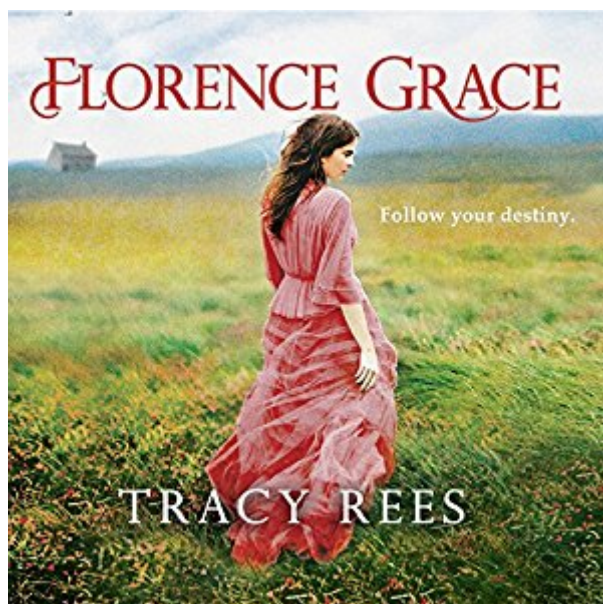


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# Florence Grace



## Synopsis

Florrie Buckley is an orphan living on the wind-blasted moors of Cornwall. It's a hard existence, but Florrie is content; she runs wild in the mysterious landscape. She thinks her destiny is set in stone. But when Florrie is 14, she inherits a never-imagined secret. She is related to a wealthy and notorious London family: the Graces. Overnight Florrie's life changes, and she moves from country to city, from poverty to wealth. Cut off from everyone she has ever known, Florrie struggles to adapt while learning the rules of a strange new world. And then she must try to fathom her destructive pull towards the enigmatic and troubled Turlington Grace, a man with many dark secrets of his own.

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## Customer Reviews

I love reading Tracy Rees. What a different novel to her first but equally as compelled and with the same charm and wit in her writing. Florrie is very charming and honest – the whole book is in first person so you really get inside her head and live her journey with her. The only way her story could have been told really. She is Cornwall and Cornwall is her and the strength of her will and her perseverance in life is to be admired. She is so in tune with her surroundings that I really felt her pain when she headed to London. Come back to Cornwall I wanted to shout! There is so much to this novel and it's a slow but meaty read. Where is Florrie really happy and how does she make sense of the world around her particularly her new world? I did laugh at some of her mistakes in her new role -a bit like when you go to a posh dinner and use the wrong fork but I didn't laugh at her but with her at the reactions of others and the class lines that existed at the time. Such a disheartening experience it must have been! Money doesn't buy true happiness is true in this

novel as is another phrase my granny used to say â ^ fur coat and no knickersâ ™. Bit like Old Rilla, who tells it like it is, and Florrie, now Florence navigates such pitfalls as only she can. The trials and tribulations in her life were fascinating to read about. Those brothers and what Turlington Grace becameâ |well that was the best part of the novel as the ending was nicely unexpected. I really feel as if Iâ ™ve been in a bit of a time travelling journey with Florrie. I really got to know and like her and was really sad to see her go. Locations in the novel mapped out on [thebooktrail.com](http://thebooktrail.com)

I donâ ™t read very much historical fiction, I often find it quite similar and drawn out but Florence Grace was a captivating read with many plot twists and an ending that I certainly didnâ ™t see coming. Florrie Buckley is a Cornish orphan and quite the wild-child running free on the moors. Early in the novel a life-changing secret is revealed to her which completely changes her life and she is whisked away to London to live the high-life and to learn how to be a lady. The book flows beautifully as Florrie changes into Florence Grace, falls in love and becomes the lady her new family wish her to be. This novel doesnâ ™t feel as long as it is, it doesnâ ™t follow a typical formula and it is delightfully written. Florrieâ ™s relationships are so well written and each of the characters are so well formed that they can be perfectly pictured. From her Grace family patriarch Hawker to her childhood Nan in Cornwall each character has been very carefully thought out and described to ensure the reader is fully committed to each person in Florrieâ ™s life. Florrie is a resourceful and clever young woman and it is this which keeps her sane throughout some very difficult times. She never gives up hope of finding happiness even when life appears completely hopeless. There are times when you feel her utter despair and can only hope she will find a way through, the only times I felt she may fall foul of her bad luck was when it came to her tumultuous love for Turlington Grace. Florence Grace is a heartwarming book, and is beautifully written. A huge thanks to Tracy Rees and Quercus for the ARC via Quercus Summer so that I could read and honestly review this book.

When I was recently offered the opportunity to read and review this title, despite never having read the author's previous novel, it sounded interesting so I jumped at the opportunity. So I have now discovered another writer of historical romantic fiction that I can turn to when I am in the mood for this genre. The heroine of the novel is a spirited young Cornish girl who one day finds herself unexpectedly part of a wealthy London family and she is thrown into a complete change of lifestyle. Not an easy or happy transition for her, but true to character Florence survives, to find out how you will just have to read for yourself. An enjoyable relaxing read that left me feeling contented, just what

I needed. Recommended to anyone that enjoys finding a story to loose themselves in away from the stresses of the modern world.

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