WENDY WAX BRINGS "BREEZY WIT AND KEEN INSIGHT"* TO HER TIMELY TALE OF THREE WOMEN, BANKRUPTED BY A PONZI SCHEME, GAMBLING ALL THAT'S LEFT IN A BID TO RESTORE AND SELL AN HISTORIC RUIN

<u>Wax's Hometown is Front and Center in her Story of Friendship, Adversity</u> and Self-Discovery on Florida's Gulf Coast, On Sale May 3rd

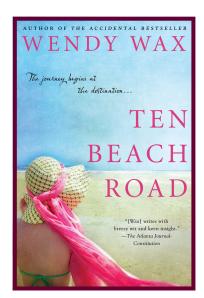
Praise for Magnolia Wednesdays—

"Bittersweet...Vivien's an easy protagonist to love; she's plucky, resourceful, and witty—the perfect outsider's guide to the SUV and bake sale zoo."

—Publishers Weekly

"Wax...writes with breezy wit and a keen insight into family relations."

—The Atlanta Journal-Constitution



"<u>Magnolia Wednesdays</u> is a winner—brilliant with acerbic, biting wit. Sweet and satisfying. I loved this book."—**Night Owl Reviews**

"I loved every word of this novel... [Wax] scores again." —The Pilot (Southern Pines, NC)

"Wendy Wax spins yet another captivating tale of life and love in this wonderfully entertaining book." —**Southern Seasons**

"A memorable cast of characters...well-crafted...a fantastic read that you won't be able to put down and most certainly will not want to end."—Examiner.com

Praise for The Accidental Bestseller-

"Enormously entertaining...unpredictable... a well-executed, surprising and satisfying resolution."—Book Reporter

"Smart and funny women's fiction...."—Fresh Fiction

"It's funny and wry and tearful... it deserves to be a best seller."

—Bette-Lee Fox, In the Bookroom, libraryjournal.com

Magnolia Wednesdays and The Accidental Bestseller author Wendy Wax returns with a story of women, friendship and adversity in TEN BEACH ROAD. Wendy has set this new novel at two of her favorite spots in the world—St. Pete Beach, the city in which she was raised, and its famous Pass-a-Grille beach. That's where she brings three women, strangers brought together by fate, and challenges them with choices that will change

their lives.



Madeline Singer, Avery Lawford and Nicole Grant are very different from one another. Madeline is a homemaker coping with an empty nest and an unemployed husband. Avery is an architect. At least she was until she ended up as the sidekick on her ex-husband's television program—the one she created, sold and co-hosted. Nicole, dating guru, matchmaker extraordinaire and founder of Heart, Inc., is living in the shadow of her biggest mistake—trusting her only brother. All are at the end of their financial ropes, the victim's of a Bernie Madoff-style Ponzi scheme. All they have left is shared ownership of the once-glorious Bella Flora mansion, now a beachfront ruin.

Madeline, Avery and Nikki have to make a choice—cut their losses and sell the historic property for whatever amount of money they can get, or trade sweat equity for the backing of a local contractor in order to restore it and their bank accounts. The women choose to save Bella Flora. There amidst the rubble and former glory, in the midst of a sweltering summer and the backbreaking tasks of renovation, they begin to redefine themselves, and to discover their own strength and the power of friendship. Then, as Bella Flora again stands magnificent and proud, secrets begin to pull them apart and fate steps in once more, ready to destroy everything they've built.

Once again, Wendy Wax has imbued the lives and dialogue of her protagonists with energy and insights that immerse readers in their story from the very start. WENDY WAX

ABOUT WENDY WAX

The Accidental

Bestseller

A St. Pete Beach native and longtime Atlantan, Wendy is perhaps best known to readers for her exploration of women's friendships and the emotional bonds tying people to their families, friends and work. Her writing has been called "entertaining and informative" (St. Petersburg Times) and "incredibly enjoyable" (Café of Dreams). Library Journal praised The Accidental Bestseller as a "warm, triumphant tale of female friendship and the lessons learned when life doesn't turn out as planned." Magnolia Wednesdays, just released as a

> mass market paperback reprint, has been cited as "another captivating tale of life and love" by Southern Seasons magazine.

TEN BEACH ROAD is the first of Wendy's novels to use her hometown as her primary setting. Happily, it gives her an excuse to indulge in researching the Mediterranean architecture she's long admired, to explore more of the history of the area, and to share her pleasure in the magnificent Gulf sunsets and the amazing Pass-a-Grille beach.

MAGNOLIA WEDNESDAYS

Wendy has always been a voracious reader and, growing up, was a regular at her local library. She became fast friends with Nancy Drew and Anne of Green Gables. Her love affairs with language and storytelling paid off beginning with her first shift at the campus radio station while studying journalism at the University of Georgia.

She returned to her home state, graduated from the University of South Florida and then worked for the Tampa PBS affiliate, WEDU-TV. She was best-known in the Tampa Bay area as the host of Desperate & Dateless, a radio matchmaking program that aired on WDAE radio, and nationally as host of The Home Front, which aired on PBS television affiliates across the country.

The mother of a toddler and an infant when she decided to change careers to write professionally, Wendy has since written seven novels, including TEN BEACH ROAD, Magnolia Wednesdays, The Accidental Bestseller and Single in Suburbia. Her work has been sold to publishers in ten countries and to the Rhapsody Book Club. Her novel, Hostile Makeover, was excerpted in Cosmopolitan magazine.

*The Atlanta Journal-Constitution on MAGNOLIA WEDNESDAYS

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