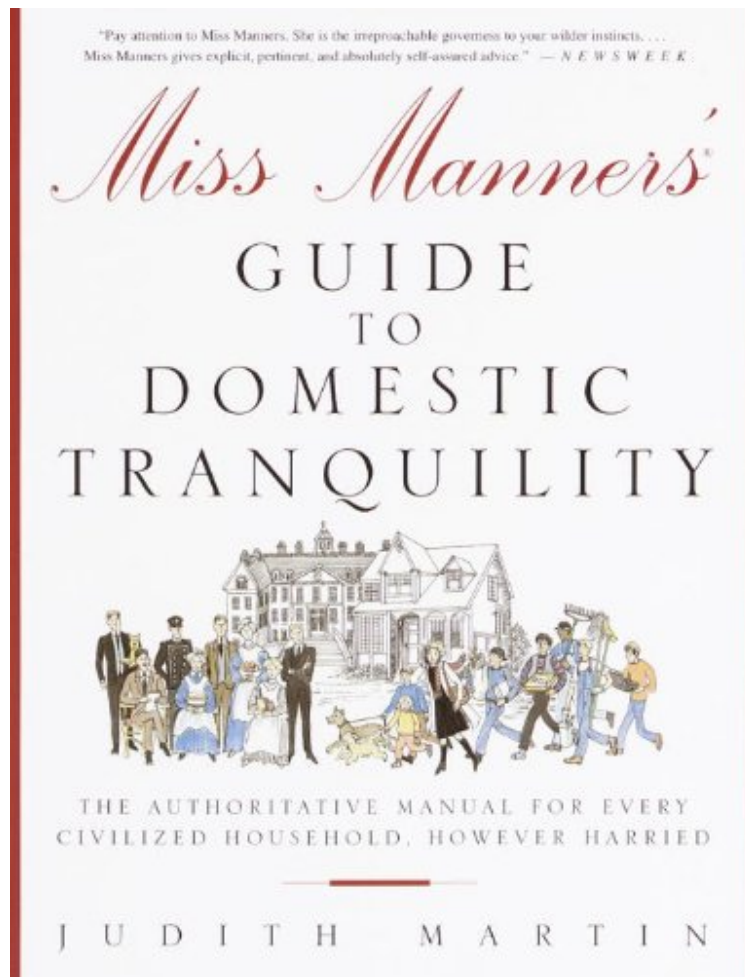


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KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. For the real lowdown, read this book!Von Allen SmallingAny new Miss Manners book is like a breath of spring, and this new tome, much larger than the previous "Basic Training" series, is that much more welcome. As the title suggests, this work is home-centered but it has a decidedly modern cast and deals with such current issues as the stay-at-home

worker, the geographically distant family, the blended stepfamily, and the temporarily secured help. In typical Miss Manners style, she lampoons such modern innovations as the leaf blowers (if everyone has one, it results in a leaf stalemate); the questions she answers seem about evenly divided between the just-plain-rude and the ultra-rude. (Among the latter: people who are "invited" out to dinner at a restaurant and then told to pony up their share of the check; the woman who arranged her own "surprise" party; the trespassing vacationers who can't recognize a non-invitation to their friends' beach house.) As always, Miss Manners strikes a good balance between lecturing and answering, and between sound judgment and humor. This book is a wonderful resource whether it's your first Miss Manners book or your latest in a long line. 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. sehr unterhaltsam Von S. Freyund sanft lehrreich. Wie nett knnte doch die Welt sein, wenn berall Miss Manners milde Gte, Weitsicht und Humor Einzug hielten. 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Miss Manners saves the day (again) Von Dustmerge As always, Judith Martin's witty and impeccably well-mannered style presents civilized behavior in an entertaining and accessible way. Miss Manners addresses those thorny aspects of interpersonal dealings that can reduce even the most competent person to futile handwringing. Chapters include The People, The Place, The Rules, The System, The Help, The Visitors, Entertaining: The Social Contract, Entertaining: The Social Event , Entertaining: The Relatives and The Community.

Kurzbeschreibung America's leading civility expert knocks household discourteousness off its foundations. As the rudeness rampant in America's streets sends its citizens fleeing inside to bolt the doors and draw the shades, they are finding what was once the relative safety of the hearth threatened by an unwelcome addition to their living space--the same rudeness presumably left behind when they stepped across their own cozy thresholds. With the keen wit and insight that distinguishes her column and previous books, Judith Martin's newest work equips residences everywhere with the tools to return manners to domestic life. Refusing to recognize that the harried household cannot meet her standards of propriety--especially since all households are now harried--Miss Manners explains how this is done. Whether your family is nuclear, blended, extended, or unrelated; whether you are single, divorced, living together, or married; at a family dinner or dinner party; engaged in combat with the neighbors or with the relatives--there is simply no substitute for the core of civility that must reside at the heart of every house, condo or apartment if it is truly to be a home. Miss Manners is prepared to sweep through your house and get rid of those lurking traces of rudeness that you were pretending not to notice. You know you are not going to be able to enjoy a pleasant and peaceful household until these few chores are done. Table of Contents Chapter One--The People Allotting due space and respect to parents, children, roommates, relatives--and whoever those other people are whom one of them must have brought home Chapter Two--The Place Making use of the rooms instead of turning them into a mess or a museum, while everybody huddles upstairs Chapter Three--The Rules Negotiating compromises without having to leave home for Domestic Dispute Court Chapter Four--The System Keeping track of where everybody is, where they are supposed to be, and what they are supposed to be doing (if they remember) Chapter Five--The Help Getting the housework done when you can't complain about the Servant Problem--because the servants are you and the people in the phone book who may be there sometime today Chapter Six--The Visitors Offering hospitality without surrendering your privacy or your resources to the thankless Chapter Seven--Entertaining: The Social Contract Reviving the art of not-for-profit entertaining to make friends who will love you for yourself Chapter Eight--Entertaining: The Social Event Learning to give a variety of parties, formal and informal--because it beats staying home alone watching TV Chapter Nine--Entertaining: The Relatives Kindling warm memories rather than heated conflict at family occasions Chapter Ten--The Community Being pleasant enough to the neighbors so you're not afraid to walk out your own front door From the Hardcover edition. .de The world gets more confusing every day, and now even our family life can be unbearably complicated. There's one person who knows how to keep her poise in any social situation, and, fortunately for the rest of us, she has condensed her household wisdom into Miss Manners' Guide to Domestic Tranquility. Including questions from her column's readers, her delicately witty answers, and original essays on topics like "Child Rearing" and "Sabotaging Festivity" (one of these is a good thing, the other bad), the Guide is well-organized enough to use as a reference but also entertaining enough to browse on the way to grandma's house. Miss Manners' style navigates the passage between refined and precious with ease, and is consistently endearing. She has correctly divined that the only way modern Americans will pay attention to etiquette advice is to couch it in gently humorous language, yet her seriousness pervades each sentence. Her advice on subjects ranging from resolving family feuds to surviving reunions to paying relatives for professional services is straightforward, unambiguous, and as pleasant as a flawless tea party. If you have a family, consider Miss Manners' Guide to Domestic Tranquility your instruction manual. --Rob Lightner.com The world gets more confusing every day, and now even our family life can be unbearably complicated. There's one person who knows how to keep her poise in any social situation, and, fortunately for the rest of us, she has condensed her household wisdom into Miss Manners' Guide to Domestic Tranquility. Including questions from her column's readers, her delicately witty answers, and original essays on topics like "Child Rearing" and "Sabotaging

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