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DRINKING

A Love Story

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Drinking: A Love Story



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Fifteen million Americans a 12 months are plagued with alcoholism.—Quietly moving . In this extraordinarily candid and revealing memoir, Knapp offers important insights not merely about alcoholism, but about life itself and how exactly we learn to cope with it.— The beads of moisture on a chilled bottle. What sort of glasses clinked and the discussion flowed. She drank through her yeras at an Ivy League college, and via an award-winning profession as an editor and columnist.” The way she slipped from the dinner table to the toilet, from work to the bar. And, like so many love tales, it fell apart. Consuming Caroline Knapp dazzles us with her heady explanation of alcohol’s allure and its devastating hold. After that it became obsession. Publicly she was a dutiful daughter, a complicated professional.a triumph over the pain and deception that mark an alcoholic life. This startlingly honest memoir lays bare the secrecy, family myths, and destructive human relationships that go together with drinking. an extraordinary exercise in self-discovery.filled with passion and heartbreak, betrayal and desire— Privately she was drinking herself into oblivion.is Caroline Kapp’s harrowing chronicle of her twenty-year romance with alcohol.Compliment for Drinking “ Many of them, like Caroline Knapp, were only available in their early teenagers and began to use alcoholic beverages as “liquid armor,” a method to safeguard themselves against the hard realities of lifestyle.” .Caroline had her initial drink at fourteen.”—NewsweekFilled with hard-gained wisdom . . . [a] perceptive and revealing reserve. The way she hid her bottles behind her lover’s refrigerator.—San Francisco Chronicle “not merely describes triumph; .” And it is, above all, a love story for our instances— .It was love at first sight.The New York Times “Consuming Eloquent . it is one. . Five million of them are women.LA Times Book Review“



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One of the best books about a functioning alcoholic! This is among my favorite autobiographies. It really hit home for me. It made me appear at my very own drinking through someone else's eye. Caroline Knapp was a high bottom level drunk and I could relate with that. She was high working. She was from Boston and wrote for the Boston Phoenix back in the day. I've talked with quite a few people over the years whose lives have been messed up because of alcoholic beverages. But, oh, the feelings! My tolerance for reading about someone's self-destructive character seems to be about 200 pages before I've visions of wanting to slap some sense into the author.

Amazing work This book spoke if you ask me in a manner that some memoirs have come close to but never succeeded. Many of us alkie have wondered if we drank because we'd problems or we'd complications because we drank. Enjoy Mimosas for weekend breakfasts? It's among those books I maintain recommending. It's only a shame Caroline Knapp is usually no longer alive to write more great books. While I really believe it's a little of both, Knapp makes an excellent case for the usage of alcoholic beverages being the bedrock and origin of the secrecy and dishonesty which turns into totally interwoven with the adverse end results alkie place themselves and others through. Do you love a sharp Sauvignon Blanc? It never dawned on me to think about it in that way. I had trouble really getting into this book. I usually struggle to complete nonfiction books, but I loved this one. The non-public and self reflective insight out of this read is truly amazing. G&"Keeping one's liquor" was a check of maturity and distinction. For a career female, she certainly didn't have a feminist mind-set. it's simply impossible in order to avoid the stuff. Congratulations, You may be a complicated functional alcoholic. A relevant memoir for those who are affected by alcoholism at all. The drug of preference was alcohol: legal, mass marketed, promoted to be the mark of sophistication. T's in the afternoon? Browse it now and start your new life today! It's addictive, and destroys careers, livers and lives. But it's a drug which makes corporations wealthy, and several are led to the slaughter to fill up those coffers. I would suggest this publication to all or any who suffer with the condition of alcoholism and the ones who watch family members struggle with it. Hugely insightful and artfully written A brutal consider the horrible negative spiral alcohol can induce visitors to drain into. Suggested to all whose lives have already been touched by addiction, which is probable 90+ percent of those reading this review. While her romantic relationship struggles are really demeaning and sometimes repetitive, anyone who has been down this street will determine with the long slow nature of the relationship issues which are due to the active alcoholic. It's not preachy and it's really entertaining. Loved this publication. I thought the materials covering her parents was a little overdone and very long, but there is a lot to be gleaned from their difficulties, which thus severely affected the writer. I've read the book twice and gleaned various things from it the next time around. Very worthwhile. I appreciated the parts about her romantic relationships and how she resided a codependent lifestyle. The author describes her own experience of the darkest corners of her disease and her recovery from alcoholism. Knapp artfully and eloquently describes her descent into hell and the confused, bewildered mind-set which the true alcoholic lives in.. I would've drank more, but my caring wife brought it to my interest what was happening when I was fifty percent way through the 3rd beverage. Knapp remarks, "We reside in an alcohol-saturated world; Believe it certainly is five o'clock somewhere? really loved this book I must say i adored this reserve by Caroline Drinking a Like story. I gave up drinking hard liquor in university back in the first 1980s because I drank it like it was water. Thank you fir sharing your story. After twenty years of not touching hard stuff, the bar in a resort that my wife and two sons had been staying had all-you-can-drink-free particular for hotel guests. Her memoir does give small snippets of alcoholism trivia, nonetheless it mainly describes her gradual descent into drinking

hell. An aMaZiNg read I couldn't deposit. The Liquid Security Blanket Towards the end of the reserve, the later Ms. Anyone would prosper to read the book actually if drinking isn't an issue, or if you are wondering should you have a problem. It had been very easy to rationalize acquiring the drink and it was even simpler to lose control. Under no circumstances again. Unfortunately, Ms. Knapp's existence took a darker route. I believed, "What the hell. There is a small questionnaire on page 121 of the paperback edition that you may find helpful. Mercy, not merely could this lady beverage but she also was one heck of a article writer. Despite being very intelligent and doing well available world, the author's lifestyle was a mess because of alcoholic beverages.! Knapp was brutally sincere in her presentation, but her substantial insecurities that permeate the memoir were consistently getting on my nerves close to the end of the tale. Her explanation of how drinking sensed like going into a room and pulling down the tones actually reverberated with me. Believe VSOP Hennessy is the only civilized cognac? Not only do I have an improved understanding but I have been able to find forgiveness . Despite the author's eloquent, cogent accounts, it's still problematic for me to see how somebody could conceal liquor bottles so they could sneak shots or drink practically every day and NOT think they have a problem. 'Drinking: A Love Story' provides smatterings of humor, but more often are events that felt like I was punched in the gut. No work losses, no messy scenes. The book is never boring. This book gave me a clearer knowledge of alcoholism than attending any meeting I have found. Drug use has been a component of civilization since cavemen probably ate fermented fruit. It'll never disappear completely. Parts of the reserve had been depressing as she repeated the same behavior incidents several times but that's the type of the condition. Of program, the same could possibly be said about hoovering processed foods. I guess we humans can rationalize carrying out anything. The tale about her half-brother Wicky produced me nauseous. The main point that helped me by reading Ms. If you are a alcoholic, then you Have to read this book. Do you like a sharp Sauvignon Blanc? It's breathtaking to consider how frequently alcoholic beverages is involved when problems such as date rape, murder, destroyed marriages, theft, and whatnot are the issue. You might find that Ms. Knapp's trials and tribulations will resonate for you and assist you to take the first actions towards living a better, happier life. That would be priceless. Some clearly saw that liquor had not been a getaway from their complications but actually contributed with their difficulties; She allowed alcoholic beverages to be her excuse for rationalizing some quite nasty, narcissistic actions.. Very readable. others still live in denial. Not only do I have an improved understanding but I have already been in a position to find forgiveness for individuals who made my life more difficult because of their addiction. Enlightening I read this book because I have a friend fighting alcohol. I just wished to understand what may be going on inside them since they can't seem to articulate their discomfort verbally. Keeper. Alcoholism runs in our extended family, and its own affect on me was frightening as hell. It was a dark, ruthless explanation of an alcoholic who never knew how to effectively quit drinking until she discovered Alcoholics Anonymous. Enjoy it was written simply for me. Honest It's the honesty in admitting being helpless and the tale of 1 alcoholic freeing others in bondage tip the beverage." and drank three, very strong, huge Tequila Sunrises in less than 15 minutes. As was Caroline Knapp for two decades until she finally found her senses and noticed that she and her well-heeled family and friends were essentially drug addicts. I valued her honesty. I hurt for her struggles. The stuff is indeed prevalent, celebrated, and legions of people utilize it to self-medicate. Go through her publication, and a take long, objective look at the love of alcohol in a strong, clear light. Hope appears to be ahead but a remedy is frustratingly not attainable.! One of my favorite books Honestly one of the best books I've ever read - not just about alcohol, but life. Honest account of

addiction and recovery We literally read this reserve in my iPhone because I could not put put it down, and my phone was easiest during the day. She has a unique style of writing and tells her tale in a way that makes you cheer when she is finally able to put down the bottle. Recommend (specifically for women I'd think - but an excellent read irrespective of your gender). It's a great read. A must read in this space. It was OK The story was a bit scattered. Know what goes greatest with Risotto? The right insight on alcoholism, though. Amazing! All I could say is: If you have ever thought to oneself you might have a drinking problem, then you NEED to read this publication. Knapp's memoir was recognizing that lots of stories people have explained or I've study the years seemed very illogical in their actions but could be described if liquor was included. Bloodies at sundown on the deck of the Hunter 380? Women In Recovery Must Have Read! Don't wait around another moment. It's ethanol and flavored water. Ms. Great story about recovery I bought the reserve, Drinking: A Love Story awhile ago and finally decided to read it.! While I am just barely on the path to recovery I truly believe reading this publication has been an important part of my recovery. Amazing book for Recovery!" No kidding. It is the type of book that makes you want to keep going back and reading the next chapter. she organized it properly and it flowed conveniently. Her descriptions were clear and I experienced like I was there. The topic matter is difficult, but of which I have some experience, however different than the author's. Twenty friggin' years with out a drop of hard liquor and here arrived the Caca Express to Liquored Oblivion. Her scenes are so genuine, you'll either have the ability to relate (problem with alcoholic beverages?) or you will not. I have alot of books in my kindle, but this is one I'm not trading in to make space for others. I discovered so much.



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