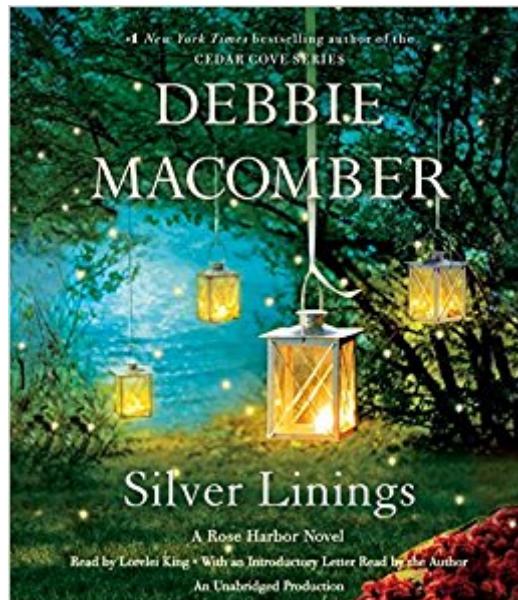




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# Silver Linings: A Rose Harbor Novel



## Synopsis

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER Set in Cedar Cove, the charming Rose Harbor Inn, Debbie Macomber's captivating new novel follows innkeeper Jo Marie and two new guests as they seek healing and comfort, revealing that every cloud has a silver lining, even when it seems difficult to find. Since opening the Rose Harbor Inn, Jo Marie Rose has grown close to her handyman, Mark Taylor. Jo Marie and Mark are good friends and are becoming something more yet he still won't reveal anything about his past. When Mark tells her that he's moving out of town, Jo Marie is baffled. Just when she is starting to open herself up again to love, she feels once more that she is losing the man she cares about. And as she discovers the secret behind Mark's decision to leave, she welcomes two visitors also seeking their own answers. Best friends Kellie Crenshaw and Katie Gilroy have returned to Cedar Cove for their ten-year high school reunion, looking to face down old hurts and find a sense of closure. Kellie, known as Coco, wants to finally confront the boy who callously broke her heart. Katie, however, wishes to reconnect with her old boyfriend, James—the man she still loves and the one who got away. As Katie hopes for a second chance, Coco discovers that people can change and both look to the exciting possibilities ahead. Heartwarming and uplifting, *Silver Linings* is a beautiful novel of letting go of the past and embracing the unexpected. Praise for *Silver Linings*: "A heartwarming, feel-good story from beginning to end . . . No one writes stories of love and forgiveness like Macomber." —RT Book Reviews "Macomber's homespun storytelling style makes reading an easy venture. . . . She also tosses in some hidden twists and turns that will delight her many longtime fans." —Bookreporter "Reading Macomber's novels is like being with good friends, talking and sharing joys and sorrows." —New York Journal of Books

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Debbie Macomber, the author of *Last One Home*, *Love Letters*, *Mr. Miracle*, *Blossom Street Brides*, and *Rose Harbor in Bloom*, is a leading voice in women’s fiction. Nine of her novels have hit #1 on the New York Times bestseller lists, and three of her beloved Christmas novels have been hit movies on the Hallmark Channel, including *Mrs. Miracle* and *Mr. Miracle*. In 2013, Hallmark Channel began production on the original series *Debbie Macomber’s Cedar Cove*, based on Macomber’s *Cedar Cove* books. She has more than 170 million copies of her books in print worldwide. From the Hardcover edition.

I didn’t like the fact that the book’s ending was left hanging and we are left in limbo waiting on the next book. When is the next book? It’s not like it is a TV show where you can catch the rest in a week. Also the repeating of the parts we already know about the characters because it is a series.

In this installment, we find out about Mark’s past. One must be reminded that JoMarie met, married and lost her husband in a very short period of time. Mark considered JoMarie’s husband a hero and he is the opposite. That is actually not true. JoMarie and Mark’s story is to be continued. The inn has a couple as guests from another of DM’s books (New York reporter/Alaska author recluse). It is fun to ‘catch up’ with other characters. There is also an update on guests from previous books in this series. Her two new guests have come to attend a 10 year high school reunion. One to release

anger at a boy who caused her pain and embarrassment and the other to apologize to a boy that she had to dump. At one point Coco bumps into a man that she does not remember and I am sure that many readers were shouting 'Hudson'. Their stories continue after they leave the inn and were a little more believable to follow.

I've read many of the reviews and I've both smiled and shaken my head at the polarity of differences in reviews. What I can say is this -- a reader approaches a book from their perspective, and takes from it what they are able and willing to absorb. While part of this setting was a high school reunion, and simple in some people's opinions, the story is one of multiple relationships with healing and hope as an overall theme. To me, that's beautiful. I loved the story of the unlikely partnering of characters, especially our lead and her handyman. As a younger suddenly-made widow myself, I have to laugh at these fictitious loves but like much literature, it has given me a flashlight beam on the possibilities way up ahead. I hear the message, "who are we to limit God?" I don't know what widows DM interviewed for her research, but many of her widow characterizations were spot-on for me. While there are only so many illustrations possible in a paperback novel, hers were authentic and relational and for that I am thankful. Ultimately, this was a one day cover-to-cover read. I laughed and I cried, I related to characters and I shook my head at others. The examples of forgiveness, risk-taking and life sought after a loved one's death were well worth the time and money of this book. Thank you, Debbie. Thank you for the chance to escape my new normal, just for a bit, and thank you for promoting my heart, as well. Well done, I can't wait for the next installment, I feel led to pray for Mark ;-). God bless and keep you, Debbie Macomber!

First let me start by saying I love Debbie Macomber, I've read her books for quite a few years, my only complaint is she seems to be getting a little too "mushy" with some of her writing. I like how the characters seem real life and deal with problems we deal with in real life but then it gets like I said, "mushy". I like this series and will continue to read it but don't feel I can give this book 5 stars.

Knew the basic story and ending before I began the book. Not the best in the series and not sure I bought the 10 year time frame in those relationships. Too much maturing goes on between 18 and 28 to even have it be believable for me.

I almost didn't finish this book, but didn't want to give up after I had already invested time in reading it. Plainly speaking, it was boring. At the end of it, I was still waiting for it to get better, but it didn't

happen.

Thus far, I have enjoyed this series and the characters involved. I have to be honest. I skipped through the silly 20-something high school reunion chapters. They were a drag. I was completely disappointed in this book. Forced myself to finish it...more or less.

I love all her books have read all except a couple of this year's releases. She needs to write sequel every six months then she wouldn't have to repeat so much. I will just have to wait to see if Mark gets back alive. She one of the only authors that is still wholesome. I appreciate that and one of the reasons I buy and read her books. Others have started out that way and have not stayed that way so I do not buy their books anymore. When they have more foul language and lude sex scenes than they have anything else then it is time to put the pen down. Debbie is a good author. I even have her cook book.

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