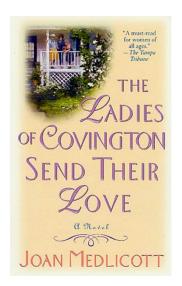
# READING GROUP GUIDE

## The Ladies of Covington Send Their Love

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### **About this Guide**

The following author biography and list of questions about *The Ladies of Covington Send Their Love* are intended as resources to aid individual readers and book groups who would like to learn more about the author and this book. We hope that this guide will provide you a starting place for discussion, and suggest a variety of perspectives from which you might approach *The Ladies of Covington Send Their Love*.

#### About the Book

Cautious Grace Singleton, uncertain of her place in an intimidating world. Outspoken Hannah Parrish, harboring private fear that may change her life. Fragile Ameila Declose, shattered by devastating grief. Circumstance has brought these disparate women of "a certain age" to a Pennsylvania boardinghouse where three square meals and a sagging bed is the most any of them can look forward to. But friendship will take them on a starting journey to a rundown North Carolina farmhouse where the unexpected suddenly seems not only welcome, but delightfully promising. And with nothing more than a bit of adventure in mind, each woman will be surprised to find that they years they've reclaimed from the shadow of twilight will offer something far more rare: confidence, competence, and even another chance at love...

#### **About the Author**

Joan Medlicott lives with her husband in Barnardsville, North Carolina.





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### **Discussion Questions**

- 1. Medlicott interweaves her stories with real issues that confront aging women, i.e. health concerns, financial concerns, the pursuits of passions and lifelong dreams, adult/parent relationships, and the necessity of female friendships. What were some issues that had resonance for you?
- 2. Of the three women, with whom did you most identify? Why?
- 3. If you were to describe the strengths and weaknesses of each woman, how would you explain the way in which they complement each other? What makes this household work so well?
- 4. How did you feel about Hannah's relationship with her daughter Miranda, and how did you feel about Hannah's reaction to her grandson Sammy's drinking and accident?
- 5. Do you think Grace made the right decision in not marrying Bob?

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