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Praise for *Spring Clean for the Peach Queen*:

'A heart-grabbing Aussie story that doesn't shy away from exploring family relationships, Spring Clean for the Peach Queen is a book to savour.'

Rachael Johns

'This joyous novel truly is a spring clean for the soul.'

Joanna Nell

'I loved this deeply moving, relevant novel from a wonderful Australian storyteller about family, the ties that bind, chasing dreams, and what home really means. All the feels!'

Tess Woods

'A moving and engaging read from the first page to the last. Couldn't put it down.'

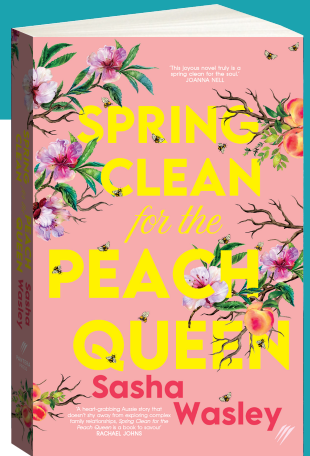
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SPRING CLEAN FOR THE PEACH QUEEN by Sasha Wasley



One tanked career, one badly timed glamour shoot and one dead boyfriend later, thirty-year-old Lottie Bentz is finally going home.

Back in the orchard town of Bonnievale, Lottie embarks on a radical declutter of her life, Marie Kondo-style. She casts out everything that got her into trouble: her phone, socials, make-up and a tendency to tell little white lies – to herself and others. But home has its own issues, not least Lottie's staunchly feminist mother, who is furious with her.

When Lottie lands herself a place to stay in exchange for helping kindly Mrs Brooker try out the Kondo method, it seems like the perfect farm escape. That's until Angus, Lottie's former Peach King and heir to the Brooker orchards, makes it clear she's not welcome – especially when Lottie's declutter begins to stir up long buried memories and half-truths.

As Lottie finds her way back to herself, can she use her talents to coax Bonnievale and the Brookers out of the past? After all, everyone deserves to feel love, hope and the occasional spark of joy.

About the author

Sasha Wasley lives and writes in Perth, Western Australia. After completing a degree in feminist literature at Murdoch University in 2006, Sasha went on to become a copywriter and Ambassador for the Books in Homes Australia charity, which provides books of choice for disadvantaged children.



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1. Take a look at Lottie's spring-cleaning list on page 18. What are some things you would spring clean from your life? Alternatively, if you were spring cleaning your life, what are some things you would definitely hold on to?
2. Pris tells Lottie, 'What's past is past: it's the here and the now that matters.' Do you agree?
3. Choose your favourite (or least favourite) character and describe them in three words.
4. In what ways are Charlize Beste and Lottie Bentz different?
5. Discuss the different parent-child relationships featured in the book.
6. Why do you think Mrs B took Lottie in?
7. How did Jai's death affect Lottie? Do you think it was his death, or everything that followed, that pushed Lottie back to Bonnievale?
8. What does Lottie learn about friendship? What does she learn about staying true to who she is?
9. Do you think Lottie should give up on acting? Why/why not?
10. Do you think Penny was wrong for how she treated Lottie?
11. What do you think of Angus's policy?
12. What do you think the future holds for Lottie and Angus?



More by Sasha Wasley

Dear Banjo – Penguin Australia (2017)

True Blue – Penguin Australia (2018)

Love Song – Penguin Australia (2019)