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## Editorial Review

### Review

"All the elements are here: glamour, wit, and inspiration. Tuck in for a stylish life." (Jonathan Adler)

"Erin Gates's incredible eye for beauty is matched only by her funny, raw, and honest voice. I am such a fan of this gifted woman and this gorgeous book." (J. Courtney Sullivan, author of *The Engagements and Maine*)

"Erin's book is a breath of fresh air, just like her witty, engaging, and informative blog. And unlike most decorating books, I actually read this one!" (Holly Becker, author of *Decor8*)

"The thing I've always loved about Erin's blog is how well she balances the personal and professional while making it fun and informational. She has translated that seamlessly into this book, where you get a sense of not only who she is but also expert design advice. And her cheetah print stairs had me at hello... followed by a quick "damn gurl!" (Emily Henderson, HGTV host)

"Of course I loved seeing the hints of David Hicks in her beautiful design work, but what struck me the most was the undecoratorly way this book is written. Hugely refreshing. Erin is a joy both in print and in person." (India Hicks)

"Filled with her trademark no-holds-barred prose, charming anecdotes, and practical advice." (*Houston Chronicle*)

"Style is subjective, but the elements of style are pretty universal. Few people know this better than blogger-turned-interior designer and author Erin Gates. She wrote the book on it--literally." (*Huffington Post Home*)

"[Gates] has a knack for combining practical advice [...] with humorous reflection on mistakes and lessons learned over the course of her 10-year career as an interior designer." (*BookPage*)

"Her advice is glamorous yet practical and often served up with humor." (*Washington Post*)

"Its pages are full of gorgeous photographs and funny personal essays about renovation disasters and marital spats over what table to choose. Warning: You may be roped into rearranging the furniture." (*RealSimple.com*)

"Jam-packed with loads of fab photos as well as practical advice, lessons learned, and insight from Gates's own home renovation, as well as her work with her other design clients. (*HGTV blog*)

"Flip through the pages of interior designer Erin Gates's fun and informative new book..., and you'll feel like you're stepping into her new house." (*Metro US*)

### About the Author

Erin T. Gates is a Boston-based interior designer, blogger, and curator of all things stylish. She began her blog, *Elements of Style*, in 2007 and formed her own design company, Erin Gates Design, shortly thereafter. Her work and writing have been featured in publications, such as *O, The Oprah Magazine*, *Ladies Home Journal*, *House Beautiful*, *Boston Magazine*, *Inside Weddings*, and *Better Homes and Gardens*. She is married to Andrew Gates and is mom to her two furry kids, Baxter and Oliver. They live in Boston. Visit

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#### **Elaine Gold:**

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