

Pier 21 Stories From Near And Far Canadian Immigration

Entre 1928 et 1971, presque un million d'immigrants sont arrivés par bateau au Canada, plus précisément au Quai 21, situé à Halifax en Nouvelle-Écosse. Durant toute cette période, le Quai 21 fut une des principales « portes d'entrée du Canada » ; ce fut aussi le point de débarquement de presque 400 000 soldats canadiens qui rentraient au pays après avoir effectué leur service militaire en Europe durant la Seconde Guerre mondiale. Dans la période de l'immédiat après-guerre, le Quai 21 est devenu la porte d'entrée maritime la plus active au Canada. Aujourd'hui encore, de nombreux Canadiens entretiennent des liens particuliers avec le Quai 21, et ce, à travers leurs antécédents familiaux ou les récits d'arrivée de leurs parents sur le site du Quai 21. Depuis 1998, les chercheurs du Centre d'interprétation du Quai 21 et du Musée canadien de l'immigration ont mené de très nombreuses entrevues, examiné d'innombrables documents d'archives, compilé des récits écrits par des immigrants et acquis des photographies, des documents et d'autres objets emblématiques de l'histoire du Quai 21. Ce livre est le produit de ce long et patient travail de collecte. Il nous révèle l'histoire de cet immense hangar maritime canadien

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durant ses années d'activité et, ultérieurement, en tant que lieu historique national, musée et site mémoriel ouvert au grand public. Publié en français.

'So wise and so well done. It made me wish it were much longer than it is' Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie

From the award-winning author of *Five Star Billionaire* and *We, The Survivors* comes a whirlwind personal history of modern Asia, as told through his Malaysian and Chinese heritage.

This extraordinary collection of historical photographs and informative text tells the story of one of Canada's most important historic sites: Pier 21 on the Halifax waterfront. It was through this "Gateway of Hope" that over one million new Canadians passed on their way to a new life in Canada. The facility, which operated continuously from 1928 to 1971, was also the processing site for endless numbers of soldiers, prisoners of war, displaced persons, and refugees as well as "war brides" and "guest children" caught up in the tragic drama of two world wars. *Pier 21: An Illustrated History* includes an introductory chapter on Pier 21's precursor, Pier 2, and its role in Halifax's development as a strategic port of destination, not to mention its significant contribution to our country's nationhood, at war and at peace.

Between 1928 and 1971, Pier 21 was the gateway of Canada. As the landing port for immigrants, it greeted more than one million new Canadians. It

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also saw many Canadians leave, including 368,000 soldiers who sailed overseas during the Second World War. This is the story of Pier 21 and the many people who passed through it, the war brides and their children, the returning warriors, and the refugees from war-torn Europe and beyond. It examines the importance of Canada's "Ellis Island" and its role today as a historical center.

'Immensely gripping ... Stayed up till past 2am to finish this' Sophie Hannah on The Sunday Times bestseller *The Dinner Guest*

#1 NATIONAL BESTSELLER Winner of the 2018 JW Dafoe Book Prize Longlisted for British Columbia's National Award for Canadian Non-Fiction 2018 Runner-up for the 2018 Templer Medal Book Prize Finalist for the 2018 Ottawa Book Awards A bold new telling of the defining battle of the Great War, and how it came to signify and solidify Canada's national identity Why does Vimy matter? How did a four-day battle at the midpoint of the Great War, a clash that had little strategic impact on the larger Allied war effort, become elevated to a national symbol of Canadian identity? Tim Cook, Canada's foremost military historian and a Charles Taylor Prize winner, examines the Battle of Vimy Ridge and the way the memory of it has evolved over 100 years. The operation that began April 9, 1917, was the first time the four divisions of the Canadian Corps fought together. More than 10,000

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Canadian soldiers were killed or injured over four days—twice the casualty rate of the Dieppe Raid in August 1942. The Corps' victory solidified its reputation among allies and opponents as an elite fighting force. In the wars' aftermath, Vimy was chosen as the site for the country's strikingly beautiful monument to mark Canadian sacrifice and service. Over time, the legend of Vimy took on new meaning, with some calling it the "birth of the nation." The remarkable story of Vimy is a layered skein of facts, myths, wishful thinking, and conflicting narratives. Award-winning writer Tim Cook explores why the battle continues to resonate with Canadians a century later. He has uncovered fresh material and photographs from official archives and private collections across Canada and from around the world. On the 100th anniversary of the event, and as Canada celebrates 150 years as a country, Vimy is a fitting tribute to those who fought the country's defining battle. It is also a stirring account of Canadian identity and memory, told by a masterful storyteller.

This thesis explores the transition of Pier 21 from a local heritage group to its designation as a national museum in 2009. How it is balancing its role as national historic site, with a large source community, and its mandate to represent the national history of Canadian immigration. The emphasis on intangible cultural heritage, or people's recorded stories, rather

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than material artifacts, places Pier 21 in the position to adopt new technologies and to connect on-and offline interpretation. In the beginning Pier 21 brought together a community of immigrants and it was oral histories that helped activate that community in order to bring the institution to life. When Pier 21 is referred to as the 'museum of memories,' it invokes not only the memories rooted in the exhibits but in the memories that permeate the site itself. History happened here.

The first collection of stories from the author of *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time* and *The Porpoise*. 'Terrifically compelling' *Guardian* A seaside pier collapses. An expedition to Mars goes terribly wrong. A thirty-stone man is confined to his living room. One woman is abandoned on a tiny island in the middle of the ocean. Another woman is saved from drowning. Two boys discover a gun in a shoebox. A group of explorers find a cave of unimaginable size deep in the Amazon jungle. A man shoots a stranger in the chest on Christmas Eve. 'The real redemption in these superbly gripping stories comes from their canny human detail, and the vivid, unsettling clarity they bring to our lives' *Sunday Times*

In 1948, a small ship carrying Estonian refugees arrived at Pier 21 in Halifax. In this absorbing work, anthropologist Lynda Mannik analyzes the refugee experience through the photographic record of those

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who made that harrowing voyage. Drawing on a collection of photographs taken during the voyage and at Pier 21, Mannik asks surviving passengers to describe their journey, their reception in Canada, and to what extent the photos reflect their experiences as they remember them. The photographs in the SS Walnut collection, she argues, bear witness to the refugee experience even as the meanings attached to them have changed over time and in shifting contexts.

Every spring, Canada's capital city, Ottawa, bursts into colour with hundreds of thousands of tulip blooms. The Canadian Tulip Festival is an annual celebration born of courage, sacrifice and loss, and of a friendship that blossomed between two countries more than half a century ago. The festive floral display symbolizes the special bond between Canada and the Netherlands. During the Second World War, Canadian troops played a key role in liberating the Netherlands from Nazi occupation. Earlier in the war, when Dutch Crown Princess Juliana and her family had to flee their homeland, Ottawa provided a safe haven for them. After the family returned home at the end of the war, Juliana, who had given birth to her third daughter, Margriet, in an Ottawa hospital, presented Canada with 100,000 tulip bulbs in a gesture of gratitude. Each year since, Canada has received 20,000 tulip bulbs from the Netherlands. *A Bloom of Friendship* recounts the history of these two countries during the Second World War, and explains the origins of the Canadian Tulip Festival. This publication is a 10th anniversary expanded and updated edition of the original book, first published in 2004, which was

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shortlisted for numerous children's literary awards. Complemented by poignant testimonies and 90 archival photographs, this book vividly brings a troubled time in history to life and is an inspiring account of international friendship.

From 1928 to 1971, Pier 21 in Halifax served as the front door to Canada, the entryway through which more than 1.5 million people passed. A legion of volunteers, medical staff, and immigration personnel kept vigil at the pier from one decade to the next, greeting and directing the human tide that flowed and ebbed through its doors. The work helped shape who they were, and gave rise to stories that they and those who passed through collected in tattered notebooks or in corners of their minds.

Beginning with the first wave of European settlers and the early problems with the first wave of European settlers and the early problems of quarantine, Pier 21: The Gateway that Changed Canada is a moving account of the human drama that unfolded at this historic site. This new edition updates the Pier 21 story to the present day, including its confirmation as Canada's national museum of immigration in 2011.

Prior to the Second World War, Canada's Jewish community was well established in many cities, including Toronto, Montreal and Winnipeg. As war grew closer, anti-Semitism across Europe was increasing. Hitler's Nazis were spreading hatred and violence towards Jews across Germany. At first, Jews were allowed to leave Germany and thousands escaped to save themselves and their families. Then countries around the world closed their doors to Jewish refugees. In 1939, the MS

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St. Louis sailed for Cuba with nearly a thousand Jewish men, women, and children looking for safety. They were turned away by Cuba, then the US. The ship sailed on to Canada. Despite pleas from the Canadian Jewish community, the government refused to allow the passengers to land in Canada. After war broke out, Canada continued to refuse Jewish refugees entry. When Britain forced Canada to take some refugees in, Canada imprisoned them in internment camps — alongside Nazis. Some of these Jewish refugees were only teenagers. Three years after the war ended and after the horrors of the Holocaust were universally known, Canada finally changed immigration policies and begin to accept Jews equally with other immigrants. Canada's long history of anti-Semitic immigration policies was deemed shameful. In November 2018, Prime Minister Justin Trudeau made an official apology to the Jewish community for Canada's refusal to accept the passengers of the MS St. Louis, as well as for its historical anti-Semitic policies.

The Road to Wigan Pier is Orwell's 1937 study of poverty and working-class life in northern England.

"The moments Emma shares with Grandpa Phil are always filled with beautiful discoveries. That is because her grandfather knows so much.. He even knows how to change simple stones into precious gems...."--

Presents a history of immigration to Canada between 1928 and 1971 through the experiences of nine families who came from as far away as Italy and the Ukraine by boat and arrived at Halifax's Pier 21 to begin new lives. Between 1928 and 1971, nearly one million immigrants

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Wander the waterfront in Halifax, gorge on lobster at a local town hall and relive your childhood in the home of Anne of Green Gables; all with your trusted travel companion. Get to the heart of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick & Prince Edward Island and begin your journey now!

Anna Swan dreamed of a life as big as she was. "When I was small, I was already big news," begins this picture book biography of Anna Swan. "Because when I was small, I was already TREMENDOUS." Anna was thirteen pounds at her birth in Nova Scotia in 1846. She grew steadily until she was nearly eight feet tall, and never felt that she fit into her small country life. Then, at age seventeen, Anna moved to New

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York City to be part of P. T. Barnum's Gallery of Wonders — and her life changed forever. Fame, world travel, true love! This real-life giantess lived a real-life storybook adventure! Using digital storytelling--a new media genre that began in California in the late 1990s and that proliferated across 'the West' in the 2000s--as a site of analysis, this book asks, 'What is done in the name of the everyday?' Like everyday multiculturalism, digital storytelling is promoted as an accessible, enabling, and ordinary phenomenon that represents cultural experience more accurately than official sites. As such, the genre frequently houses stories of migration, community, and ethnic and racial differences. In turn, digital story collections often act as digital monuments or repositories of multiculturalism, giving a digital life to narratives of migration, cultural difference, and national belonging. This is evidenced in one of the world's largest public collections of digital stories, found in the Australian Centre for the Moving Image (ACMI) and referenced throughout this book. Using examples from this collection and pointing to comparable ones in the UK and North America, this book investigates how notions of the everyday become a channel through which certain long-standing discourses of race get redeployed in multicultural nations. What can digital storytelling teach us about the status and future of multiculturalism in these societies? Can digital storytelling re-mediate multiculturalism in new, progressive ways?

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He's suffering in silence... Teague Carter, one of the four owners of Pier 70 Marina, has spent his life feeling rejected. To the point that he has never allowed himself to get close to anyone. He prefers it that way, in fact. But he refuses to believe that his destructive behavior might be something more than rebellion. He's unable to speak... Hudson Ballard, Pier 70's mechanic, has been fighting his attraction to

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Teague for years. He has stood by and watched the kid get more and more out of control, but this time is the last. If Teague wants to use sex to escape his problems, Hudson is certainly willing to be the one to show him that he's good with more than just his hands. Sometimes words aren't necessary. There are fireworks when this out-of-control bad boy agrees to no strings with this tatted up, dominating mechanic. Can Teague and Hudson keep their emotions from getting involved in their arrangement? Or -- thanks to the demons from their pasts -- will the darkness steal from them before they have a chance?

Martin Collier is a stagehand on "Seaside Spectacular" where he falls for an unattainable dancer and where he suspects that Gerry Neon, the star of the show, may be his father. Only his mother knows for sure... Set in the summer of 1985 in the northern coastal town of Grumby, *The End of the Pier* explores the Great British seaside resort and the much-loved Variety show. There is sea air and sand castles, comedians and jugglers; but this is no postcard from the good old days as sex and violence are never far away. ...and when Martin learns something about his mother - a secret, a lie - he is compelled to search into her dark past and to confront his own painful history. "Striking, compelling... A sharply observed evocation of a dying world. The writing is superb, the characters unforgettable and the ending incredibly moving. One of the best debuts I've read. Highly recommended." Stav Sherez, Author of *A Dark Redemption* "Lifts the curtain on the dark reality of summer season shows. Characters recognisable but stripped of cheap sentiment. A great read." Tony Peers, veteran comedian, actor and producer "Fantastic! Gripping. Nostalgic. Brought back memories. I was there!" Kevin McFarlane, Technical Stage Manager, Lyceum Theatre, Crewe

Diverse Spaces: Identity, Heritage and Community in

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Canadian Public Culture explores the presentation and experience of diversity and belonging in public cultural spaces in Canada. An interdisciplinary group of scholars interrogate how 'Canadian-ness' is represented, disputed, negotiated and legitimized within spaces, media and institutions. The volume begins with contributions that draw attention to contested and exclusionary places within official public culture, and then offers alternative narratives that assert voice and remap public spaces. Contributors take a close look at actually-occurring engagements with culture, heritage and community, and the erasures, conflicts, compromises, failures and successes that have emerged. Special attention is paid to 'multiculturalism' as a central concept in the ideal of 'diverse spaces' in Canada, and the perspectives of people from many cultural backgrounds who seek to engage with cultural, historical and social knowledge within these spaces. The authors in this book examine, analyze and theorize why and how Canada's diverse peoples have publically expressed or contested different histories, different identities and different forms of community. Places of official culture inspected in this volume include national, provincial and local museums and monuments including the Canadian National Museum of Immigration and Windsor's Underground Railroad monument. Alternative spaces addressed by contributors look at (re)presentations and (re)mappings through public art and performance, both individual and community-based, such as the photographs of Jeff Thomas, the personal narratives at the Sikh Heritage Centre, and the chalk memorializing of politician Jack Layton. These chapters will resonate with a broad range of scholars examining how nations and citizens address culturally the liberty, equality and solidarity implied by the concept of 'diverse spaces'. Though primarily intended for graduate students, researchers and professors in cultural studies, sociology and Canadian

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studies, the interdisciplinary nature of the questions raised will also appeal to international scholars in cultural policy, arts and cultural management, performance studies, museum and heritage studies, and cultural geography. Importantly, this book will be of interest to professionals and practitioners in institutions, agencies and associations of the public arts and culture sector both in Canada and internationally.

Between 1928 and 1971, nearly one million immigrants landed in Canada at Pier 21 in Halifax, Nova Scotia. During those years, it was one of the main ocean immigration facilities in Canada, including when it welcomed home nearly 400,000 Canadians after service overseas during the Second World War. In the immediate postwar period, Pier 21 became the busiest ocean port of entry in the country. Today, people across Canada still enjoy connections to Pier 21 through family history and stories of arrival at the site. Since 1998, researchers at the Pier 21 Interpretive Centre and now the Canadian Museum of Immigration have been conducting interviews, reviewing archival materials, gathering written stories, and acquiring photographs, documents, and other objects reflecting the history of Pier 21. This book builds upon the resulting collection. It presents a history of this important Canadian ocean immigration facility during its years of operation and later emergence as a site of public commemoration. Published in English.

European settlement of Western Canada was both rapid and dramatic. People came from all over the world to take advantage of cheap land (\$10 for 160 acres/64.7 hectares). Women most often came with parents, or followed husbands and brothers. They traded extended family life in familiar landscapes imbued with ancient histories for life in an undeveloped country with few roads and rough, new communities full of people from

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diverse cultures, speaking dozens of different languages. We know the stories of men who settled and developed the West, but of the women, except for a handful of rich and famous, we know little. They Came tells the heroic stories of 113 women who came to Western Canada from somewhere else between 1890 and 1950.

Following each story is a recipe, something their children and grandchildren remember fondly.

From 1906 to 1914, the Empress of Ireland, one of the fastest and most elegant liners of the era, graced the waters of the Atlantic Ocean only to sink in 14 minutes in the St. Lawrence River. Its true legacy, though, is the significant role it played in building Canada.

On a balmy August morning in 1846, a child was born to Ann and Alexander Swan in the couple's small wood cabin in Millbrook, Colchester County, Nova Scotia. This in itself was not odd, as home was where babies were most often born in the mid 19th century. What was surprising, however, was that Anna Swan weighed an amazing 6 kilograms (13 pounds) -almost twice the size of an average newborn. Anna Swan grew to an astonishing size -nearly 2.5 meters (almost 8 feet) tall. She was billed as "The Nova Scotia Giant Girl" at P.T. Barnum's American Museum in New York. But despite her unusual and challenging physical attributes, she rose above adversity and led the life of love, happiness and great accomplishments. This is her remarkable story. A unique solution is found when a little girl dreams of getting a pet. Gwendolyn longs for a pet. What kind? Any kind! How many legs? Two, four, ten--she's not picky! But her parents have other ideas, and instead they give

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her . . . a box of dirt. "It smells of swamp," Gwendolyn says--but her parents say it smells of possibilities. And once Gwendolyn gets savvy about seeds and soil, sun and shade, she finds they are right. The dirt starts performing some amazing tricks, and soon she has a whole pet garden of her very own--it might not have "any legs at all, but it was alive, and Gwendolyn could talk to it, care for it, and watch it grow." Dynamic illustrations full of funny details show the love Gwendolyn puts into caring for her "pet," and her enthusiasm and pride are sure to inspire gardeners and aspiring gardeners alike. Dale Dunlop and Alison Scott's long-established bestseller, *Exploring Nova Scotia*, is a bible for people who like to get out and explore the province. In this new book the authors have selected 25 of the very best the province has to offer for their "Bucket List" picks. They offer guidance on what each has to offer - and point to how to make a visit to a well-known attraction an experience of a lifetime. There's something for everyone in this collection: from adrenalin junkies looking to ride the tidal bore, to history buffs interested in the hunt for treasure on Oak Island, or golfers looking for guidance about when to play the great Cape Breton courses. Each entry in this book is supported with Dale and Alison's colour photos. This is the book to use to plan unforgettable one-of-a-kind experiences and travel adventures.

The heart of the communities around Halifax harbour lives on in the people who left their mark Nothing illustrates the dynamic history of the towns that make up Halifax Regional Municipality better than the lives of the

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men and women who have called it home. The behind-the-scenes history of Halifax, Dartmouth and Bedford comes to life in this collection of insightful stories. The writers describe lives of people who either found their final resting place in Halifax or for whom there is a plaque or memorial. John Boileau recounts the exciting story of confederate dare-devil John Taylor Wood, Jim Lotz relates the fascinating life of art gallery director Robert Dietz. Della Stanley sheds light on Samuel Shannon, a community builder who has been forgotten in most histories of Halifax. Pam Lutz brings dance instructor Gunter Buchta into the limelight. Roma Senn tells all that's fit to be told about the famous twin-cities madame, Ada. With many colourful illustrations, this book will appeal to anyone interested in Canadian history. * Contributors include: * Brian Cuthbertson * Tony Edwards * Janet Guildford * Jim Lotz * Pam Lutz * Ann MacVicar * Allan Marble * Dianne O'Neill * Roma Senn * Garry Shutlak

Broken Man on a Halifax Pier is a tale of one man's shipwrecked life and an unlikely crew of rescuers hoping to save not only him but also themselves.

Now in paperback, a collection of the legendary filmmaker's short fiction and nonfiction from 1950 to 1966, in which we see the machinations of the creative mind in post-World War II Rome. In a portrait of the city at once poignant and intimate, we find artistic witness to the customs, dialect, squalor, and beauty of the ancient imperial capital that has succumbed to modern warfare, marginalization, and mass culture. The sketches portray the impoverished masses that Pasolini calls "the sub-

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proletariat," those who live under Third World conditions and for whom simple pleasures, such as a blue sweater in a storefront window, are completely out of reach. Pasolini's art develops throughout the works collected here, from his early lyricism to tragicomic outlines for screenplays, and finally to the maturation of his Neo-realism in eight chronicles on the shantytowns of Rome. The pieces in this collection were all published in Italian journals and newspapers, and then later edited by Walter Siti in the original Italian edition.

Thirteen-year-old Jacob's life is hard in 1920s Poland, where he lives in an orphanage for Jewish children. His days are brightened by playing in the orphanage mandolin orchestra. When an American benefactor arrives with the promise of a new life in Canada at a farm school, Jacob and his friends are thrilled. But can they trust this man to keep his promises? The children travel by train and by ship, facing illness and prejudice along the way. where a stowaway becomes dangerously sick. Jacob, who has become the orchestra's star player, must overcome his fears and doubts to help his friends and to fulfill his dream to one day play at the famous Carnegie Hall in New York City. Inspired by real events.

Describes the history of the Canadian pier, the country's main immigration port from 1928 to 1971, and details the reasons many immigrants came to Canada during that time.

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Lonely Planet Canada is your passport to the most relevant, up-to-date advice on what to see and skip, and what hidden discoveries await you. Hike the Rockies, marvel at the Northern Lights, or indulge in cultural delights from Montreal's cafe culture to the island villages of Haida Gwaii; all with your trusted travel companion.

The struggle to find one's place in the world is beautifully rendered in this new paperback edition of *The Land Beyond the Wall*. Emma is a young girl who journeys from behind the Iron Curtain to Halifax and finds her voice through art in this touching perspective on the harsh realities of immigration.

Pier 21 was the entry point to Canada for generations of new Canadians. This is the story of the importance of this site to Canada's growth and now the site of a National museum on Halifax's waterfront.

A historical work that chronicles the little-known true stories of black railway porters - the so-called "Pullmen" of the rail lines.

Searching for love? You'll find it at *The Little Café at the End of the Pier...* *The Little Café at the End of the Pier* is the *Café at the End of the Pier* novellas collected together for the first time. When Jo's beloved grandparents ask for her help in running their little café at the end of the pier in Salthaven-on-Sea she jumps at the chance. The café is a hub for many people: the single dad who brings his little boy

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in on a Saturday morning; the lady who sits alone and stares out to sea; the woman who pops in after her morning run. Jo soon realises that each of her customers is looking for love - and she knows just the way to find it for them. She goes about setting each of them up on blind dates - each date is held in the café, with a special menu she has designed for the occasion. But Jo has never found love herself. She always held her grandparents' marriage up as her ideal and she hasn't found anything close to that. But could it be that love is right under her nose...?

****The Little Café at the End of the Pier is the collected Café at the End of the Pier novellas. If you have already read and enjoyed the novellas then you have already read The Little Café at the End of the Pier.** ***** Readers love The Café at the End of the Pier: 'Brings a smile to your face and a tear to your eye' - Goodreads reviewer 'Heartwarming and made me smile... I can't wait to read more' - Goodreads reviewer 'Perfectly charming and totally yummy' - Amazon reviewer**

She faced years of abuse after arriving in Canada as a teenage bride in a hastily arranged marriage, but nothing could stop Samra Zafar from pursuing her dreams At 15, Samra Zafar had big dreams for herself. She was going to go to university, and forge her own path. Then with almost no warning, those dreams were pulled away from her when she was suddenly married to a stranger at 17 and had to

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leave behind her family in Pakistan to move to Canada. Her new husband and his family promised that the marriage and the move would be a fulfillment of her dream, not a betrayal of it. But as the walls of their home slowly became a prison, Samra realized the promises were empty ones. In the years that followed she suffered her husband's emotional and physical abuse that left her feeling isolated, humiliated and assaulted. Desperate to get out, and refusing to give up, she hatched an escape plan for herself and her two daughters. Somehow she found the strength to not only build a new future, but to walk away from her past, ignoring the pleas of her family and risking cultural isolation by divorcing her husband. But that end was only the beginning for Samra. Through her academic and career achievements, she has gone on to become a mentor and public speaker, connecting with people around the world from isolated women in situations similar to her own, to young schoolgirls in Kenya who never allowed themselves to dream to men making the decisions to save for their daughters' educations instead of their dowries. A Good Wife tell her harrowing and inspiring story, following her from a young girl with big dreams, through finding strength in the face of oppression and then finally battling through to empowerment.

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