

THE WOMEN OF TEN BEACH ROAD AND OCEAN BEACH RETURN IN WHILE WE WERE WATCHING DOWNTON ABBEY AUTHOR WENDY WAX'S FIRST E-NOVELLA, *CHRISTMAS AT THE BEACH*, ON SALE OCTOBER 15TH

"Wax's Florida titles . . . are terrific for lovers of women's fiction and family drama, especially if you enjoy a touch of suspense and romance. *Christmas at the Beach* is a perfect way to jump into the series."

—*Library Journal Express*

Praise for TEN BEACH ROAD . . .

"If you loved Jennifer Weiner's *Fly Away Home* . . . then try *Ten Beach Road* . . . [a] warm, wry novel." —**Collette Bancroft, *St. Petersburg Times***

"[This] dynamic, fast-paced story is a loving tribute to friendship and the power of the female spirit." —***Las Vegas Review-Journal***

"Friendship between women is celebrated and will make you cheer in this uplifting book." —**Parkersburg (WV) News and Sentinel**

"Intriguing . . . I found her insight into human nature to resonate."—**Rundpinne**

"Vivid... You can almost smell the salty air . . . the challenges and determination of these women is undeniable . . . [each] made for a very compelling heroine." —**LuxuryReading**

. . . and OCEAN BEACH

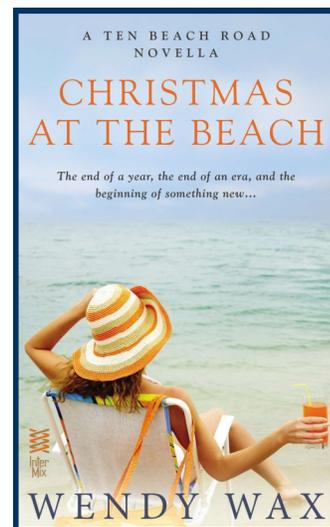
"A well-rounded supporting cast and just the right amount of suspense and drama."—**Publishers Weekly**

"Have I got a book for your pool or beach trips this summer . . . each character was so finely drawn and detailed that I felt as though I knew them personally by the end of the book. *Ocean Beach* is human nature at its best . . . worst . . . and everything in between."—**The Novel Life**

"Wax does a wonderful job . . . the plot raises both questions and deep emotions to keep readers racing to the end to find out what happens to them all."—**RT Book Reviews**

"Where shall I begin? This is a wonderful "ensemble" grouping of characters . . . It's a terrific book... beautifully written . . . one fantastic read, and I hope you'll take the time to enjoy it as I did."—**The Book Binge**

"Fascinating DIY details and a delightful supporting cast (the Oscar goes to Max) as the women hammer out their problems and shore up their friendship."—**Nancy Pate, *On A Clear Day I Can Read Forever***



Readers embraced the characters of Wendy Wax's highly praised **Ten Beach Road**, which **USA Today** cited as "one of six books that belong in your beach bag." In 2012 they hailed their return in **Ocean Beach**. Now, with ***Christmas at the Beach***, Wax's first e-original and her first novella, she brings back the women of Bella Flora in an all-new holiday novella.

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When Madeline Singer, Avery Lawford and Nicole Grant were deeded ownership of a crumbling historic home on Pass-a-Grille Beach, all they dared hope was that renovating and selling it would let them rebuild their lives and the bank accounts drained by a Ponzi scheme. Together, they returned the house, Bella Flora, to its earlier glory. Along the way, they forged friendships, discovered unexpected truths about themselves and each other, and gave birth to a DIY reality television show, *Do Over*.

Though ***Christmas at the Beach*** brings readers up-to-date on these well-loved characters and sets the stage for Wax's next novel, **The House on Mermaid Point**, its focus is 24-hours at Bella Flora, where friends and family are gathered for their first and last Christmas at the recently sold property. There's plenty to celebrate. In addition to being back together, *Do Over* is going into a second season, family rifts are healing, and it's Dustin's first Christmas.

Dustin is the child of Madeline's daughter Kyra and of married—not to her—superstar actor Daniel Deranian. Kyra's hope that the visit will include respite from the paparazzi that hound them is quickly dashed, but Bella Flora nonetheless provides a haven. It's going to be a wonderful holiday. Or it would be if a string of bad news hadn't begun trickling in. And if they hadn't learned that their beloved Bella Flora's buyer is the absolutely last person who should ever own her.

In ***Christmas at the Beach*** Wax once again reaches out to readers with her trademark sense of humor, insights into relationships and the celebration of friendship they anticipate with each new book.

About Wendy Wax

Award-winning author Wendy Wax's work, including **While We Were Watching Downton Abbey**, **Ocean Beach** and **Ten Beach Road**, has been highly praised. The Atlanta Journal-Constitution says she “writes with breezy wit and keen insight into family relations.” Her novels have been featured in national publications such as **USA Today** and **Woman's World**, and online at sites such as *On A Clear Day You Can Read Forever*, *Luxury Reading*, and *Book Reporter*.

The author of nine novels and a novella, Wendy's work has been sold to publishers in fifteen countries, including the U.K. where **While We Were Watching Downton Abbey** was recently released. Her novel, **Hostile Makeover**, was excerpted in Cosmopolitan magazine.

She is now at work on her next book, **The House on Mermaid Point**. On sale in July 2014, it reintroduces characters from **Ten Beach Road** (Pass-a-Grille) and **Ocean Beach** (South Beach), and sets them loose in the Florida Keys.

A native of St. Pete Beach, Florida, Wendy and her family have lived in Atlanta for sixteen years.

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