

Robert Goolrick A RELIABLE WIFE

Narrated by Mark Feuerstein

"A sublime murder ballad that doesn't turn out at all the way one might expect."—**Kirkus Reviews**, starred review

"This darkly nuanced psychological tale builds to a strong and satisfying close."—**Publishers Weekly**

Robert Goolrick—best-selling author of the highly acclaimed memoir *The End of the World as We Know It*—draws on his creative genius to pen a debut novel that's both foreboding and sensual. Set in the unforgiving cold of 1907 Wisconsin, *A Reliable Wife* delivers a gripping tale of maddening contradictions—love and hate, sacrifice and greed, opulence and squalor.

After advertising for a "reliable wife," wealthy businessman Ralph Truitt selects Chicago's Catherine Land as his mail-order bride. And yet when Catherine first stands before him, Ralph realizes this statuesque beauty is anything but a "plain and simple missionary's daughter." But he couldn't possibly know of her devious plan to leave Wisconsin as a rich widow. Nor could she know of the furious demons he longs to unleash during those lonely months of snowbound isolation.

Mark Feuerstein's pitch-perfect narration brilliantly dramatizes the smoldering tensions and wrenching plot twists that enhance this atmospheric and irresistible gem.

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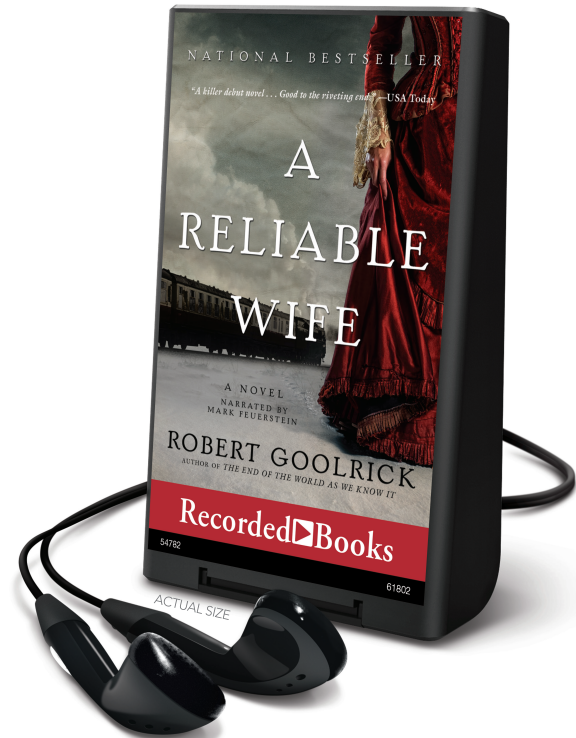
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