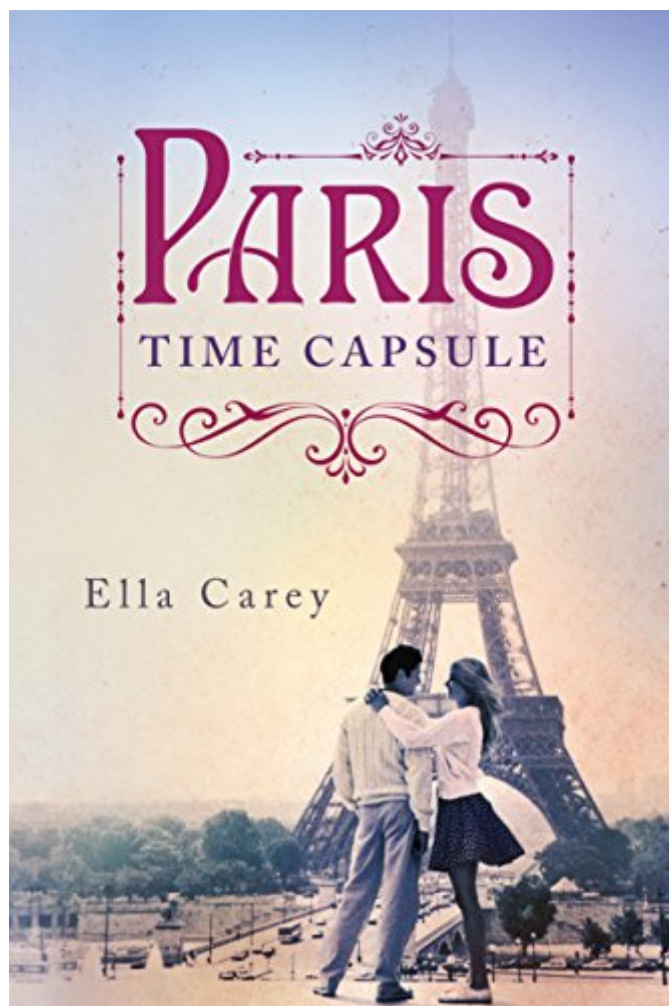


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Paris Time Capsule



Synopsis

New York-based photographer Cat Jordan is ready to begin a new life with her successful, button-down boyfriend. But when she learns that she's inherited the estate of a complete stranger—a woman named Isabelle de Florian—her life is turned upside down. Cat arrives in Paris to find that she is now the owner of a perfectly preserved Belle Époque apartment in the ninth arrondissement, and that the Frenchwoman's family knew nothing about this secret estate. Amid these strange developments, Cat is left with burning questions: Who was Isabelle de Florian? And why did she leave the inheritance to Cat instead of her own family? As Cat travels France in search of answers, she feels her grasp on her New York life starting to slip. With long-buried secrets coming to light and an attraction to Isabelle de Florian's grandson growing too intense to ignore, Cat will have to decide what to let go of, and what to claim as her own. Revised edition: This edition of Paris Time Capsule includes editorial revisions.

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Customer Reviews

A few months ago I read a online article about an apartment in Paris that had been abandoned for

70 years. In 1942 the owner had fled Paris fearing Nazi persecution but had continue to make the monthly payments for the apartment. Only after her death in 2010 at the age of 91 her executor sent a team to find out why payments on the apartment had been kept up for 70 years. When the team arrived and unlocked the apartment door, they found a stunningly preserved Parisian apartment filled with many antiques and artwork, all dating back to as far as 1888. What they also found were love letters written by some of the wealthiest and powerful men in history. I am talking Prime Ministers and famous artists! As they dug through the various artworks, clothes, jewels and antiques the team were in complete shock as I am sure I would be too, history from so many years ago was perfectly preserved. But why the owner never returned is a mystery that will never be solved. Except if you are an author with a stunning imagination, brilliant writing skills and a strong believe in happy endings. Then us reading addicts get the chance to step into the abandoned apartment and get taken on a beautiful journey of romance, mystery and history. Author Ella Carey, incorporated this remarkable real life event into a even more remarkable read. We meet Cat, who suddenly find herself as the new owner of the abandoned apartment. But upon arrival in Paris the original owner's grandson suddenly makes an appearance and Cat immediately knows he and his mother are the rightful heir's, why they are refusing to claim what clearly belongs to them, is something she intends to rectify, but to do this she needs to solve the mystery and discover why the apartment was left to her in the first place. The read was absolutely stunning from start to finish. From the moment the author took me inside the apartment I was hopelessly trapped ! The author described the detail of the contents with such vivid clarity that I could actually picture it all, without even once having to refer back to the web images, as I often find myself having to do when reading a book based on a real life event. And I was so lost in this stunning world that I could smell the dust and the rot when the doors are opened, I could imagine myself dressing up and sitting down in front of the mirror, dabbing on some perfume and adding some jewels. Yes I realize the author had lots to work with as the images are all over the web, but it takes a very talented author to describe it all to me as reader and not make me want to go look up pictures to form the image in my mind, I am a very visual person and only if you describe something to me in vivid detail will I not go on the hunt. The mystery surrounding Cat and her inheriting something that clearly belongs to someone else was so intriguing that it captured my attention so badly I wished I could climb inside this book and discover for myself what the what, how and who is, lucky for me the author did it for me, she took me on a intense journey as Cat travels through France to discover the truth and along the way I am very pleased to say, she also finds her own little piece of romance. Everything about this book was simply magical, the vividly described backdrops, the remarkable characters, the mysteries being unraveled, the

romance, everything blended to pure perfection by the author. I highly recommend this read for anyone and everyone that loves reading. It was a history lesson mixed with a large dose of mystery and a dash of romance, what more could a reader ask for! Thank you Ella Carey for letting me experience a touch of magic and wonder, and letting my mind drift into the world of the possibilities of just why someone would never return to some of the world's most amazing treasures. 5/5 star review" The mystery starts with a key, a portrait and some old love letters"**** The story is the author's own and no possible reason for the owner never returning has ever been found.

A package from France arrives with an old satin ribbon and bow and she is immediately intrigued. She was in France one time years ago but doesn't know a soul there. Unfortunately this mystery will have to wait as she has an important date. After opening the box the next day she calls the number given her on the inside of the box that is for an attorney who claims she has been named in a will. There must be some mistake but the attorney insists there is not and she must go to France immediately. I was immediately hooked on this tale and have to admit I burned the midnight oil to find the answer to this mystery. I had just the right amount of romance and suspense and I thoroughly enjoyed the French charm and descriptions of scenery. However, I was torn between a four and five star as I had a bit of a problem with the attorney and his lack of knowledge of his clients. There were a couple times I found the chain of events a little confusing.

I've got to admit, I was intrigued about this book ages ago when I first heard mention of it. I immediately ran down and read every newspaper and magazine article I could get my hands on about the abandoned apartment. I was fascinated by all the pictures and was looking forward to reading this gem. Having had a father-in-law who fought in WWII for 666 days and remembering some of the many stories he had told of his travels through France, really tweaked my interest. Somehow, I missed it when it was released but just ran across a blog review and noticed the eBook was only .99 cents so I immediately grabbed a copy to read on my new Kindle Fire. It was every bit as great as I thought it would be and then some. There was romance and mystery and for every question answered yet another pops up. This was a very quick read and the only thing missing would have been some color glossy pictures to go along with it. Luckily, I'd seen several from earlier newspaper reports and the author was very good at describing the stunning finds that had been locked away for 70 years.

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