

The SECRET LIVES of WIVES

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America's high divorce rate is well known, but little attention is paid to the flip side: couples who build marriages that last longer than we ever thought possible. What's the secret? To find out, Iris Krasnow interviewed more than two hundred wives whose marriages have survived for fifteen to seventy years. They are a diverse cast but share one significant trait: they have made bold, sometimes secretive, choices on how to keep their marital vows, "till death do us part," as Krasnow says, "without killing someone first."

In raw, candid, titillating stories, these women give voice to the truth about marriage and the importance of maintaining a strong sense of individuality. Both spouses need license to pursue the question, who am I apart from my marriage?

For anyone who wants to stay married—and sane—this is the book to read.

"A wife of twenty-three years and mother of four grown sons, Krasnow advises wives that if they care about their families they 'should find a way to make their marriage work'...A spirited, frequently perceptive work that aims to fix marriages by empowering wives."

—Publishers Weekly

"The best book on marriage ever."

—Leslie Morgan Steiner, *New York Times* bestselling author

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