

The Unshakeable Stepmom

How to Stay Whole While Loving a Heartbroken Dad

Book Specs

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Extras: Includes a ninety-day self-reclamation plan with prompts and practical tools for nervous-system stability, autonomy, and relationship clarity.

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Bonus - The 90-Day Self-Reclamation Plan

A structured plan to restore stability, autonomy, and clarity over three phases.

Who It's For

This book is for stepmoms and partners who love an alienated dad navigating a high-conflict ex, and who want to stay emotionally intact while building a full life of their own.

What You'll Gain

- You will learn how to protect your peace without relying on other people behaving well.
- You will understand why your body has been tense, tired, or emotionally flat, and you will learn how to restore safety and softness in your nervous system.
- You will gain language for patterns like trauma bonding and emotional enclosure so you can name what is happening without blaming yourself or demonizing your partner.
- You will rebuild autonomy through movement, friendships, and personal goals that do not require permission or emotional negotiation.
- You will get a clear framework for assessing whether the relationship can evolve once you stop shrinking yourself.

The 90-Day Plan at a Glance

- Days 1-30: Stabilize your nervous system and reduce chronic emotional vigilance.
- Days 31-60: Restore autonomy by rebuilding routines, movement, and connection that belong to you.
- Days 61-90: Reality test the relationship from a place of clarity and internal strength.

