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Editorial Review

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"Marriage of convenience stories are my favorite and *To Win Her Favor* by Tamera Alexander is no exception. The challenges and dynamics of the unlikely relationship between a southern lady and handsome Irishman sizzle with tension and passion. The plot is as powerful as the magnificent thoroughbreds the heroine rides. A moving story of overcoming post-Civil War obstacles and racial discrimination, readers won't be able to put down the book until the last page."

~ **Jody Hedlund, bestselling author of *Love Unexpected***

"Tamera Alexander delivers a beautifully-realized novel of love, faith, and redemption. Brimming with rich historical detail and populated with compelling characters both real and imagined, TO WIN HER FAVOR is certain to find favor with Ms. Alexander's fans and to win her many new ones."

~ **Dorothy Love, author of *The Bracelet and Carolina Gold***

"Tamera Alexander is one of my favorite authors, so I expect a lot from her novels. *To Win Her Favor* is captivating beyond expectation! This novel has everything readers are looking for--rich characterization, page-turning intrigue, a heartwarming romance charged with tension, and more!"

~ **Cindy Woodsmall, NYT bestselling author**

"I have rarely read a more wonderful book than *To Win Her Favor* by Tamera Alexander. Rich with historical detail and fully developed characters, this novel held me spellbound until the last page. If you read one historical novel this year, make it *To Win Her Favor*. It will linger with you long after the last page."

~ **Colleen Coble, USA Today bestselling author of the *Hope Beach* series**

"Tamera Alexander has done it again! *To Win Her Favor* is peopled with fascinating, richly-drawn characters that drew me into their very hearts and souls. Maggie and Cullen's story captures the drama and tragedy of the post-Civil War era, but more importantly, it captures the humanity of those who triumphed after a dark time in our nation's history to rebuild lives marked by joy and anchored by faith."

~ **Deborah Raney, author of *The Face of the Earth* and *The Chicory Inn* Novels series**

"This wonderful story of God's love and faithfulness is set against the beauty of the Tennessee hills. Fans of Cathy Marie Hake and Deeanne Gist will enjoy this book." (*CBA Retailers • Resources Magazine*)

"No insta-love here! Readers get to experience the growing attraction between the headstrong and determined Maggie and the swoon-worthy Cullen. The deeply drawn characters move the story along at a steady pace – even Bucket, the dog, and Bourbon Belle, the mare, will win readers over." – 4 star review (*RT Book Reviews*)

"Alexander (*To Whisper Her Name*) continues her ode to the magnificent Belle Meade Plantation, using it to illustrate questions of race, faith, and loyalty that continue to haunt today. Richly drawn secondary characters add depth, humor, and a sobering perspective on how Reconstruction affected racial relations, social status,

and economic fortunes. Fans will appreciate, and applaud the smooth merging of social commentary and a sweet love story.” (*Publishers Weekly*)

“Strong characters, a sense of the times, and the themes of love, friendship, and the importance of loyalty and determination make this a triumph.” – starred review (*Library Journal*)

“The quiet undertones of seeking redemption while keeping the faith should easily satisfy Tamera Alexander’s growing fan base.” (*Historical Novel Society*)

From the Author

Go on location with Tamera Alexander to Belle Meade Plantation in Nashville, Tennessee, the backdrop for the history of this story. She's waiting for you there, mint julep in hand. TameraAlexander.com

From the Inside Flap

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