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its the conversion to an ebook that does the damage. There are distracting "tip boxes" that in a normal book, you would understand their placement, but in an ebook they look like new chapters or the like, and its distracting and disjuncting and in the end, utterly useless to have these tip boxes come up. Some of them can take a couple of pages to go away and by that point you've lost the flow (what little flow there is) of the story. I like a good trashy read, but this book just doesn't do it for me. If you're looking for how it should be done, read "Bringing Home the Birkin". 0 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Three Stars By B. Merkel Arrived promptly and as described 2 of 4 people found the following review helpful. What an absolute pleasure to read. By markarli This is the type of book you never want to end. The anecdotes, tips and critiques of products were fascinating. Not only is Jean Godfrey-June a talented columnist, but a superb novelist. I only hope she can write a follow-up.

Everybody loves beauty products. Even if you think you know nothing about them, or even if you think you hate them, you actually know plenty about them and, in fact, have several of them that you love. You have major opinions that lie barely beneath the surface. Women whomodestly/moralistically claim to "never use all that beauty stuff" are big Clinique ladies, usually with a healthy helping of Neutrogena. — Free Gift with Purchase From the beloved beauty editor of Lucky magazine comes a dishy, charming, and insightful memoir of an unlikely career. Combining the personal stories of a quirky tomboy who found herself in the inner circle of the beauty world with priceless makeup tips (Is there really a perfect red lipstick out there for everyone? Which miracle skin potion actually works?), Jean Godfrey-June takes us behind the scenes to a world of glamour, fashion, and celebrity. Godfrey-June's funny, smart, outsider perspective on beauty has set her apart since she first started writing her popular "Godfrey's Guide" column for Elle magazine. In Free Gift with Purchase, she invites us into the absurd excess of the offices, closets, and medicine cabinets of beauty editors. From shelves upon shelves of face lotion, conditioner, lipstick, eye cream, wrinkle reducers, and perfume to thoroughly disturbing "acne breakfasts" and "cellulite lunches"; from the lows (a makeover from hell, getting pedicure tips from porn stars) to the highs (the glamour of the fashion shows in Paris, lounging in bed with Tom Ford, a flight on Donald Trump's private jet, and landing her dream job at Lucky magazine), we see it all. Like a friend sharing the details of her incredibly cool job, Jean lets us in on the lessons she's learned along the way, about the eternal search for the right haircut and the perfect lip gloss, of course—but more important, about what her job has meant to her and why she loves what she does, blemishes and all. From the Hardcover edition.