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“Delinsky proves once again why she's a perennial bestseller with this thought-provoking tale of three smart, popular teenage girls who make a pact to become pregnant and raise their babies together . . . Timely, fresh, and true-to-life, this novel explores multiple layers of motherhood and tackles tough questions.”

*-- Publishers Weekly*

“An absorbing story that will appeal to the author’s substantial fan base.”

*-- Booklist*

“Emotionally intelligent... Delinsky has a knack for exploring the battlefields of contemporary life.

Three high-school seniors - the top girls, academically, athletically and socially -- form a pact to become pregnant in the Maine coastal village of Zaganack. Boasting old roots and rigid values, this company town for an upscale retailer is scandalized and all three [mothers] are devastated by their daughter’s incomprehensible decision. At PC Wool, a division of the posh retailer that they created and run together, [the women] spend Saturdays dyeing yarn and trying to figure out why their girls traded in bright futures for teenage motherhood. Mother-daughter bonding, knitting and a ripped-from-the-headlines plot from Delinsky offers her fans what they want—high drama and realism.”

*-- Kirkus Reviews*

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“Provocative . . . Delinsky is interested in how the lies we tell for love can destroy us instead – and she lays out this particular deception so painstakingly that even the most honest reader will sympathize.”

*-- People*

“In her new family drama, Barbara Delinsky examines the roles people unconsciously play in families. This is fast-paced, commercial entertainment.”

*-- USA Today*

“One of her best . . . Delinsky is a first-rate storyteller who creates believable, sympathetic characters who seem as familiar as your neighbors.”

*-- Boston Globe*

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# NOT MY DAUGHTER

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

# BARBARA DELINSKY

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Anita Shreve. Jacquelyn Mitchard. Alice Hoffman. Elinor Lipman. Jodi Picoult. These authors are master storytellers whose novels are beloved for their thought-provoking plots, richly drawn characters, and emotional truths. *New York Times* bestselling author Barbara Delinsky continues to prove that she belongs in this fine company with **NOT MY DAUGHTER (Doubleday; 1/5/2010; \$24.95)**, her new emotionally-charged novel ripped from the headlines (loosely based on the infamous Gloucester, MA pregnancy pact), that begs the central question: What does it take to be a good mother?

When Susan Tate's seventeen-year-old daughter, Lily, announces she is pregnant, Susan is stunned. A single mother, she has struggled to do everything right, and her daughter has always been responsible, done well at school, and been happily active in sports and activities. She sees the pregnancy as an unimaginable tragedy for both Lily and herself. When two more high school juniors – who happen to be Lily's best friends – announce their pregnancies, the town turns to talk of a pregnancy pact.

As fingers start pointing, the most ardent criticism is directed at Susan. As principal of the high school, she has always been viewed as a role model of hard work and core values. Now her detractors accuse her of being a bad mother, perhaps not worthy of the job of shepherding impressionable students. Susan struggles with the implications of Lily's pregnancy, as her job, financial independence and long-fought-for dreams are all at risk.

The emotional ties between mothers and daughters are stretched to breaking in this emotionally wrenching story of love and forgiveness. With **NOT MY DAUGHTER**, Barbara Delinsky once again gives us a powerful novel that challenges our notions of parenting and the complex relationships between mothers and daughters.

**ABOUT THE AUTHOR:** Barbara Delinsky is a *New York Times* bestselling author with more than thirty million copies of her books in print. She lives with her family in New England.

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