



Lady of the Snakes, Rachel Pastan, Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Trade & Reference Publishers, 2009, 0156035057, 9780156035057, 320 pages. Jane Levitsky is a bright light in the field of nineteenth-century Russian literature, making her name as an expert on the novels of Grigory Karkov and the diaries of his wife, the long-suffering Masha Karkova. Jane is also wife to sweet, reasonable Billy and mother to lovable (if demanding) Maisie, roles she's finding surprisingly challenging to juggle along with her ambitions. But when Jane uncovers evidence that Masha may have been more than muse and helpmeet to her famous husband, she seizes her ticket to academic superstardom. Little does she know that she has set in motion a chain of events that will come perilously close to unraveling both her marriage and her career. "Lady of the Snakes" will be instantly familiar--and instantly unforgettable--to any woman who has ever aspired to have it all..

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