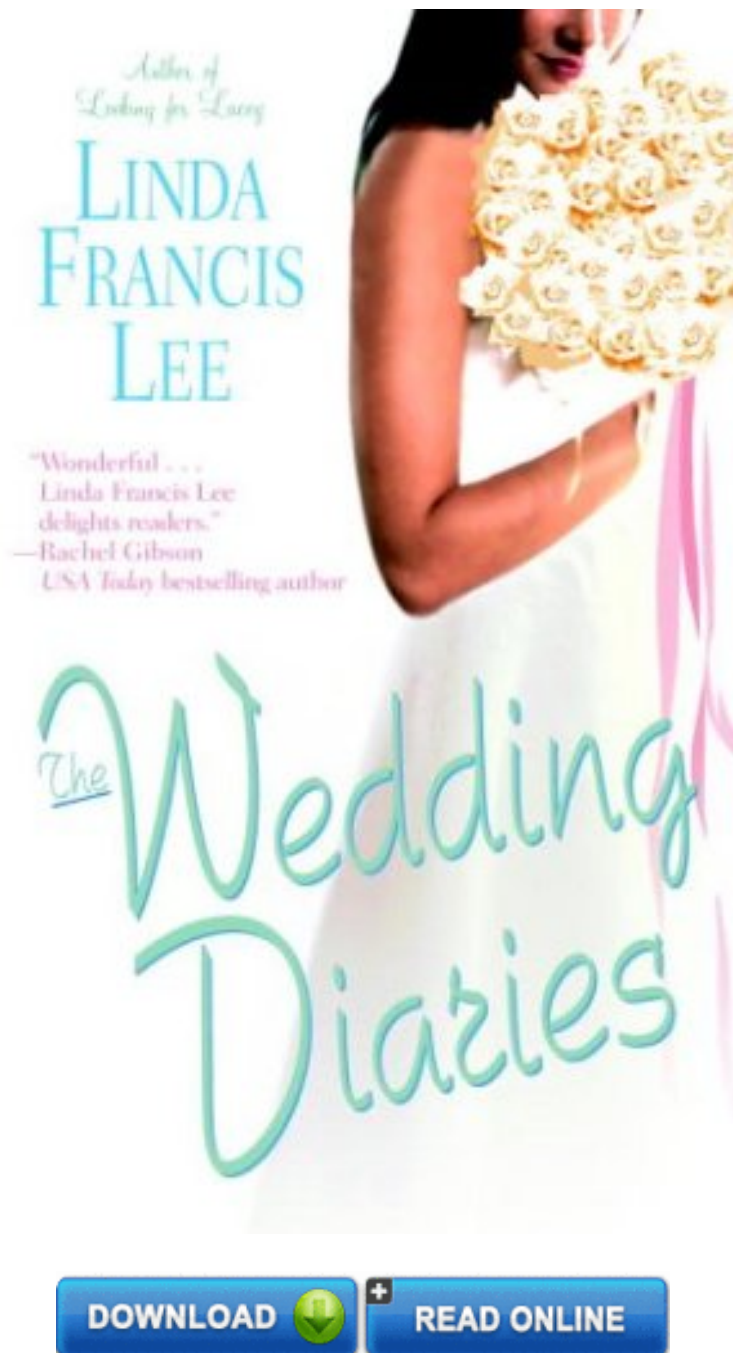


## The Wedding Diaries

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Astonishing! Von Detra Fitch Texas heiress Vivienne Stansfield had always dreamed of being a Christmas Bride and had looked to be coming true. Then her life made a turn for the worst. Her "safe and reliable fianc" turned out to be neither. Then her wealthy, eccentric father disappeared with all the family's money and jewels (including everything in her own checking account)! Vivienne was left all alone with no money, no credit, no explanation, and no choice but to find a job. To prove she was not the pampered princess the tabloids called her, she decided to accept the position of nanny for sexy real estate mogul Max Landry's two young sisters (even if Max had not REALLY offered the job to her). Max needed a nanny that could handle his two youngest sisters, Nicki and Lila. He just had trouble believing that Vivi was up to the challenge. Pre-teen Lila would be no trouble, but Nicki was infatuated with a dangerous senior in school and was defiant to Max's wishes. Once Vivi arrived though, he learned that there was more to delectable Vivi than he could ever have imagined. And when she asked Max to teach her about passion, Max knew his heart was in trouble!\*\*\*\*\* Now this is my type of book! A heroine who had money and did not let it corrupt her. She constantly helped others in need and was tenacious to the max (pardon the pun). A hero who did not realize how desperate he needed the heroine, until he almost lost her. This combination mixes to bring a sexy, fun, and unforgettable read for the lucky people who find this book! Linda Francis Lee writes pure bliss! \*\*\*\*\*Reviewed by Detra Fitch0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Fabulous read! Von \_yay\_ @ Book that Thing Since I can't seem to fall asleep at 4:15 am, I might as well write a review. Vivienne Stansfield's parents are divorced, but that hasn't kept her from dreaming about her very own fairytale wedding since age ten. Present day: Vivi is one of the most talked about rich girls in town, and with charming Grady Pence as her fianc, she's living the life she's always wanted. Always smiling, always well put together. Vivi is determined to keep everyone happy by being the perfect daughter, the perfect future wife, the perfect everything. What's the worst thing that could ruin her plans besides unintentionally drooling over self-made real estate mogul Maxwell Landry? This sudden attraction is killing her. Of course! Her credit card getting rejected would be just horrible. Unfortunately, that's exactly what happens. The final blow is the realization that she and Grady aren't meant to be together after all. The Wedding is off, her father has suddenly left town, and all her money is gone. What's a pampered girl like Vivienne to do? Why, getting a job would be a good idea. Even more though, because Max Landry needs someone to take care of his two sisters. Vivienne must prove that there's more to her than most people think. However, falling for a certain sexy devil isn't on her to-do list. Vivienne tried hard to free herself from the habit of making lists for everything, but surprisingly, it turned out to be not such a bad thing after all. I loved the diary entries between the chapters (not after every chapter though). She had dreams and despite the setbacks she had to endure didn't lose her spirit. I found that very courageous, for I don't know if I had been able to keep the chin up when raised by a series of nannies. To make the pain go away Vivi went shopping. Just thinking about it made me want to hug the little girl inside the woman. Yes, she was a girly-girl, but she, too, was solid best friend material. You'll like this very special heroine. Her cards having been rejected was a disaster, for she's someone who never in her life had to worry about anything money-related before. I felt for her, even though the whole situation made me smile to myself. The author had no problem writing about the heroine in a way I couldn't help but like the bubbly ' sometimes nave ' Vivienne. She is a chit-chatter and pretty much talked Maxwell's ears off. Absolutely endearing! Maxwell 'Max' Landry wasn't so lucky to be born rich. As the kid from the wrong side of town he had to work hard for every single dime. Nothing had been handed to him. His dad left the family when his mother was pregnant with child number eight. She died a year later and it was nineteen year old Max, who was left with the responsibilities of raising his siblings. Vivi throws him off guard with her endless talking. I loved that he was overwhelmed and slightly panicked. Also, it was great that he wasn't stumbling all over himself to come to her rescue, and instead tried to distance himself at first. I wouldn't have liked a pushover for a hero. He totally and unintentionally walked right into the role as knight in shining armor. Vivi sure had a way of twisting his words. I laughed so hard when she ended up taking care of his two sisters. Max was always so serious ' it was fun seeing how Vivi was able to keep him from brooding too much. She definitely took the weight of the world off his shoulders. I was glad she dumped that jerk of a fianc. He was a real bastard, but she kept her cool and didn't give him the satisfaction of seeing her break down. From the beginning I felt like there was something more to her and people like Grady were holding her back from being the person she could be. When Max was around she got flustered fast, which was always cute to witness. This whole other aspect of her personality kept popping up ' it was like Max freed something in her. She had no filter when it came to him and constantly apologized for it. It made me so darn happy. Vivi was a bit of a nightmare for Max, because he didn't want to get emotionally involved. His two youngest sisters Lila and Nicki were a great addition to the cast of characters: Lila a kind, old soul and Nicki the teenager, who was angry at the whole wide world and had a lot to learn about confidence, making the right decisions, 'You'll also get to know others of the Landry family. They all recognized the good Vivi did for Max. The attraction between these two is off the charts by the way. All the characters and the story itself were very well thought through. Top quality contemporary writing! A fabulous read. Max was such a sweet, sweet man and I loved watching Vivi reach her full potential as her own person. There is really absolutely nothing wrong with this book. Nothing! 5 stars to The Wedding Diaries by Linda Francis Lee. Beware of Spoilers A few of my favorite quotes for those of you who are interested: "'That's when it happened, as if the little Dutch boy had pulled his thumb out of the dike. Suddenly Vivienne set her glass down with a thunk, swiveled toward

him, and started talking. And talking." "Do you come with an instruction book? A step-by-step guide to your pinball method of all-over-the-board conversation?" "That's right, you're Miss Never Drive over the Speed Limit." "God, how his heart had jarred to see her act like the girl she was. And Vivienne Stansfield had been the one to make it happen." "Have you always been this much of a disaster? You flatterer you."

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