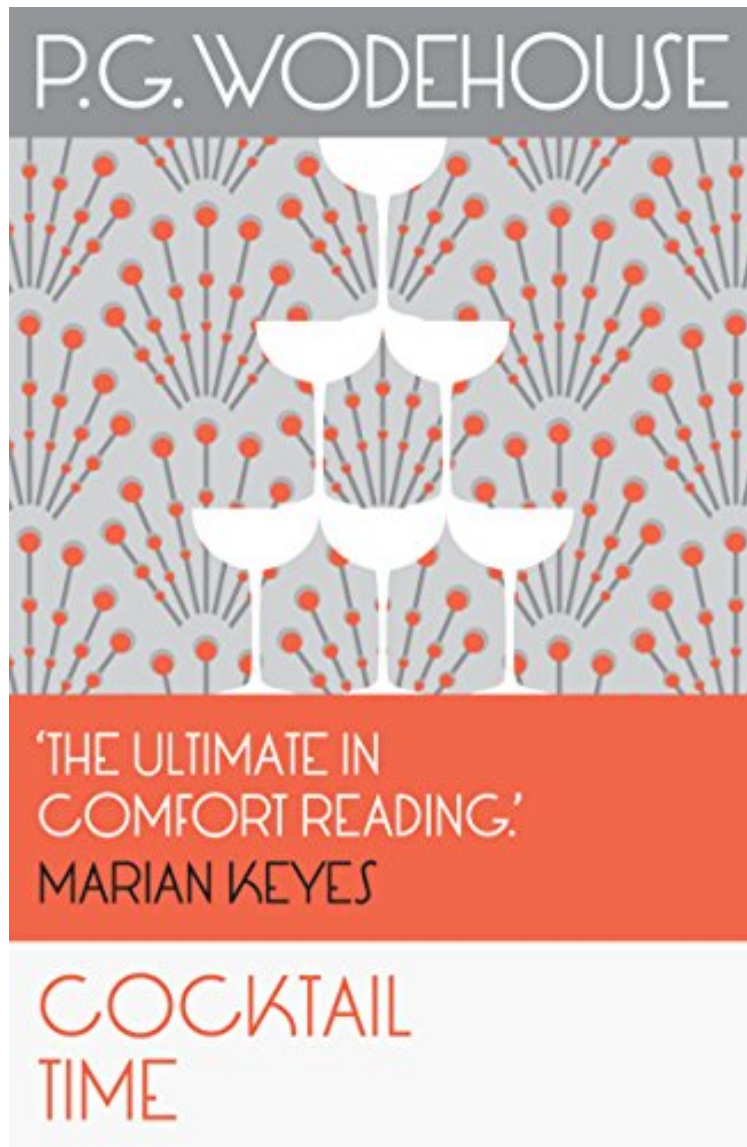


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KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen4 von 4 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Delightful WodehouseVon Russel E. HigginsI would never have the audacity to reveal the inticate plot of "Cocktail Time," (or any other Wodehouse novel, for that matter.) Suffice it to say that "Cocktail Time" is vintage Wodehouse. The novel contains a variety of familiar Wodehouse characters such as Lord Ickenham (the Uncle Fred of several

novels and short stories), Beefy Bastable, and Cosmo Wisdom, a typical Wodehousian "black sheep" of the family. The novel is also filled with eccentric British peers, American con artists, and incompetent law enforcement agents. It even has a scene at the notorious Drones Club, so beloved by Bertie Wooster in the Jeeve's series. It's all very much fun. Wodehouse once described his novels as "musical comedy without music, ignoring life altogether." "Cocktail Time" is indeed reminiscent of a 1920's musical comedy without the music in which Wodehouse skillfully juggles a variety of characters and situations, and creates a satirical and humorous novel that is immensely enjoyable. The novel also ignores the realities of life, a quality that can make it infinitely enjoyable to any reader desiring to escape the crudities of early twenty-first century life.

2 von 2 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Uncle Fred saves the day (again) Von tbone1@io.com Uncle Fred, known in the peerage as Lord Ickenham, is one of the hottest lords around. After causing trouble in the interest of spreading sweetness and light, he rushes in to save four loving couples, confront crooks, and generally make life confusing. He also gets a bit of his own treatment with Howard Saxby. An underrated Wodehouse novel filled with some of his finest humor.

0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. The Real Story behind the Story Von Donald Mitchell Do you enjoy a behind-the-scenes look at the creative process? If so, Cocktail Time will soon become one of your favorite comic novels. The book's premise is deliciously contrary -- if a friend says that you cannot write a novel, some people will feel bound to prove the friend wrong. The backdrop for that decision is uproariously bizarre. The friend, the fifth Earl of Ickenham, has been feeling his oats a bit too much at the Drones Club and decides to borrow a slingshot (catapult in the UK) to pop the top hat off his old friend, Sir Raymond (Beefy) Bastable, with a Brazil nut as Beefy left the neighboring Demosthenes Club. When Beefy tells Ickenham that he wants to find the miscreant who did the dastardly deed, Ickenham offhandedly comments that it's a pity that Beefy is not an author who could use the literary sword to put all such pranksters in their place. That sets the stage for Beefy's novel, Cocktail Time, which he writes under a nom de plume. There's only one complication. Beefy wants to stand for Parliament and he has written a scandalous book that would ruin his political career. As the book's sales begin to take off like a rocket ship, Beefy realizes he needs some cover. Ickenham suggests that Beefy find someone else to pretend to be the author. With that suggestion, an unimaginable series of events follows . . . each more humorous than the last. Will Beefy keep his honor? Will someone else keep his royalty checks? Will love conquer all? The plot is one of the most complex ones that I have ever read in a comic novel, and the ever-shifting action works well. You'll have great fun with Cocktail Time. I don't remember a P.G. Wodehouse book that I have enjoyed more than this one.

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