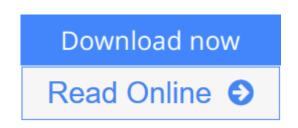


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#### **Editorial Review**

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This rollicking sequel to Jane Austen's *Pride and Prejudice* was originally self-published in 1999 as *The Bar Sinister*. In Berdoll's wild, bawdy, and utterly enjoyable novel, the Darcys begin their married life as one of the happiest, most in-love couples imaginable. Berdoll picks up the story after their wedding, but flashes back to the days after the courtship, when Elizabeth and Darcy's passion for each other grew stronger. After a spicy wedding night, the couple finds their compatibility extends far beyond their matched wits. As Elizabeth settles into her role as mistress of a large household, her sister Jane grapples with her own, less passionate marriage to Charles Bingley. Thrown in as well are an illegitimate young man who just might be Darcy's son, a vengeful serving man who plagues the Darcys and develops an unhealthy fixation on Elizabeth, and suspicions of infidelity. Austenites who enjoy the many continuations of her novels will find much to love about this wild ride of a sequel, especially Berdoll's depiction of the enduring, strong love between Elizabeth and Darcy. *Kristine Huntley* 

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#### Review

"In short, with this book, Linda Berdoll proves herself to be a worthy novelist, and her continuation of Austen's evergreen tale will live long in readers' memories, perhaps even as long as the original." - *CurledUp.com* 

" If you want to see what a romance writer can do with Austen's characters, then *Mr. Darcy Takes a Wife* is an overheated potboiler of a bodice ripper that can't fail to elicit a strong opinion one way or the other." - *This Gaudy Gilded Stage* 

"I loved *Mr. Darcy Takes a Wife*, and I want more! And being the lucky girl I am, there's more, because Berdoll has written a sequel to this sequel. I will be continuing the exciting story of Darcy and Elizabeth in Darcy & Elizabeth: Nights and Days at Pemberley. I can't wait!" - *blogcritics.org* 

"This is such a treat for Pride and Prejudice fans. There is the perfect balance between the continuation of a wonderful story with visits from lovable characters (or characters that you love to hate). The story ends on a cliffhanger, but as I have mentioned, there is a sequel to this sequel.

I highly recommend Mr. Darcy Take a Wife. It's not too often that we get to find out what happens next, and Berdoll does an admirable job of continuing a wonderful story." - *Epinions.com* 

#### About the Author

Linda Berdoll is a self-described "Texas farm wife" whose interest in all things Austen was piqued by the BBC/A&E mini-series of Pride and Prejudice. Four years and much research later, her effort, Mr. Darcy Takes a Wife (originally titled The Bar Sinister) appeared, to the acclaim of readers and the horror of Jane Austen purists. This is Berdoll's first novel, but she has since published a humorous book of euphemisms and is now at work on a sequel to the sequel. She and her husband live on a pecan farm in Del Valle, Texas. Although she admits that she eloped in a manner similar to Lydia Bennet's, to her great fortune it was with Darcy, not Wickham.

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