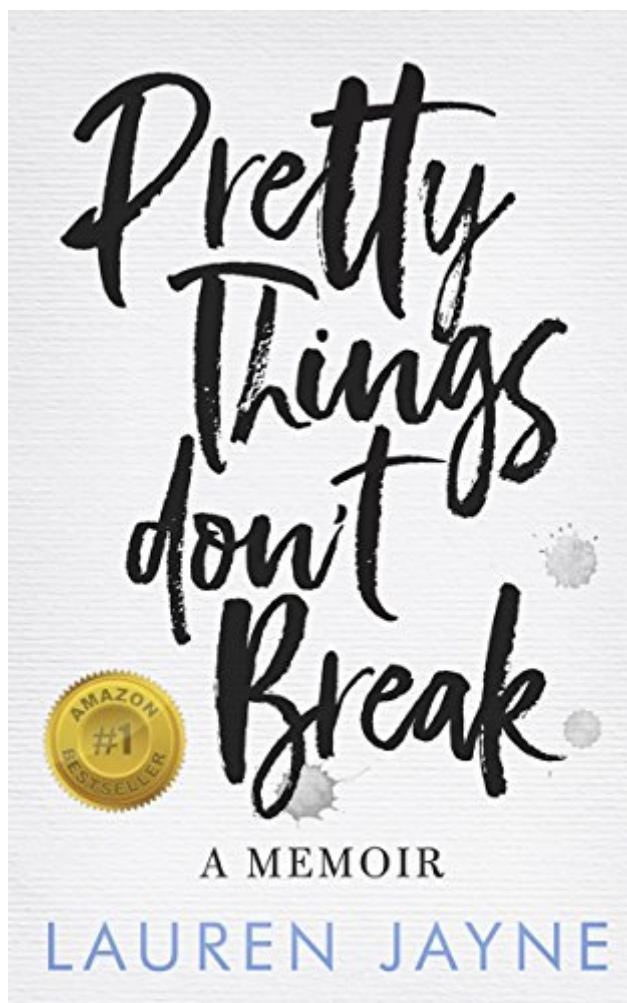


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# Pretty Things Don't Break: A Memoir



## Synopsis

This is a life-changing memoir Her mother was a beautiful narcissist. Her father was charming, but a monster. Lauren Jayne's riveting memoir transports you into her roller-coaster life from page one. Travel with Lauren from her parents' topless jazz club in Australia to her wild-child years growing up in the heart of Seattle's grunge scene in the 1990s. She was a girl on a mission: ditching the chaos-filled life she was born into to find love. In Seattle, Lauren finds the family she has always longed for in her tight group of friends. Here she experiences her first love, first loss, and finally, through a deeply rooted internal strength, a boundless determination to have the life she has always longed for and deep faith. She finds that what she has been looking for was closer than she ever knew. Dealing with life head-on, she fights her way through abandonment and self-loathing, a debilitating eating disorder and suicide. You cannot escape this addictive memoir without being personally affected - you will feel as if you are right by her side the whole way through, rooting for her. Sydney, Rome, and Israel: a lifelong journey of pain, loss and learning This captivating memoir will transport you into Lauren Jayne's bizarre and larger-than-life world. You will journey around the world ping-ponging from Vegas where you will fall in love with her zany Mafia-drenched grandparents, Israel where she will discover a deeper faith, Rome where her love of culture is ignited, and back to Seattle where a suicide crumbles her world, only to finally bring it back together. You cannot read this evocative and beautifully written true story without gaining a new perspective on life. Scroll up to grab your copy of *Pretty Things Don't Break: A Memoir* now

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Very good memoir. I felt the authors voice strong and clear. I kept wondering how she, as a child, could have lived through her relationship with her mother and not have ended up a dysfunctional mess, but she did A really revealing story that made me realize how we must pay attention to the children around us because one could be living in hell at home with no help what so ever.

I feel like I got to know Lauren, her family and friends. The book held my interest and made me feel the emotional ups and downs that Lauren felt. I could not control my own tears.

It's like something you'd see in a movie or TV series but this is real life. I was struck by how inclusive I felt reading it - like I was there, a part of it. I was rooting for Lauren during the down times or thinking "don't do it/don't go there" at other times. Everyone who reads this will take something away. I had what I consider a relatively normal childhood but being an immigrant to this country at a young age and thus never really feeling like I fit in anywhere, means that I probably did not. Thus, I have insecurities like all of us and moments where I lack the confidence I feel I should have. However, as Lauren points out, we can't look to others to make our lives better. That can only come from within - only WE have control over who we are and what we do in this lifetime. I salute Lauren's courage for putting it all out there. I find inspiration in her words and hope you will too.

great book even for young adults. as an almost 14 year old I love reading and adventuring with Lauren as she makes her way through her young adult life. must read

Very interesting. Well written. Entertaining.

Great read, enjoyed the true story very much just wish I knew if she stayed with the character she met at the end of the book.

Excellent

Such a powerful book. Written in a way that allows anyone ,from any background, to connect and be truly moved. I know I was. Can't wait to read it again.

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