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From bestselling and award-winning author Beth Wiseman comes the latest addition to her popular Surf's Up series. Each Surf's Up novella takes the reader to a beach locale, weaving romance and adventure into a soul-soothing journey of hope. Carianna's story is a heartwarming tale which follows one woman's journey as she navigates the many types of love God gifts to us.

"People tell me that I'm special. I don't see it that way. I'm just different."

~ Carianna Marie Sparks

Carianna isn't like other twenty-six-year-old women. She's never been on a date, never experienced the euphoria of a first kiss, and certainly never been in love. Can a man's heart speak to hers in a way that she can understand? And if so, will any man believe that she sings with the angels and has tea with God? Will they see the star dust twinkling in her eyes or hear the secret whispers of the ocean in a sea shell?

Dominic is grieving the death of his mother, so he welcomes a job opportunity that takes him to a beach community near the Texas coast. But what begins as a distraction and change of scenery shifts into a healing journey filled with discovery. Amidst his heartache, Dominic finds love in a beautiful and unexpected way when he meets Carianna—the shell collector's daughter.

But can Dominic convince Carianna's father to lift his protective wings and allow Carianna to soar into the life that God meant for her? And will Carianna hear Dominic's heart speaking to hers in a way that she understands?

Other books in this series: A Tide Worth Turning, Message In A Bottle, and Christmas by the Sea.

The Shell Collector's Daughter Details

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Brian Davis says

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The grace and purity of Carianna makes her someone you wish you knew. And Dominic's urge to shelter and protect is understandable. The journey to live is a warm and uplifting read.

Kelly says

Wow! Another masterpiece by one of my favorite authors. What a good lesson this is about hearing the voice of God, knowing which is His and which is not. It's a little bit different, but still very good!

Karla says

Everyone who knows me well, realises that Beth Wiseman is one of my all time favorite authors!! Her unique talent of drawing the reader into the story and becoming part of it, is evident in every one of her creations, this one being no exception. This novella is number four in the "Surfs Up" Series. Each of these novellas carry a special message that lives on in your thoughts, long after completing the book.

The description of the setting, a beautiful beach, drew me immediately. It is not a place that I go often but when I do, I always think of the majesty of God. His ability to create this little bit of heaven is amazing! As I read the story, I was able to sit on the beach with the main character, Carianna, studying the seashells and finding unique and valuable treasures on her doorstep. The realistic and detailed description of the characters had me involved in the plot from beginning to end. Carianna's ability to talk to God and hear that still, quiet voice had me deep in thought about my own life. Do I take the time I need, to hear Him when He speaks?? Do I see the good in others as she did?? What a great example of Christian, she is!

The plot was very different from most stories. It was one of a sweet romance as well as showing us how one can grow one's faith. This delightful romance develops, as Domenic embraces the faith of Carianna.

What a marvellous and different read!! Light, however, thought provoking!!!

Ok, Beth!! I dare you to outdo this creation!! This was outstanding!!

This ebook was received as a gift. The opinions and thoughts expressed are honest and my own.

Cathy Cermele says

What a unique and lovely story. I didn't quite understand just how lovely it would be at first because it begins with Carianna having tea and communicating with God. She seemed younger than 26 years old. I started to understand her when she's given a very important and life changing message from Him. Carianna is a wonderful character with a pure heart and I could understand why she is loved by her family and friends. After reading just a few pages, I loved her, too.

The relationships with Dominic, her father and Nanny are fantastic, but the most important and meaningful relationship she has is with God and in my view, that's exactly as it should be.

This novella is the perfect beach read with the beautiful setting.

I received a complimentary copy of The Shell Collectors Daughter from the author and have given my honest opinion.

Patty Hearts Dave says

I read the excerpt of this story and couldn't wait to read it fully. Beth took a slightly different approach from the other Surf's Up novellas with the way she wrote the The Shell Collector's Daughter. I was intrigued by Carianna's personality and quirkiness. The further on I read, I realized what Beth was doing. This is not a typical romance but it is interesting and enjoyable, especially if you look beyond the actual storyline.

I enjoyed the beach setting in The Shell Collector's Daughter. It was also good reading about the love each of us receive when we are a child of God, like Carianna. I was provided a complimentary review copy of this book. I was not required to write a positive review. The opinions I have expressed are my own. I am disclosing this in accordance with the Federal Trade Commission's 16 CFR, Part 255.

Anne Campbell says

This was a sweet inspirational romance situated on Mustang Island in the Gulf Coast off Texas, enjoyable and lighthearted.

Carianna is a simple soul--not to be confused with idiocy. No, maybe way innocent, but not stupid. Maybe because she is so trusting and friendly, everyone on Mustang Island and nearby San Jose Island knows her and would have her back if there were ever a problem. At least most of the time.

Dominic is a professional photographer out to take pictures of the best sea shell hunting places. He encounters Carianna on Jan Jose Island and is amazed by her beauty and naivety. She actually believes everyone is good and that she has tea with God every Thursday. Yet he's irresistibly drawn to her, and he comes with her to Mustang Island to meet her dying father.

Carianna's naivety nearly gets her into an ugly place, and Dominic finds himself being her protector. How can he leave her there? Available from Amazon and Barnes and Noble.

I received a free copy of this from the author in return for an honest review.

Sharon M. Turner says

Sweet story!

Faith is a wonderful thing. When a reporter comes to the islands on the Texas coast he meets a gentle devout young woman that seemed to be perfect for him. Her faith was complete and even when evil showed its ugly face she kept her faith in goodness. Gentle short story.

Susan K says

Romance, clean

This was a bit too far out there for me. The h didn't feel 'real' at all, a bit too unbelievable in how it was presented. Didn't have a reason to really 'believe' or be 'convinced'. Probably will not read anything else by this author.

CarolynB says

This is quite different from just about any other book I've ever read. Carianna is a very naive person, in a good sort of way. She has tea with God every Thursday. She expects only good things in other people. She expects angels to exist on her level. She's unique. This is the story of a very special relationship.

Leah says

This was such a sweet story. It's also a quick read. The ending was what I was hoping for--happy. The main characters were wonderful, especially Carianna. Also, the settings, Mustang Island, TX and San Jose Island, TX, sounded beautiful. It was easy to picture each location.

Kristi says

A woman who has tea with God every Thursday and remembers being born? Sounds a bit far-fetched right? Beth Wiseman manages to make this character real and one that readers will soon want to protect and cheer for.

The storyline of this novella was a bit unusual compared to my usual reads but I was soon engrossed in the story of Carianna and Dominic. I found their story to be happy and sad at the same time. Nanny brought some humor to the story to lighten up the sadness which was nice.

This novella proves that Beth Wiseman is a master at storytelling. The story isn't too short or too long but just right. I didn't feel like there should have been less or more and I wasn't left wanting more. Everything

that needed to happen to satisfy me as a reader happened in a way that seemed natural.

If you are looking for a story that's a bit different but uplifting then check out this story from Beth. You won't be disappointed.

I received a free copy of this book from the author and was not required to write a review. All opinions are mine.

Kerri says

This was an unusual story that grabbed my attention from the beginning. The prologue was confusing to start with, but it pans out in the middle of the story. I loved the characters and wished the story could have continued. I love how a relationship with God is forefront in the story. It was encouraging and inspiring for med to go deeper with my own relationship with Christ. I highly recommend this to anyone that is feeling complacent in their Christian walk. I received a free copy of this book. I voluntarily leave this honest review.

Rita says

A nice one afternoon/evening read.

Jessica Baker (A Baker's Perspective) says

I have enjoyed all the Surf's Up novellas so far and this one was no exception. It was such an interesting and different storyline. I loved that Carianna had tea with God. What a wonderful example of a great relationship with our Lord. The ability to hear Him talk to us, guide us, and know when he's offering protection. I found myself wanting to strengthen my own relationship with Him before it was over.

I also liked the fact that she saved herself for the one chosen by God for her. What a great example to our young people today! I also enjoyed the cute storyline. Granny was my favorite character, and I found myself laughing at her attempts to scare Dominic. And then there's Dominic. I feel like he represented most Christians today. Have some kind of relationship with the Lord, but could certainly improve on that, as well as his struggle to know which voice to listen to.

I felt this story had great themes if you took the tiYme to look, and was easily able to read in one sitting. Read it for fun, or read it for the message. Either way I think you'll enjoy! I received a complimentary copy of this book. I was not required to write a favorable review. All thoughts and opinions are my own.