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Polish Your Poise With Madame Chic: Lessons In Everyday Elegance



Synopsis

Just step out your door today, and you will notice that poise is a rarity in our wired, fast-paced, and unmannerly world. As uncivil behaviors like flip-flops at Broadway shows and digital oversharing proliferate, this timely book reminds us of the quiet power of behaving with dignity, kindness, and grace. Jennifer L. Scott's Parisian mentor, Madame Chic, embodied poise and not just with the good posture, stylish attire, and natural manners that made her extraordinarily elegant. She also demonstrated steady assuredness and graceful calm in everything she did, from interacting with her family and receiving guests at home to presenting herself in public. Jennifer passes on the lessons she learned as well as some of her own hard-won wisdom, addressing topics such as proper attire at social events, good grooming, communication skills, hospitality and being a good guest, our interactions with neighbors and strangers, role models, self-discipline, and self-image. This inspiring book, full of practical tips and ideas, is certain to start a new conversation about the timeless art of poise.

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Customer Reviews

I don't know if Jennifer has ever heard the quote I used as the headline for my review, but I feel like that is the underlying theme for all of her books. I read the first two and loved them and have been waiting rather impatiently for this one to come out. I loved every bit of it! I am in a season of my life right now where it would be so easy to slip into a very casual way of presenting myself and keeping house(SAHM to three fantastic and busy children aged 6 and under.) However after reading

Jennifer's books I was moved to clear out the unflattering or ill fitting clothes from my closet and only have garments that match with each other and fit well. The other day I woke up feeling exhausted from tending my baby all night, yet I had to get up and take my other children to some appointments we had scheduled for that day. What a relief it was to go into my closet and spend 15 seconds putting together a well fitting and matching outfit! I no longer save my nice clothes for when my children are older, but wear them now and it really makes me feel better about myself. I light candles and play beautiful music on my iPhone during the day and my mornings no longer feel quite as frantic. I sit down and talk with my children during lunch while drinking a cup of tea or coffee from a beautiful mug. I could go on and on (obviously) but I have to say following Jennifer's advice about living each day to the fullest, being present in the moment and elevating daily life to a beautiful experience has been some of the best advice I have ever received for this time in my life. From the bottom of my heart, Jennifer, I thank you. My days and my years will be beautiful.

This book, while filled with interesting pointers, is more of a philosophical self-help book than "Lessons" or "At home with." I preferred the concrete tips of the previous two but found this interesting if not immediately helpful.

This is a helpful book for women who strive for a pulled-together, poised lifestyle. It would be especially helpful for younger women, in their 20's and 30's. I purchased it, but found I already had heard many of the tips before, so gave it to my 25 year old daughter. I have no doubt she will greatly benefit from the advice to live more polished and poised. I loved Jennifer L. Scott's other two books: Lessons from Madame Chic and At Home with Madame Chic.

This is the third book by Jennifer that I completely and utterly LOVE. The book is filled with uplifting, motivational and inspiring words and suggestions. I find myself going back, over and over, to her previous books as well as the information is timeless. I highly recommend this book for anyone looking to add elegance, simplicity and poise into their lives.

We all need to be reminded of the need for poise in our life, and this book does that in detail. Jennifer Scott's newest Madame Chic book is a refreshing read in this world of forgotten manners. As Jennifer notes, practicing these attributes has nothing to do with money or class. The choice to treat people well, take pride in your home and self, and to set a good example for others, including our children, is free and well worth the effort. Take time to slow down and read this great book!

Loved it! Packed with great information that I started implementing immediately. Highly recommend. When I finished the three books in the series, I started them over the next day. They're extremely well-written. Jennifer's website is excellent as well - she comes across as a very lovely human being. Would that her ideas regarding common courtesy, good manners and dressing appropriately for the occasion would come back in style. Ah, the good old days. As Ms. Scott says, "Be the change (for the good, my note) that you want to see." I remind myself to do that every day, even when I don't want to!

I fell in love with Jennifer's first book a few years ago and have been a devoted fan of hers ever since. Her latest book, Polish Your Poise with Madame Chic, is another inspirational read! The Madame Chic books are a wonderful guide for anyone interested in creating a beautiful daily life. I believe Jennifer's books can be truly life changing and inspire us to strive to live an elegant lifestyle in this all too often ill mannered, overly-casual, crass society that we live in. What a difference it would make if every young lady could be given a copy! These beautifully illustrated books make great gifts, as well. I plan to package all three of them to give as Christmas gifts.

Wonderful book! This is a modern guide for every lady to live her best life. As Maya Angelou said, "When you know better, you do better." Here is the path forward for doing better! I've read Jennifer's previous books and enjoy following The Daily Connoisseur. I applaud her for being an example of poise and grace. I'll refer to this book for many years to come. I'm sure anyone who reads it will gain insight into living a better life, no matter her circumstances.

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