

## Eva Braun Life With Hitler Flitby

*DAILY TELEGRAPH BOOKS OF THE YEAR and BBC HISTORY MAGAZINE BOOK CLUB title 'I want to be a beautiful corpse, I will take poison' Eva Braun, 1945* Eva Braun and Adolf Hitler were together for fourteen years, a relationship that ended only with their marriage and double suicide in Berlin. Braun was obsessed with sport, fashion, photography and films, and seems to have had no real interest in politics. She and Hitler were unmarried and they had no children. And so, at the heart of the Nazi regime there was an odd paradox: the leader of a ferocious dictatorship, himself obsessed with imposing an idea of the 'German family' on an entire nation, who chose to spend much of his adult life with a woman 23 years younger than himself in a way that was unideological and bohemian. So who was Eva Braun? Heike Görtemaker's highly praised new book is the first to take Braun's role in the Nazi hierarchy seriously. It uses her to throw fascinating light on a regime that prided itself on its harsh, coherent and unsentimental ideology, but which was in practice a chaos of competing individuals fighting for space around the overwhelmingly dominant figure of Hitler. Braun had a special place 'at court'. She was both marginal and exceptional: a more powerful figure than 'the First Ladies of the Third Reich' such as Magda Goebbels and Margarete Speer, but someone who almost never chose to use that power. Braun's life tells us a huge amount about a particular, catastrophic era in German history, both in her role as Hitler's companion and as the hostess at Nazi social events at the Berghof. Heike Görtemaker's book allows Braun to step out as much as possible from the shadows and fully inhabit her strange role at the heart of a terrible regime.

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On 30th April 1945 the world is in chaos - American and Russian forces have linked up in the middle of Germany, but the fighting continues. The roads of Germany are full of people - Jews who have survived concentration camps, Allied POWs trying to get home, and Nazis on the run. The civilian population under German control will run out of food in less than a fortnight. The man whose dream of a 1000-year Reich began this nightmare is in a bunker beneath the streets of Berlin saying his farewells. By 3pm he will be dead. This book is pure chronological narrative, as seen through the eyes of those who were there in the bunker, those waiting for news back home, or fighting in the streets of Germany, or pacing the corridors of power in Washington, London and Moscow.

**BIOGRAPHY & AUTOBIOGRAPHY: HISTORICAL, POLITICAL & MILITARY.** Who was Eva Braun, wife of Adolf Hitler? The answers are revealed here through remarkable personal photographs. The year 2012 marks the centenary of Eva Braun's birth. This is the strange-but-true saga of her life, richly illustrated from her own personal photograph albums, as well as from other captured German archives. She married German dictator Adolf Hitler only 36 hours before their joint suicides in Berlin on April 30 1945, in the last week of World War II. This exciting pictorial biography tells the full story of a Catholic convent-bred young woman - not only as the secret mistress, as many historians have painted her since her voluntary death at age 33 - but also as Hitler's lawfully wedded wife, even though she is still largely referred to today by her maiden name. They met at a Munich photography shop in

1929; she was 17, and he was already 40.

*Hitler's Death*

*The Mysteries of the Eagle's Nest*

*The Peculiar Sex Life of Adolf Hitler*

*Hitler's Last Secretary*

*The Inner Circle of The Third Reich and After*

*The Death of the Nazi Regime and the World's Most Notorious Dictator*

*Hitler's Last Days*

*Traces Hitler's life from his childhood in Austria to his final days in Berlin, exploring how his promises of prosperity and power along with anti-Semitic rhetoric allowed him to lead the nation of Germany into World War II.*

*Of the many aspects of Adolf Hitler's life, one that has never been really fully documented is his romantic connection with Eva Braun as well as women who came before her in Der Führer's shadowy love life. Despite the thousands of books written about the mad genius, none has thoroughly explored and reliably documented his connection to Eva Braun, including their notorious suicides in the Führerbunker during the last days of the war in Germany. This book explores this and his other relationships in detail, including the shocking suicide of his half-niece Geli Raubal, whom Hitler doted upon, and his subsequent devastation--all thoroughly verified by thousands of pages of research from earlier sources and interviews. Only two women have emerged from most historical accounts: Hitler's niece "Geli" Raubal, his half-sister's daughter, and of course Eva Braun. (There were considerably more). It is Geli's and Eva's violent deaths, though, that captured the world's imagination in a gruesome way. Many readers and moviegoers / TV viewers are somewhat familiar with the last days in the bunker, with Hitler and his intimate circle far below ground while Soviet artillery shells were reducing Berlin to rubble, but that said, many particulars have gone unreported. Adolf and Eva mean to fill the gaps in this macabre yet exciting tale of the last hours of The Third Reich. It covers in detail the suicides of Goebbels and his wife after they had horrifically poisoned their children, the emotions and panicky infighting of those trapped underground, the attempted breakout of a handful of Nazi leaders, the last-minute marriage between Hitler and Eva, as well as the carefully-documented details of their suicides and disposal of the bodies. One key validating element, for example, is a narrative of the events in the bunker provided to his Soviet captors by Otto Günsche, a high-ranking Nazi that Hitler gave permission in writing to attempt a breakout. Three others that included Martin Bormann, who went with him were killed by the Soviets while Günsche somehow miraculously survived capture*

and the war and lived until 2003. Everything he told the Russians was later fully acknowledged, and the story is fascinating, including Günsche's up-close-and-personal account of Adolf's and Eva's last hours. Like a cheap parody of a Wagnerian opera finale, the two newlyweds were dispatched to "Valhalla," and that was the end of The Third Reich. What happened up to that point and afterwards makes for spellbinding reading.

Startling evidence that Adolf Hitler did not commit suicide but instead managed to flee Germany at the end of World War II!

The author presents a detailed account of his fifteen-year association with the German Fuhrer

*The Private Life of Adolf Hitler the Intimate Notes and Diary of Eva Braun*

*Her Life Beyond Hitler*

*The Devil's Mistress*

*Hitler's Last Witness*

*What She Ate*

*The Life and Death of Adolf Hitler*

*The Women at the Top of Hitler's Germany*

**Iit is well known that Eva Braun was the photography assistant and model to Heinrich Hoffmann who had a photography shop in Berlin. Heinrich Hoffmann produced a large number of propaganda pieces for Hitler, some of which have been reprinted, such as "Mit Hitler im Westen or With Hitler in the West" ISBN 487187883X and Jugend um Hitler: 120 Bilddokumente aus der Umgebung des Fuhrers or Youth around Hitler: 120 picture documents from the environment of the leader ISBN 4871879100. We know that Hitler had relations with many women. Most of them did not live long. Eva Braun was merely the last one. We know she was the last one because she committed suicide with him on 30 April 1945, just one day after they had gotten married. Goebbels and Bormann signed as witnesses to the marriage. That is another question we would like to have answered. Eva Braun was a young woman with everything to live for. Why would she commit suicide with a Dirty Old Man like Hitler? She could have walked away, saved her own life and become a cult leader of the NEW Hitler Movement or something. Why show her devotion to him by killing herself?"**

**Nazi Wives is a fascinating look at the personal lives, psychological profiles, and marriages of the wives of officers in Hitler's inner circle. Goering, Goebbels, Himmler, Heydrich, Hess, Bormann—names synonymous with**

power and influence in the Third Reich. Perhaps less familiar are Carin, Emmy, Magda, Margaret, Lina, Ilse and Gerda... These are the women behind the infamous men-complex individuals with distinctive personalities who were captivated by Hitler and whose everyday lives were governed by Nazi ideology. Throughout the rise and fall of Nazism these women loved and lost, raised families and quarreled with their husbands and each other, all the while jostling for position with the Fuhrer himself. Until now, they have been treated as minor characters, their significance ignored, as if they were unaware of their husbands' murderous acts, despite the evidence that was all around them: the stolen art on their walls, the slave labor in their homes, and the produce grown in concentration camps on their tables. James Wyllie's *Nazi Wives* explores these women in detail for the first time, skillfully interweaving their stories through years of struggle, power, decline and destruction into the post-war twilight of denial and delusion.

"An insider view of Hitler's closest circles, providing an invaluable account of the final months of the war" (*History of War*). Erich Kempka served as Adolf Hitler's personal driver from 1934 through to the Führer's dramatic suicide in 1945. His candid memoirs offer a unique eyewitness account of events leading up to and during the war, culminating in those dark final days in the Führer's headquarters, deep under the shattered city of Berlin. He begins by describing his duties as a member of Hitler's personal staff in the years preceding the war, driving the Führer throughout Germany and abroad, and accompanying him to rallies. The crux of his memoir, however, covers his life with Hitler in the Berlin Führerbunker. Crucially, Kempka witnessed Hitler's marriage to Eva Braun and his last dinner and personal farewell to all those present, before he and his wife committed suicide. Hitler's final order to Kempka was that he have ready enough petrol to burn him and his wife. Under constant Soviet artillery fire, Kempka, Linge, and others poured petrol over the bodies and burnt them. The account concludes with Kempka's hazardous escape out of a burning Berlin more than 800 kilometers through Allied-occupied Germany, his arrest, and interrogation before being sent to serve as a witness at Nuremburg.

*Eva Braun is one of history's most famous nonentities. She has been dismissed as a racist, feathered-headed shop girl, yet sixty-two years after her death her name is still instantly recognizable. She left her convent school at the age of seventeen and met Hitler a few months later. She became his mistress before she was twenty. How did unsophisticated little Fraulein Braun, twenty-three years his junior, hold the most powerful man in Europe in an exclusive sexual relationship that lasted from 1932 until their joint suicide? Were they really lovers, and what were the background influences and psychological tensions of the middle-class Catholic girl from Munich who shared his intimate life? How can her ordinariness and apparent decency be reconciled with an unshakeable loyalty to the monster she loved? She left almost no personal material or documents but her private diary and photograph albums show that her life with Hitler, far from being a luxurious sinecure, caused her emotional torture. His chauffeur called her "the unhappiest woman in Germany." The Führer humiliated her in public while the top Nazis' wives, living in his privileged enclave on a Bavarian mountainside, despised her. Yet Albert Speer said: "She has been much maligned. She was very shy, modest. A man's woman: gay, gentle, and kind; incredibly undemanding . . . a restful sort of girl. And her love for Hitler---as she proved in the end---was beyond question." Eva loved the Führer, not for his power, nor because, thanks to him, she lived in luxury. His material gifts were nothing compared with the one thing she really wanted: his child. She remained invisible and unknown, a nonperson. They were never seen in public together and she never saw him alone except in the bedroom, yet their long relationship was a sort of marriage. Angela Lambert reveals a woman the world never knew until the last twenty-four hours of her life. In the small hours of April 29, 1945, as Allied troops raced to capture Berlin and the bunker below the Reichskanzlei where the defeated Nazi leaders were hiding, Eva Braun finally achieved her life's ambition by becoming Hitler's wife. Next day they both swallowed cyanide and died instantly. She was young, healthy, and thirty-three years old. Based on detailed new research, this is an authoritative biography, only the second life of Eva written in English. The Untold Story of Eva Braun*

***Inside the Third Reich  
I Was Hitler's Chauffeur  
Eva's Cousin  
Her Life and Times 1912-1945  
The History of the Reich Chancellery Group  
Ascent, 1889-1939***

The life of Eva Braun, the former mistress and later wife of Adolf Hitler, the infamous leader of Germany, is an enigma to most people. Was she seduced by his charm, or was she his willing accomplice? Of modest upbringing and limited schooling, she clawed herself up to the pinnacles of power and became, despite her Catholic upbringing and against the strong objections of her father, the mistress of the most powerful man in Europe. Yet, she had to stay out of the limelight, her existence only known to a small group of insiders. Her loyalty and love to Hitler were finally rewarded by an offer of marriage, albeit too late. The book expands on these and other important aspects of her life and sheds light on the inner workings of Hitler's court and his personal lifestyle; including Hitler's personal comments to Eva regarding preparations for traveling to the moon and about German atomic weapons.

A bracing meditation on the nature of evil and a moving evocation of the human heart, Siegfried is one of Harry Mulisch's most powerful novels. After a reading of his work, renowned Dutch author Rudolf Herter, who had recently commented in a television interview that it may be only through fiction that the uniquely evil figure of Adolf Hitler can be truly comprehended, is approached by an elderly couple. The pair reveal that as domestic servants in Hitler's Bavarian retreat in the waning years of the war, they were witness to the jealously guarded birth of Siegfried—the son of Hitler and Eva Braun. For more than fifty years they have kept silent about the child they once raised as their own. Only now and only to Herter are they willing to reveal their astonishing story.

A compulsively readable account of Hitler's last days, written by one of the first Americans to enter Hitler's bunker after the fall of Berlin

By early 1945, the destruction of the German Nazi State seems certain. The Allied forces, led by American generals George S. Patton and Dwight D. Eisenhower, are gaining control of Europe, leaving German leaders scrambling. Facing defeat, Adolf Hitler flees to a secret bunker with his new wife, Eva Braun, and his beloved dog, Blondi. It is there that all three would meet their end, thus ending the Third Reich and one of the darkest chapters of history. Hitler's Last Days is a gripping account of the death of one of the most reviled villains of the 20th century—a man whose regime of murder and terror haunts the world even today. Adapted from Bill O'Reilly's historical thriller Killing Patton, this book will have young readers—and grown-ups too—hooked on history. This thoroughly-researched and documented book can be worked into multiple aspects of the common core curriculum.

Six Remarkable Women and the Food That Tells Their Stories

The Memoir of Erich Kempka

Hitler

The Private Life of Adolf Hitler: the Intimate Notes and Diary of Eva Braun. Edited by Paul Tabori. [The Publisher's Preface Signed: Francis Aldor.].

Mrs. Adolf Hitler

Hitler and his Women

The Berkut

**In September 1945 the circumstances surrounding Hitler's**

death were dark and mysterious. Hugh Trevor-Roper, an intelligence officer, was given the task of uncovering the last few weeks of Hitler's life. His brilliant piece of detective work proved finally that Hitler had killed himself and also tells the story of the last days of the Thousand Year Reich in the Berlin Bunker.

A comprehensive portrait of Hitler's long-time mistress discusses the bourgeois existence she shared with him out of the public eye, her role as his trusted confidante, and their double suicide two days after their marriage.

Eva Braun Life With Hitler Vintage

Berchtesgaden, Germany, is a beautiful place, set among the gentle meadow-clad hills rising to the sheer heights of bare Alpine peaks. It is here where an elderly woman arrives and recollects her past—and her peripheral role in a chapter of world history. She walks along a beaten path, which has come into being because so many tourists have ventured this way . . . to see something that exists only in her memory. In the summer of 1944, twenty-year-old Marlene is thrilled when her older, more glamorous cousin, Eva Braun, Adolph Hitler's mistress, invites her to come to the Fuhrer's Bavarian mountain retreat. Against her father's wishes, Marlene accepts, and immediately sets forth to Berghof. There, while Hitler is away desperately trying to turn the tides of war, Marlene finds herself in a strange paradise, a world of opulence and imminent danger, of freedom and surveillance. The two women sneak off and skinny-dip in a nearby-lake, watch films in the Fuhrer's private cinema, and flirt with the SS officers at the dinner table—one of whom will become Marlene's first lover. Initially delighted by Eva's attentions, Marlene later tries to understand the elusive connection between her cousin and the man she loves. In quiet defiance, she begins to commit her own acts of subversion, which include listening to BBC radio broadcasts, forbidden by the Fuhrer. But a clandestine mission of mercy will force her to question her allegiance to both her cousin and her country—and to face the chilling reality that exists outside her sheltered world. Based on the true experiences of Eva Braun's cousin, Gertrude Weisker, who has shared her memories with Sibylle Knauss after more than fifty years of silence, Eva's Cousin is a novel that illuminates the banality of the domestic face of evil. It casts a special light on the profound questions of innocence and complicity

that still haunt much of the world today.

**Hitler's Last Day**

**With Hitler to the End**

**A Novel**

**Nazi Wives**

**The Memoirs of Adolf Hitler's Valet**

**Hitler at Home**

**The Bunker**

"A textured picture of Hitler's histrionic personality and his insane mission for glory, presaging the genocide to come in the cold-blooded obliteration of one young woman." — Publishers Weekly  
Hitler's Niece tells the story of the intense and disturbing relationship between Adolf Hitler and the daughter of his only half-sister, Angela, a drama that evolves against the backdrop of Hitler's rise to prominence and power from particularly inauspicious beginnings. The story follows Geli from her birth in Linz, Austria, through the years in Berchtesgaden and Munich, to her tragic death in 1932 in Hitler's apartment in Munich. Through the eyes of a favorite niece who has been all but lost to history, we see the frightening rise in prestige and political power of a vain, vulgar, sinister man who thrived on cruelty and hate and would stop at nothing to keep the horror of his inner life hidden from the world.

A Washington Post Notable Nonfiction Book of The Year One of NPR Fresh Air's "Books to Close Out a Chaotic 2017" NPR's Book Concierge Guide To the Year's Great Reads "How lucky for us readers that Shapiro has been listening so perceptively for decades to the language of food." —Maureen Corrigan, NPR Fresh Air Six "mouthwatering" (Eater.com) short takes on six famous women through the lens of food and cooking, probing how their attitudes toward food can offer surprising new insights into their lives, and our own. Everyone eats, and food touches on every aspect of our lives—social and cultural, personal and political. Yet most biographers pay little attention to people's attitudes toward food, as if the great and notable never bothered to think about what was on the plate in front of them. Once we ask how somebody relates to food, we find a whole world of different and provocative ways to understand her. Food stories can be as intimate and revealing as stories of love, work, or coming-of-age. Each of the six women in this entertaining group portrait was famous in her time, and most are still famous in ours; but until now, nobody has told their lives from the point of view of the kitchen and the table. What She Ate is a lively and unpredictable array of women; what they have in common with one another (and us) is a powerful relationship with food. They include Dorothy Wordsworth, whose food story transforms our picture of the life she shared with her famous poet brother; Rosa Lewis, the Edwardian-era Cockney caterer who cooked her way up the social ladder; Eleanor Roosevelt, First Lady and rigorous protector of the worst cook in White House history; Eva Braun, Hitler's mistress, who challenges our warm associations of food, family, and table; Barbara Pym, whose witty books upend a host of stereotypes about postwar British cuisine; and Helen Gurley Brown, the editor of Cosmopolitan, whose commitment to "having it all" meant having almost nothing on the plate except a supersized portion of diet gelatin.

Hitler was not a lonely, aloof dictator. Throughout his rise in the NSDAP, he gathered a

loyal circle around him, which later took on the features of a regular court, and was surrounded by people who celebrated, flattered and intrigued him. Who belonged to this inner circle around Hitler? What function did this court fulfill? And how did it influence the perception of history after 1945? Using previously unknown sources, Heike Görtemaker explores Hitler's private environment and shows how this inner circle made him who he was. Biographies of Hitler often concentrate on his obsession with self-image: "If you subtract what politics is about him, little or nothing remains," said Ian Kershaw, and Joachim Fest asserted: "He did not have a private life." For Alan Bullock the "Führer" was an "uprooted man without a home or family". Hitler's inner circle, the Berghof Society, was his private retreat. But the court was more than that. It provided him with the support he needed to be able to take on the role of "Führer" at all, while at the same time allowing him to use its members as political front men. Most of all, it represented a conspiratorial community whose lowest common denominator was anti-Semitism. In this book, Heike Görtemaker asks new questions about the truth behind Hitler's inner circle and, for the first time, also examines the "circle without leaders"; the networking of the inner circle after 1945.

Did Hitler shoot himself in the Führerbunker or did he slip past the Soviets and escape to South America? Countless documentaries, newspaper articles and internet pages written by conspiracy theorists have led the ongoing debate surrounding Hitler's last days. Historians have not yet managed to make a serious response. Until now. This book is the first attempt by an academic to return to the evidence of Hitler's suicide in order to scrutinise the most recent arguments of conspiracy theorists using scientific methods. Through analysis of recently declassified MI5 files, previously unpublished sketches of Hitler's bunker, personal accounts of intelligence officers along with stories of shoot-outs, plunder and secret agents, this scrupulously researched book takes on the doubters to tell the full story of how Hitler died.

Life With Hitler

Hitler's Niece

Minute by Minute

The Lost Life of Eva Braun

Hunting Hitler

The Memoirs of Hitler's Bodyguard

The Intimate Notes and Diary of Eva Braun

*The Peculiar Sex Life of Adolf Hitler* Chapter 1: Incest, violence, criminality & insanity Incestuous marriage; savage beatings; impotent as a heterosexual; guilty of indecent assault; sending his feces to the school principal; craving for a strong male; castration anxiety; the rest of Hitler's family; insane cousin gassed to death; Jewish relatives Chapter 2: Mother Fixation Mother's darling; Oedipus complex; seeing his parents having sex; lying to his mother; racked with guilt; love and tenderness; poem to his mother Chapter 3: August Kubizek Nocturnal excursions; first girl crush; mentally unbalanced; jealousy and arguments; young Hitler's sexuality; incest incarnate; Brokeback Mountain? Chapter 4: Reinhold Hanisch Dream factory; lover's quarrel; pederasty and theft; Jewish advisers; Hitler's unknown male companion in Munich Chapter 5: Ernst Schmidt WW1; glorious meaning of a male community; sexual bullying (or a small penis); guilty of

pederastic practices with an officer; in Munich with Schmidt; smear campaign  
Chapter 6: Landsberg Love Triangle  
Bisexual bodyguards; casual gay lovers; only one testicle; my splendid Maurice; sex with Rudolf Hess; Mein Kampf; increasing aspirations  
Chapter 7: "Brotherhood of Poofs"  
Sexual perversion records destroyed; openly gay; getting rid of Queen Ernst Roehm; whip in hand, Night of the Long Knives; new anti-gay laws; gay Nazis married off  
Chapter 8: Julius Schreck  
Rubber bludgeons; Schreck as doppelganger; car lovers; trysts at Hotel Bube; Hitler's fantasies come true; primitive and brutal; state funeral for Fuhrer's chauffeur and lover  
Chapter 9: Feminine characteristics  
Dr. Jekyll and Mrs. Hyde; weeping like a baby; submissive, feminine role; chewing the carpet; threats of suicide  
Chapter 10: Physical profile  
Height, weight and missing testicle; hypnotic eyes; vegetarian diet & general health; heart attack; Parkinson's disease  
Chapter 11: Addictions & obsessions  
Obsession with syphilis; blow-up sex dolls; bed compulsion; being attacked from behind; hypochondriac; insomniac; master of the syringe; junkie  
Chapter 12: The feminine masses  
Hitler's views on women; lashing himself into a frenzy; mother figures; royalty; fear of humiliation; Movie stars; Leni Riefenstahl and Jenny Jugo; sex shows; pornography & art; myth of the Aryan woman; fear of producing a cretin; underage Catholic girls; was Hitler a pedophile?  
Chapter 13: Dark desires  
Sadomasochist; Hitler's whip; urine and feces; coprophilia and undinism; degrading himself; back to his mother's womb  
Chapter 14: Suzi Liptauer  
Munich 1921; young maids and secretaries; attempted hanging; the actress Pola Negri; hush money and marriage; Hitler's internal struggle  
Chapter 15: Maria Reiter  
Horse whipped; woodland fairy; suicide attempt; sex with a minor; blackmail; sworn affidavit; one night of passion; sexual tastes too extreme  
Chapter 16: Geli Raubal  
Doomed angel; more and more obsessive; virtual confinement; sex with the chauffeur; sexual perversions; squatting over Hitler's face; pornographic drawings; sexual confession; in love with a Jew; final argument; Bushido; gunshot to the chest; was it suicide or Hitler's first murder?  
Chapter 17: Renate Mueller  
Masochistic gratifications; begging for violent sex; torture techniques; blacklisted; Jewish lover; Gestapo surveillance; addicted to morphine; confined in a sanatorium; jumped to her death  
Chapter 18: Unity Mitford  
Stalker; yearning for sex; anti-Semite; orgies with SA and SS men; propaganda coup; Hitler's arousal; necromancy; bullet in the brain; 9 years to die  
Chapter 19: Inge Ley  
Mezzo-soprano; turbulent marriage, constant pain; refuge in morphine; premature birth; bullet in the brain  
Chapter 20: Eva Braun  
Wasted glamor, Eva's despair, two suicide attempts, sex with other men, Fuhrer bunker Berlin, death by cyanide poisoning  
Chapter 21: Hitler's children  
One son and nine grandchildren

In this groundbreaking biography of Eva Braun, German historian Heike B. Görtemaker delves into the startlingly neglected historical truth about Adolf Hitler's mistress. More than just the vapid blonde of popular cliché, Eva Braun was a capricious but uncompromising, fiercely loyal companion to Hitler; theirs was a relationship that flew in the face of the Führer's proclamations that Germany was his

only bride. Görtemaker paints a portrait of Hitler and Braun's life together with unnerving quotidian detail—Braun chose the movies screened at their mountaintop retreat (propaganda, of course); he dreamed of retiring with her to Linz one day after relinquishing his leadership to a younger man—while weaving their personal relationship throughout the fabric of one of history's most devastating regimes. Though Braun gradually gained an unrivaled power within Hitler's inner circle, her identity was kept a secret during the Third Reich, until the final days of the war. Faithful to the end, Braun committed suicide with Hitler in 1945, two days after their marriage. Through exhaustive research, newly discovered documentation, and anecdotal accounts, Görtemaker has meticulously built a surprising portrait of Hitler's bourgeois existence outside of the public eye. Though Eva Braun had no role in Hitler's policies, she was never as banal as she was previously painted; she was privy to his thoughts, ruled life within his entourage, and held his trust. As horrifying as it is astonishing, Eva Braun will undoubtedly be referenced in all future accounts of this period.

A lost classic by beloved novelist Joseph Heywood that helped put the writer on the map, *THE BERKUT* begins at dusk as SS Colonel Gunter Brumm parachutes silently through the sulphuric haze in the smoldering ruins of Berlin, past the Soviet troops that encircle the skeleton that the city has become in April 1945. With the precision and skill that has marked his brilliant military career, Brumm has completed the first stage of a simple yet seemingly impossible mission: to evade the Allied forces swarming over Europe and to smuggle "Herr Wolf," the greatest war criminal of the twentieth century, to safety. Less than twenty-four hours later a special Russian team snakes its way into Berlin's city limits, headed for the Reich Chancellery. It is led by Vasily Petrov, "the Berkut"—named after the Russian eagles trained to hunt wolves, a man handpicked by Stalin himself for his ability to track down his quarry and driven by the knowledge that failure means certain death. *THE BERKUT* is a classic story of pursuit, of hunters and the hunted, that pits two elite teams against each other—both of them brave, resourceful, of great physical prowess and so fully motivated that only the winners will survive. Scores of other characters populate this engrossing thriller: priests, deserters, partisans, Nazis on the run, Swiss guides, Austrian refugees—as well as a larger-than-life OSS operative who is the only person among the hundreds of thousands of Allied troops in Europe who realizes that Herr Wolf is not only alive but on the verge of escaping justice. Joseph Heywood's novel is a story of enormous conviction and urgency, made even more compelling for being based on facts that have yet to be proven fiction.

Heinz Linge worked with Adolf Hitler for a ten-year period from 1935 until the Führer's death in the Berlin bunker in May 1945. He was one of the last to leave the bunker and was responsible for guarding the door while Hitler killed himself. During his years of service, Linge was responsible for all aspects of Hitler's household and was constantly by his side. He claims that only Eva Braun stood closer to

*Hitler over these years. Here, Linge recounts the daily routine in Hitler's household: his eating habits, his foibles, his preferences, his sense of humor, and his private life with Eva Braun. In fact, Linge believed Hitler's closest companion was his dog Blondi. After the war Linge said in an interview, "It was easier for him to sign a death warrant for an officer on the front than to swallow bad news about the health of his dog." Linge also charts the changes in Hitler's character during their time together and his fading health during the last years of the war. During his last days, Hitler's right eye began to hurt intensely and Linge was responsible for administering cocaine drops to kill the pain. In a number of instances—such as with the Stauffenberg bomb plot of July 1944—Linge gives an excellent eyewitness account of events. He also gives thumbnail profiles of the prominent members of Hitler's "court": Hess, Speer, Bormann and Ribbentrop amongst them. Though Linge held an SS rank, he claims not to have been a Nazi Party member. His profile of one of history's worst demons is not blindly uncritical, but it is nonetheless affectionate. The Hitler that emerges is a multi-faceted individual: unpredictable and demanding, but not of an otherwise unpleasant nature.*

*Siegfried*

*The Vanished Life of Eva Braun*

*Eva Braun*

*A Firsthand Account of Life with Hitler*

*The Last Days of Hitler*

*Hitler's Secret Life*

*Twelve Years a Mistress, Two Days a Wife*

Interviews with Hitler's intimates and with members of the Nazi inner circle reveal the story of Hitler's perverse relationships, sado-masochistic sexual behavior, sources of capitol, influences, and gradual debilitation

This is the most complete and best documented biography ever published of the woman who was Adolf Hitler's companion from 1933 until their marriage and suicide twelve years later in Berlin in April 1945. Lawyer, professor, and scholar Thomas Lundmark documents and discusses crucial facts he has discovered about Eva Braun which were not known to previous biographers, such as Eva's father's problems with alcohol, her parents' divorce, her refusals to help close relatives and children, her personal involvement in anti-Semitic pogroms, and her abuse of other people. This book also reveals and relates crucial facts about her medical condition hitherto unknown to biographers, including the fact that Eva suffered from recurring bouts of depression, likely triggered (or worsened) by her Mayer Rokitansky Syndrome, MRKH, a congenital under-development of her vagina and uterus. Brought now to light, these facts force us to re-assess Eva's relationship to Hitler and her unhappy position in Adolf Hitler's gilded cage.

After being seriously wounded in the 1939 Polish campaign, Rochus Misch was invited to join Hitler's SS-bodyguard. There he served until the war's end as Hitler's bodyguard, courier, orderly and finally as Chief of Communications. On the Berghof terrace he watched Eva Braun organize parties; observed Heinrich Himmler and Albert Speer; and monitored telephone conversations from Berlin to the East Prussian FHQ on 20 July 1944 after the attempt on Hitler's life. Towards the end Misch was drawn into the Fhrerbunker with the last of the 'faithful'. As defeat approached, he remained in charge of the bunker switchboard as his duty required, even after Hitler committed suicide. Misch knew Hitler as the private man and his position was

one of unconditional loyalty. His memoirs offer an intimate view of life in close attendance to Hitler and of the endless hours deep inside the bunker; and provide new insights into military events such as Hitler's initial feelings that the 6th Army should pull out of Stalingrad. Shortly before he died Misch wrote a new introduction for this first-ever English-language edition. The book also contains new introduction by Roger Moorhouse.

Adolf Hitler - a ranting, evil demagogue whose insane ambitions and beliefs took the world to the brink of extinction and caused the deaths of millions. And yet there was another side to the Fuhrer, one that was rarely seen and even now remains unknown by most people. It was a softer side, a gentler side that, in the main, came out only in his dealings with the women in his life. With his secretaries and other female staff he was caring and considerate - almost without exception they have recorded that he was an employer of compassion and understanding, someone who was really interested in their lives. Eva Braun is a well-known figure but she was not alone in her role as the Fuhrer 's lover. Dozens of women preceded her, people like Mitzi Reiter, Henny Hoffmann and his own niece Geli Raubal. To them and the many more who spent time alone with him, Hitler was the ultimate romantic, someone to love and in return be loved back. Hitler was adored by the women of Germany. They flocked in their thousands to see him, to hear him speak. In their eyes he could do no wrong. They might never meet him but they could look, they could listen - and they could fantasize about a future that would never happen. Without the support of women, their help and guidance, Hitler might never have risen to power. In the wild postwar days the Society women of Munich gave him shelter and encouragement. They gave him space and time to climb the slippery political ladder to the top. At the pinnacle of the German state, he used and abused their adulation and support to maintain his position. Women had taught him how to behave, how to be accepted by polite society. Women had funded his Nazi Party and helped give him an ideology to underpin his movement. He accepted that as his right but ultimately he repaid them by leading the country to the edge of destruction. This book, Hitler and His Women, looks at all of the women in Hitler 's life, his lovers and his passing flings. From his mother and sisters to a teenage infatuation with a girl he never actually met, from actresses like Zara Leander to English aristocrat Unity Mitford, it examines the relationships and how they affected the course of history. The findings may well astound you.

The Case Against Conspiracy

The Private Life of Adolf Hitler

Life with Hitler

Adolf Hitler and Eva Braun

Hitler's Court

A Biography

Eva Braun: Hitler's Mistress

Eva Braun, daughter of a respectable German bourgeois family, was convent educated. Yet she grew up to become the mistress of Adolf Hitler and went with him to her death in the holocaust of Berlin during the waning days of World War II. The product of a happy but uneventful childhood in middle-class Munich, Eva went to work for photographer Heinrich Hoffmann after her schooling was completed. It was at Hoffmann's that she met the rising National Socialist politician, Adolf Hitler. Though considerably older than the nubile Eva, he exerted a strong fascination over her. A stormy courtship ensued, during which Eva attempted suicide.

Eventually she became mistress to the man who would soon rule Germany. From this point on, she remained Hitler's faithful and dedicated companion for seventeen years during which time her paramour was destined to shake the very foundations of western civilization. Eva Braun was Hitler's official hostess at Berchtesgaden and was present at most of the important gatherings where the fate of nations was being decided and where history was being made. When the mighty edifice of the Third Reich was collapsing in ruin under the pounding of the Allies, she joined her doomed lover in Berlin where he finally made her his wife and they perished together during the Russian assault. Eva Braun had a uniquely intimate view of Adolf Hitler and Nazi Germany, and no history of those days is complete without her. The book contains numerous photographs of Hitler and his entourage and utilizes material taken from Eva Braun's unpublished scrapbooks and letters.

Based on extensive research and supported by a factual armature, this novel of evil takes the reader into the hidden erotic life of Hitler and--as she was affectionately nicknamed--Fraulein Effie. Beyond most nonfiction accounts of that place and period, the author has created a personal life for Hitler and his sycophants to give the reader the look and feel of what it must have been like to dwell in such perdition

A firsthand account of Adolf Hitler from the woman who worked at his side, stayed with him in the bunker, and was featured in the film *Downfall*. In 1942 Germany, Gertraud "Traudl" Junge was a young woman with dreams of becoming a ballerina when she was offered the chance of a lifetime. At the age of twenty-two, she became private secretary to Adolf Hitler and served him for two and a half years, right up to the very end. Junge observed the intimate workings of Hitler's administration: She typed his correspondence and speeches—including Hitler's public and private last will and testament—and ate her meals and spent evenings with him. She was close enough to hear the bomb intended to assassinate Hitler in the Wolf's Lair—and to smell the bitter almond odor of Eva Braun's cyanide pill in Hitler's bunker and ultimate tomb. In this intimate, detailed, and chilling memoir, Junge explains what it was like to spend everyday life with a human monster.

In a compelling historical novel based on the real-life

memories of Eva Braun's cousin, twenty-year-old Marlene is delighted when her glamorous, older cousin, Eva Braun, Adolf Hitler's mistress, invites her to the Führer's Bavarian mountain retreat, where, in 1944, Marlene finds herself in an opulent and dangerous world that forces her to confront the chilling reality of her life. Reader's Guide available.

Reprint.

The Diary of Eva Braun The Woman who Lived and Died with Hitler

The Eva Braun Photograph Albums 1912-45

Memoirs

New Scientific Evidence That Hitler Escaped Nazi Germany

***A look at Adolf Hitler's residences and their role in constructing and promoting the dictator's private persona both within Germany and abroad. Adolf Hitler's makeover from rabble-rouser to statesman coincided with a series of dramatic home renovations he undertook during the mid-1930s. This provocative book exposes the dictator's preoccupation with his private persona, which was shaped by the aesthetic and ideological management of his domestic architecture. Hitler's bachelor life stirred rumors, and the Nazi regime relied on the dictator's three dwellings—the Old Chancellery in Berlin, his apartment in Munich, and the Berghof, his mountain home on the Obersalzberg—to foster the myth of the Führer as a morally upstanding and refined man. Author Despina Stratigakos also reveals the previously untold story of Hitler's interior designer, Gerdy Troost, through newly discovered archival sources. At the height of the Third Reich, media outlets around the world showcased Hitler's homes to audiences eager for behind-the-scenes stories. After the war, fascination with Hitler's domestic life continued as soldiers and journalists searched his dwellings for insights into his psychology. The book's rich illustrations, many previously unpublished, offer readers a rare glimpse into the decisions involved in the making of Hitler's homes and into the sheer power of the propaganda that influenced how the world saw him. "Inarguably the powder-keg title of the year."—Mitchell Owen, Architectural Digest "A fascinating read, which reminds us that in Nazi Germany the architectural and the political can never be disentangled. Like his own confected image, Hitler's buildings cannot be divorced from their odious political hinterland."—Roger Moorhouse, Times***

***Hitler's personal secretary reveals the experience of day-to-day life beside one of history's true monsters.***

***This is the most authoritative biography of Eva Braun ever written. The author, who holds doctorates from UC Berkeley and the***

***University of Bonn, began researching the life and times of Eva Braun in 1997, when he became the first American to be appointed to a professorship in law at a German university. The author's ability to conduct research and to interview witnesses in both English and German enabled him to discover astonishing new facts about Eva Braun, including her personal involvement in anti-Semitic pogroms and the startling revelation that Eva Braun suffered from Mayer Rokitansky Syndrome or "MRKH," the congenital absence of a functioning vagina and uterus. Written with a popular audience in mind, the present biography omits citations to authority in order to keep the book under 400 pages in length. Those who want a full academic treatment will be pleased to learn that the author's 600-page biography, replete with over 2,000 footnotes, will be published in early 2012. The author is also planning to publish an abridged version of "The Untold Story of Eva Braun" which omits much of the background information on politics and the war.***