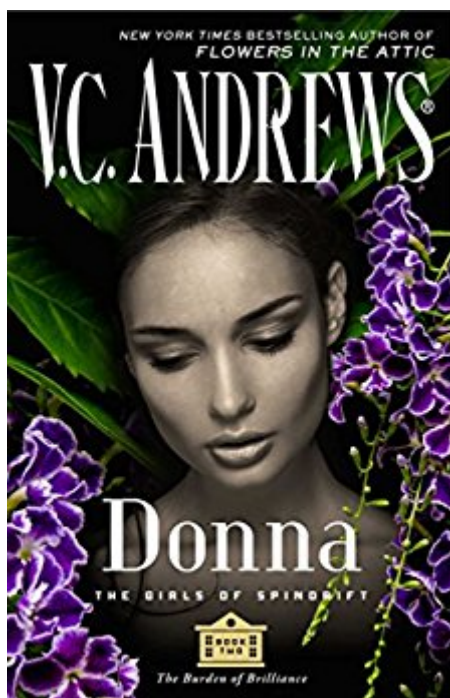


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Donna (The Girls Of Spindrift Book 2)



Synopsis

Book Two of the Girls of Spindrift. From the New York Times bestselling author of the Flowers in the Attic and My Sweet Audrina series, now Lifetime movies, continues a haunting new series featuring highly intelligent teenage girls who struggle to survive a specialized high school and find their place in a world that doesn't understand them. Such is the burden of being brilliant. Being gifted is not something Donna ever wanted. It's difficult enough to have a Latino father and Irish mother, and her genius only separates her even more from the other girls. They don't say it, but they blame her for everything that goes wrong, just because she's different. And on the precise day she tries her hardest to fit in, everything turns out a disaster. A fight breaks out, and somehow Donna ends up in the middle. It's not her fault, but it's her word against theirs, and this time, the other girls aren't going to stay quiet. The only solution might be to escape to the mysterious school her counselor is telling her about: Spindrift. The four Girls of Spindrift novellas together form a prequel for Bittersweet Dreams - available now!

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Customer Reviews

I love everything from VC Andrews, this series included. I would have really liked it to be longer, but it's a great short read.

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Donna is a high school student has always had it a bit difficult being different from her peers since she has a Latino father and Irish mother. Add to the things for the other kids to hold against her Donna is also very gifted being smarter than all of the other kids and most adults. Donna has never fit in and often gets blamed for all that goes wrong but she's taken upon herself to try at least to join in with the other kids her age. Donna's attempt at being a normal teenager however turns into disaster when a fight breaks out and it's her word against the others as to what happened. Donna is the second book in the Girls of Spindrift series by V.C. Andrews. The series is a set of novellas that are prequels to the book Bittersweet Dreams which has already been published. I have not yet read Bittersweet Dreams myself but I don't believe it would necessary to have done so to understand this novella, it seems to be mainly some character building for what would be coming in Bittersweet Dreams. As with the first novella in this series Donna's story seemed to be rushed through to fit into novella length leading me to wish the stories would be a bit longer and more detailed to get to know the characters. I suppose these fit as an OK introduction to characters that will be expanded on in the later book but the stories seem to jump into the event that sends the girls to leave for the school awfully quickly which leaves me wanting more into their lives and who they are. I received an advance copy from the publisher via NetGalley.

I received a copy of this title to read and review for Wicked Reads5 Gimme More stars Young adult age-range: 12+ Kissing & violence. Reading Donna on the heels of Corliss added to the overall experience. Donna's introduction flowed more smoothly with the added information from the first serial in the prequels. Donna is other. That's the only way to describe it. Her mind works so differently than what society calls the norm, that there is no gauge of understanding. Legally obligated to go to school, Donna does independent study all day in a private room in the library, in what used to be the in-school suspension room (from what I gathered). She is more removed from her peers than Corliss was in this regard, as she goes all day without interacting with anyone. Added to her otherness is the fact that she is mixed heritage- a Latina with an Irish mother. Not only is she fighting the fact that she doesn't have the foundation most teenagers do with their peer group-

friends and classmates -she's not enough of either heritage to fit in, and is bullied because of it. Donna's classmates think she feels above them, but she doesn't. Her intelligence is a cross she bears- a curse. Donna has a friend/savior/guy who would want to date her. He's sweet & genuine, and I felt the emotions Donna portrayed realistic, and not at all forced in so few pages. But, for Donna, there is a war waging between her mind and her heart. With an intellect so powerful, emotions confuse the teenage girl. Emotions aren't rational. Love can't be measured. In this prequel, that was a powerful message. Life changes quickly in the blink of an eye, and this is no different for Donna. I was pleased that the reader was able to visit Spindrift for a few pages, as well as see Corliss there. At the end, the overall emotion I am feeling is gimme more. But the other two serials aren't available, and it's going to take all of my self-restraint not to purchase Bittersweet Dreams, which is the full-length novel these 4 prequels are based upon. I will be patient. I will wait. I will read the prequels first for optimum reading fulfillment. Maybe.

Donna by V C Andrews. A fantastic read with brilliant characters. This is a second book in a series. I loved Corliss which was book 1. And Donna was fantastic too. Donna is a gifted child. At school she is separated from the other girls. Her counsellor suggests her going to a mysterious school Spindrift. I loved Donna. But not the other girls. Can't wait to read more from this series. NetGalley and gallery, threshold, pocket books.

Though this one also brought both novellas together. I liked Donna. I like that she's a wiz. I like the sounds of Spindrift Academy too! Sounds like a school filled with the most interesting students and staff alike. So much so, that I can't wait to read more from this series. A definite good start to the series! 4.5/5

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