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With a father bankrupted by gambling, Jemima is determined to build a new, horse-free life in the Berkshire village of Milton St John; however, she soon discovers that not only do her new neighbours live, breathe and dream racing, but also that they are all determined to make her do the same.

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Charlotte says

I'm not massively into chick-lit's but this one was pretty awesome. Adorable, quick read with charming characters and an original plot.

Rhode says

Jilly Cooper knock off ... But good hearted . A nice read for a lazy rainy day.

Tasneem says

I adore Jones' normally but I didn't warm to this book at all. Possibly because although I love horses, the people in this book seemed unappealing. I didn't like the gambling addicted father at all and I didn't want to know about her because she came across as narrow minded and bigoted.

Sorcha says

Finally got around to reading this one and it wasn't too bad! I don't know if you would class this as "chick-lit" (a genre I usually avoid with a barge pole), but enjoyable brain-fluff none the less.[return][return]Jemima Carlisle leaves Oxford in a rush due to losing both her jobs in one day. She settles in Milton St John, where she had been planning to set up a bookshop anyway, and in the middle of the horsey set. She has an aversion to the whole horse racing people, due to her father being a terrible gambler, and so she has some preconceptions (many drawn with a great big brush to be honest), which are slowly turned around, mainly due to some very sexy (and some rather kinky!) people

Vivie Scragg says

great so funny

Francesca says

The best in the Milton st John trilogy.

Rory says

This was a good book and I liked the heroine. The romance side was stupid of course, but then it normally is in this sort of book.

What I really hate about this author is how she makes a joke and then repeats it many times. She does it in all her books.

But all in all I have read this more than once and it was a good story.

Kirsty says

More about Milton St John and more characters to love!

CLM says

I love books about people who own bookstores!

Clare F says

I really enjoyed this book which was slightly reminiscent of Dick Francis with the horse element. I love Christina Jones books and although the story was good I wouldn't allocate any stars to the horrendous cover.

Dark-Draco says

A book I enjoyed reading, but don't think will remember for long afterwards. Don't get me wrong, I like this author and her stories, but there wasn't anything hugely outstanding to make it stand out amongst the hundreds of books I've read or am going to read.

Jemima hates horse racing and gambling, yet still chooses to open a book shop in a horse mad town, where nearly everyone is employed in the many training yards. She soon finds out that even a quiet seeming village can hide some rather interesting secrets, one of which seems to be that racing isn't as bad as she thought.

This is extremely funny in places - the candle light vigil against pornography was a scene that had me snorting with laughter. There were a few twists and turns, but nothing that you couldn't spot from a mile away ... and a couple were just so funny that when the characters finally cottoned on, you couldn't help but join in the delight!

I also have a love/hate relationship with the horse racing world, so for most of the time completely understood how Jemima felt. The plot line involving Ned and Vincent definitely showed the seedier side of it all, and I liked how that was rounded up.

In summary, this wasn't my favourite Jones novel, but it was enjoyable and I'm glad I picked it up.
