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When seventeen-year-old Belinda Phillips falls in love with a handsome Anglo-Indian officer, she knows that he is a man she can never hope to marry. When he is reported missing, believed killed in action, Belinda discovers that she is pregnant. Facing disgrace and ruin, she has no option other than to accept an arranged marriage with a middle-aged widower, knowing she must keep the secret of her child's birth for ever.

Reluctantly she sends her beloved daughter to a foster mother in Cripplegate, little realising she has entrusted Cassy's care to Biddy Henchard, a woman who runs a notorious baby farm in an area full of poverty and disease. Despite her terrible upbringing, Cassy survives the old woman's cruel neglect. All the while she dreams of a mother she has never known, hoping she will come and save her from her dreadful fate. But when Biddy dies suddenly, ten-year-old Cassy finds herself destitute and with little hope of ever finding the mother she so longs for...

## A Mother's Secret Details

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## From Reader Review A Mother's Secret for online ebook

### Steph says

\*contains spoiler\* I really enjoyed this book full of interesting characters and a good story plot tho at times their antics were very staid and exasperating but surely this was how things were back hundreds of years ago. Cassy was very likeable as were Bailey and Oliver. You knew that somewhere down the line she would end up with either of them but for me it was always Oliver as they had a much playful fun relationship whereas Bailey was always like a brother so it just was wrong if they got together. Even in the end I realised that her and Oliver weren't right for each other I still couldn't see her with Bailey. They started out as a sibling relationship and she only realised she had feelings for him near the very end, there was no chemistry or anything with them and I am a romantic at heart but Bailey was not the man for her.

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### A Novel Idea says

Requested by Sharon Govender

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### Zoe-Katarina (KattieKay) says

I found this book on the campsite we were staying on, and decided to give it a try. I absolutely loved it. The descriptions were vivid and I fell in love with the characters very quickly. I couldn't put it down. I hope that the other books by this author are just as good!

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### Shirley Revill says

I really enjoyed reading this book. Truly exceptional and thought provoking book that I couldn't put down. Storytelling at it's best.

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### Iwik Pásková says

Zajímavá kniha, při jejímž čtení mě místy mrázilo, ale pak byly i okamžiky, kdy jsem se překnádila. Občas jsem v hlavní hrdinové viděla sama sebe. Vyprávění bylo autentické a uvěřitelné. Autorka příběh napsala s lehkostí, a proto jsem si příběh velmi užila. Mohu výstřeleně doporučit.

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### Michelle Robinson says

### **A mother's secret**

Oh what an emotional roller coaster. At the start the story is just heart breaking, the book draws you in from page 1 and just gets better n better. Must read

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### **Brenda Anderson says**

Really good storyline.love her books.

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### **Gail Atkins says**

This book came highly recommended by my daughter, who read it in a day.

The story takes us from wealthy India to the slums of East London. We watch how the character of Cassy develops from a young baby to a young lady.

Cassy, as a young girl is a carer of others and has high dreams. Throughout her life we meet the the people who will help to develop her. Hidden secrets come out and the past lingers in the background.

A great easy read; which has plenty of love, history and prejudices throughout the pages.

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### **marieka luker says**

#### **A very good read**

I'm finding that I enjoy reading Dilly Court books easy to read looking forward to the next one.  
Dilly Court is one of my favourite author's

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### **Jackie says**

I found the first few chapters so depressing. Was thinking of abandoning it half way but then the story picked up. Was enjoyable a very different kind of story. Found little ms sunshine too forgiving, the mother very selfish and centred the twist in the tale, a little far fetched.

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### **Nicola says**

absolutly ace very much like catherine cookson

totally different from what i usually read

Its about a girl whos put into a baby farm by her mother coz the child is half cast,every year on her birthday mum sends her maid back to the farm to pay money but one day by chance they reunite

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