the mistress' husband. Although this book is a work of fiction, I feel the author has a talent for writing stories that deal with real-life situations. It seems like nowadays, couples have the stress of trying to juggle work and marriage and you have to wonder at what cost can you have it all? I thought this book was interesting to read and it held my attention all the way through.

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### Just says

This was a heart wrenching tale of love, lust, and betrayal. Dickey weaves this story from beginning to end in first person. An intimate position from the wife's perspective allows the reader to share a POV that is slightly more appealing, different, and invigorating. All events happening in less than 72 hours and you walk in on a world full of secrets. Two marriages become the epicenter of a catastrophic world. The characters in this novel are flushed out into a fluent existence. Their characteristics are believable and you may find

yourself identifying with each aspect of their foundation. All in all, you feel deeply for all these star crossed lovers trapped in a love triangle or square rather. At the core of the novel, the reader feels a deep sense of sadness for all parties towards the end. Just when you think Eric is done, he hits you with a draw dropping finale that leaves you floored. Disheartened, shocked, and sad at least I felt this way. The ending was one word: bittersweet but this novel was suspenseful. I read it in all of 3 days. Eric makes you a believer all the time and I believe that he is truly a master of his craft! Phenomenal read!

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### **Winter Sophia Rose says**

Intense, Sizzling, Emotional, Realistic & Gripping! An Awesome Read! I Loved It!

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### **Crystal Belle says**

so i took a break from what i was reading to read this. trashy fiction with a cliche story line about two married people who have an affair. it was a bit too simplistic and trashy for me, but i did have fun reading. some symbolism at points that made you think, however, it was coupled with trash and very mediocre writing. now i know why i only read his books when i was a teenager.

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### **J says**

(FROM JACKET)In his newest novel, Eric Jerome Dickey strides boldly over the minefield that is modern marriage. The central couple's biggest challenge is timing: He works days; she works nights. Instead of growing together, they're rapidly drifting apart, coexisting on stolen phone calls from work, punctuated by occasional bedroom encounters that leave them both feeling even emptier and more alone. When she finds out about his affair-and starts her own-the delicate fabric of their marriage is torn irrevocably asunder. Or is it? In Dickey's expert hands, what begins as a seemingly unforgivable betrayal segues into the sexy and searing story of a man and woman at a pivotal turning point in their relationship. Only time will tell whether they'll let it all go...or whether they can hold on to the love that drew them together in the first place.

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### **Diane says**

Fabulous read! descriptive,eloquent,edgy,distinctive,great characters and good writing (paperback!)

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### **Dorel says**

I like Eric Jerome Dickey books. I thought from the description it sounded really good, so I decided to read it. The storyline was slow & boring. The characters was okay. The story could have had more drama. The ending was shocking & surprising to me. I thought the ending was the best part of the story.

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### **Andrea says**

I read this book about 10 years ago was more impressed with it back then than I was this time around. A LOT of sexual descriptions, but written from a typically male point of view (generally speaking). Though I could relate to a number of characters, I don't fell they were all developed as well as I would have preferred. Also, the ending was kind of too open ended.

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### **Ms Goss says**

EJD is the king when it comes down to this book. He wrote the entire thing from the wife's perspective. Realize how difficult that is for anyone to write from the point of view of the opposite sex, when half the time we don't understand how they can do the things they do, but he did it, and did it well. This book talks about the after effects of one little mistake and how it can all get out of hand. This book should be given to anyone that is thinking about cheating on their spouse, and it might just change their minds. I loved it.

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### **Billi Martin says**

Very good read. If there's a husband/wife on this earth who can not or do not understand what a man/woman goes though when infidelities are concerned, they need to read THIS book. I forgot this book was even written by a man, it was THAT thorough of the pain a woman feels towards her husband, the other woman and herself. The book was about cheating spouses, neglected marriages and poor communication, but it was mostly about honesty.

Charles is a coward who deserved that bullet. Even when he was caught, he was disregarding his wife's plea for his honesty and he STILL chose not to tell her. She had to go find it herself. He couldn't save the situation from getting even worst if he had just told her before she got a hold of the IMs between him and Jessica. I blame everything on him. I blame every other person's action and reaction on him. I even blame David's death on him.

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### **Jackie says**

Freckles and Charles are a young, married African American couple living in Los Angeles. Charles is a middle school teacher who cares about his students and takes his responsibility as role model seriously. His wife, whose given name is not disclosed, has a high-powered, stressful job as a television producer. He uses the excuse of the stress and the long hours of her job as a justification for his infidelity and begins an affair with a married fellow teacher, Jessica Lawrence. Freckles has no clue until Jessica's husband, David, contacts her with details about the affair. Bitterness, jealousy and hatred consume Freckles. Events spiral out of control and the inability to let emotions heal comes to a tragic ending for all four people involved in this story of marital strife. Not one of these talented, intelligent people can get past the pain that accompanies a

misguided act. Their lives are destroyed, as is the lives of the friends and family, who have come to love and support them. A highly charged book of an emotional tug-of-war, that is full of graphic sexual encounters and heartbreaking violence, it is not a book for the faint of heart, yet it realistically portrays the consequences of decisions that affect more than the willing participants. While the chance for romance and a life-long commitment between two people was possible, it has been undermined by a rash and seemingly unforgivable decision. Emotions run the gamut for all four principal players.

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### **Delaney Diamond says**

Haven't read an EDJ book in a while. This one reminded me of how good he is! It started kinda slow, but as the story unfolded, the crazy came out. So did all the emotions and pain of the characters as they dealt with adultery. I felt so bad for the heroine. The story was twisted, realistic, and quite the roller coaster.

The romantic in me wanted an HEA, but I had to accept this was not a romance. It was, however, about love - loving yourself. Something the heroine learned to do after the drama in her life ended.

I feel drained, but absolutely loved it!

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### **Shawnette says**

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The books description states, "She works nights. He works days. Their sex is routine. Conversations are empty. Something's got to give. It does, when she discovers her husband's affair. But an unforgivable betrayal is about to yield unexpected results, as a husband and wife face a challenge of trust, faith, and the staying power of love..."~~~~~This book breaks all the rules of the norm. Eric Jerome Dickey has definitely managed to WOW me. I could not put this book down after reading the first sentence. The book took me on an emotional roller coaster ride; I went from LOL, to being teary eyed, to gasping for air screaming OMIGOSH! I found myself reading it everywhere that I could sit or stand. He made the relationships come to life. He made the affairs so real that I could feel the emotion in every exchange. Definetly a MUST READ!

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