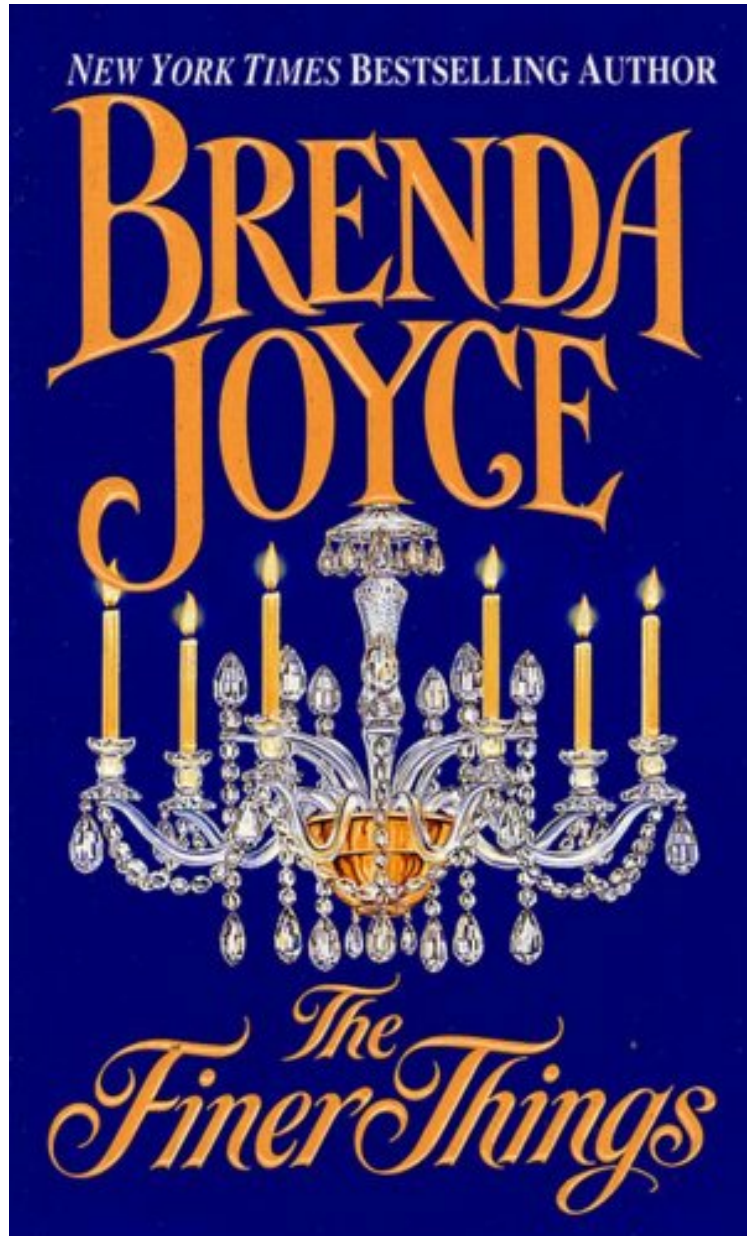


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Von *Brenda Joyce*

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Riches Romance Von Ein Kunde Brenda Joyce redoes the always fun Pygmalion tale in her newest novel THE FINER THINGS. Violette Cooper is a child of the streets. Abandoned by her drug addicted Father, she struggles, stealing when necessary, in order to survive. She wants so much more out of life than what fate has handed her. When Sir Thomas, a kindly old Knight, offers her his hand in marriage she sees it as an opportunity to better herself and agrees to become his wife. Sir Thomas introduces her to his friends', the Harding family, who immediately become enamored by the mix of beauty and innocence she presents and aren't offended by her heavy Cockney accent and her social faux pas. Violette finds herself drawn to the younger, handsome Harding son, Blake, but will not do anything to hurt her good-hearted husband/savior. When Thomas dies and his hateful daughter begins to throw around accusations that Violette may have murdered him Blake feels compelled to help the innocent beauty. She falls in love with Blake and comes to the realization that he will never reciprocate her feelings unless she becomes a real Lady so she decides to take some lessons and succeeds in transforming herself. Unfortunately, no amount of lessons are going to soften Blake's hardened heart. Eight years earlier the love of his life shattered his dreams and he's made a vow that he will never open his heart again. Besides this little obstacle there are many other things conspiring to keep these two apart: murder charges, stubbornness, miscommunication, insecurity, another suitor, a tragic accident involving a family member and some more miscommunication. Readers will admire the way Violette struggles to pull herself up out of the dregs of society and become a real Lady but may tire of some of the choices she makes and the lack of communication between this couple. The hero is sweetly protective of the heroine and a man devoted to his family but he has one heck of time admitting to his feelings when it comes to matters of the heart. The sexual tension and love scenes are tamer than the previous Joyce book I've read so readers looking for a sweeter story will not be disappointed with this gut-wrenching and tear-jerking read. Von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Good story idea, not enough character development. Von Ein Kunde This was a good story idea, but it was not sufficiently developed to suit me, plus, there were problems with keeping details, and some important ones at that, straight. For example, in the prologue it was established that Violet was 10 years old, that her father was not yet 24 (hunh), and that her mother had died just 3 yrs earlier. Eight years later when the story takes place, she reminisces with Blake, telling him she was 8 when she saw him, so instead of being 18 which was hard enough to believe, she is 16. In a discussion about her mother, I think during the police interrogation, she said her mother died when she was 3. There are some other detail problems, in fact one takes place in two contiguous paragraphs, and it detracts from enjoying the story when you find yourself questioning your memory and having to go back and verify what you remember reading previously in the book. I would have liked to see more friendly interaction between the main characters, so that you could understand why they fell in love with each other. There is more to a relationship than looks and rescues. Von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. One of the finer reads in life Von Ein Kunde I found this book to be better than what has been previously said about it. True, if you are looking for lighthearted fare, this is not for you, but if you enjoy a fast-paced tale of forbidden love, read this one for sure! The only thing that I could not quite grasp about this novel is Violette's almost instant transition from street orphan to sophisticate. She hardly made any mistakes after her "training"!!

Kurzbeschreibung The Power...The Passion...The Incomparable Romance of Brenda Joyce The Pretender An orphan from London's East End, a fugitive from the poorhouse, Violet Cooper was tired of sleeping on stoops and being hungry and cold. But she dared to enter a world forbidden to her and her kind. Even marriage to a gentle elderly knight and the title Lady Goodwin could not open closed doors, stop the cold stares, or hush the shadowy rumors of murder...The Aristocrat He was a man of the world. The rules of Victorian society did not interest him, nor could a gauche pretender with a Cockney accent possibly turn his head. Yet Theodore Blake, second son of the Earl of Harding, was immediately compelled by Violet--and soon found himself defending the investigation. But wedding vows were the only way to save her from a certain hanging...The Finer Things Two people from different worlds brought together by passion, bound together by whispered accusations, and torn apart by scandal and misfortune. The world claimed they should never love each other. Their hearts claimed otherwise. Pressestimmen "Likable characters and an intriguing murder mystery."--Publishers Weekly "Readers who relish a sophisticated, stylish read brimming with elegant prose will find this Cinderella story la 'My Fair Lady' to their taste."--RT Books (Top Pick!)