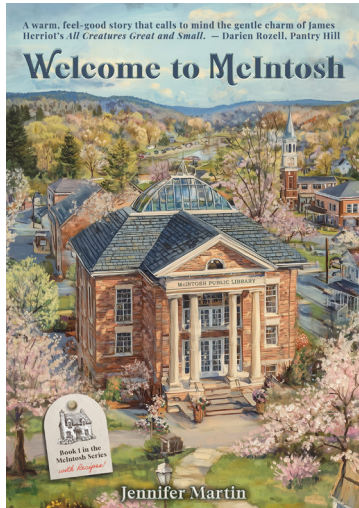




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by Jennifer Martin

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#1 New Release in Amazon Feel-Good Fiction

Top 20 on Amazon Feel-Good Fiction Bestseller List

praise for the book

"A warm, feel-good story that calls to mind the gentle charm of James Herriot's *All Creatures Great and Small*." — Darien Rozell, Pantry Hill

"A delightful small-town story that feels like coming home. Like a delicious plate of freshly-baked scones, *Welcome to McIntosh* keeps you coming back for more." — Rachel Dodge, author of *The Anne of Green Gables Devotional* and *Praying with Jane: 31 Days Through the Prayers of Jane Austen*.

"Welcome to McIntosh—Where cotton aprons, chickens with personality and a group of women called the Knotty Knitters will keep you smiling and chuckling, chapter to chapter. Local characters thread their way through a myriad of village challenges, all the while sharing recipes, stirring bubbling pots, and sipping cups of fragrant tea. Enjoy!" — April Cornell, Designer

"Zesty, fun and incredibly bookish! There's so much to love about Jennifer Martin's debut novel. Although I wouldn't call it cozy (for me), I would say that it's a heartwarming southern story with non-stop small town action.

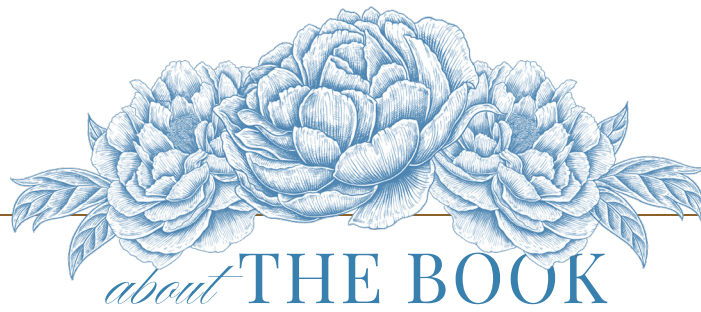
Here's what I loved most:

- Quaint Southern charm
- Likable and unique characters
- Amusing with non-stop chuckles
- Any and all library/cafe details
- Lively and fun conversations that I could actually hear in my head
- Deep and touching relationships between friends and family
- Wonderful and cozy descriptions of the fall festival at the farm and the Jubilee
- Exquisite descriptions of the Apron & Ink Exhibit with aprons, books, quotes, recipes and kitchenware

Along with the clever chapter titles, alluring alliteration and darling little drawings at beginning and end of chapters, *Welcome to McIntosh* stole my heart!

If you like a southern spoonful of Fannie Flagg, a dash of drama from Marcia Willett, the energetic and endearing energy of Debbie Macomber, and a nostalgic nod with a caring community of the Jennifer Ryan novels, you will LOVE this tantalizing tome!

It's so exciting that this satisfying story will continue with more books in the series. Bravo to Jennifer Martin!" — Gina House, Reviewer



Welcome to McIntosh

A novel by Jennifer Martin

Welcome to McIntosh, a charming small town where the scent of lemon bars mingles with community spirit, and every corner holds a story waiting to bloom. When Jane O'Riley returns home to become the youngest head librarian in town history, she dreams of transforming the McIntosh Library into a vibrant hub of stories, coffee, and connection. But whispers of redevelopment threaten to erase its legacy forever.

With the help of her spirited grandmother Peg, the newly formed Apron & Ink Society, and a cast of quirky, determined townsfolk, Jane rallies to save the library at the heart of it all. From bake-offs and parades to glittering cabaret nights, McIntosh comes alive in a celebration of memory, resilience, and the quiet courage of community.

Caught between two swoon-worthy suitors—Will, her high school love with a heart full of history, and Charles, the newcomer whose steady presence feels like a promise—Jane must navigate the tangled threads of love, legacy, and belonging. Heartwarming, humorous, and brimming with small-town charm, *Welcome to McIntosh* is the first novel in the McIntosh Series—a cozy celebration of second chances, kindred spirits, and the stories that root us.

Includes original recipes inspired by the story.

THEMES:

- Community & Connection
- Resilience & Renewal
- Love & Second Chances
- Legacy & Belonging
- The Power of Story
- Creativity & Calling
- Hope & Faith

COMPARABLE TITLES:

- *At Home in Mitford* by Jan Karon
- *Thrush Green* by Miss Read
- *The Readers of Broken Wheel Recommend* by Katarina Bivald
- *The Cherry Cola Book Club* by Ashton Lee
- *The Bookshop on the Corner* by Jenny Colgan
- *The Ladies of Covington Send Their Love* by Joan Medlicott
- *The Garden of Small Beginnings* by Abbi Waxman
- *Evvie Drake Starts Over* by Linda Holmes





MEET THE *author*



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Jennifer Carroll Martin is the bestselling author of the debut novel, *Welcome to McIntosh*, a charming novel celebrating the warmth of small-town life, friendship, and community. The book debuted as a #1 New Release in Amazon's Feel-Good Fiction category and quickly reached the Top 20 of the platform's Feel-Good Fiction bestseller list.

Jennifer is also the author of *Harry Potter: Feasts & Festivities*. Her work has been featured in publications including *Southern Living*, *Country Living*, *Victoria*, *Real Simple*, *Brides*, and *Martha Stewart Weddings*.

Before turning her focus to fiction, Jennifer built a career in creative storytelling through entertaining, design, and lifestyle content. Her writing often explores themes of home, belonging, and the quiet magic of everyday life.

Between the pages of a book and the steam of a cup, anything feels possible.

— Jennifer Martin

Jennifer lives in Virginia with her husband and family, where she writes stories inspired by the charm of small towns and the communities that bring them to life.

She hopes readers will feel the same sense of comfort, hope, and belonging in McIntosh that she felt while writing it.

INTERVIEW TOPICS

- Why Readers Love Small-Town Fiction
- From Entertaining Expert to Fiction Author
- The Real-Life Inspiration Behind *Welcome to McIntosh*
- Creating a Town Readers Wish They Could Live In
- Writing Stories About Hope, Friendship, and Belonging



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