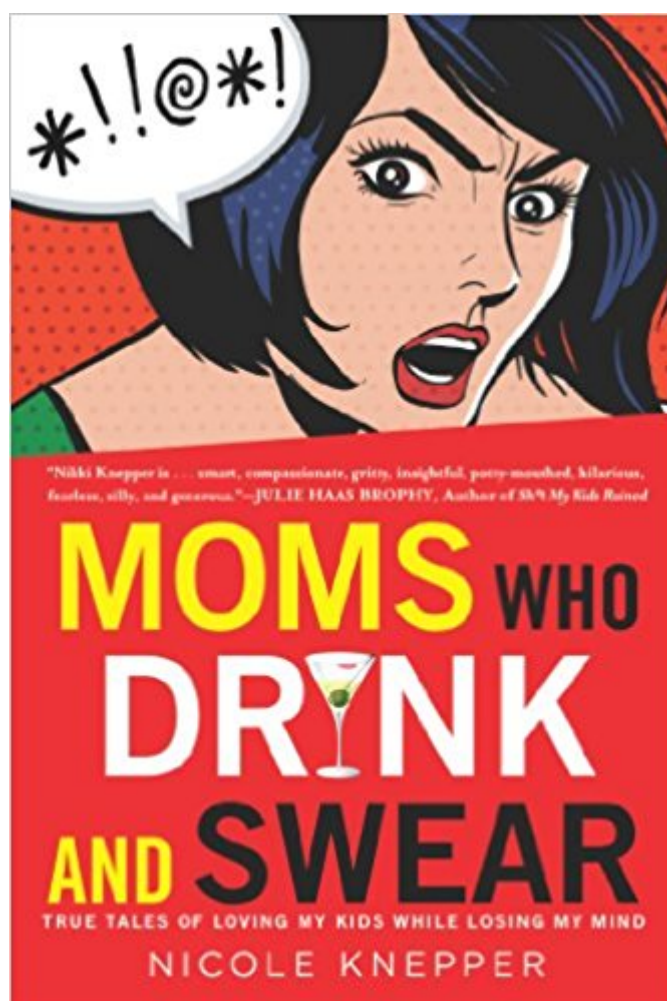


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# Moms Who Drink And Swear: True Tales Of Loving My Kids While Losing My Mind



## Synopsis

If you feel like your kids are killing you, you've come to the right place. Attention all potty-mouthed, cheap-wine-drinking mothers: Prepare to meet your match. Any bad thought you've had about your kids, Nicole Knepper has had worse. Much worse. It's not that she doesn't love her kids. It's that she understands what a mind-f\*% it can be to try to civilize those wild little beasts. Based on her hugely popular Facebook page, "Moms Who Drink and Swear," this book reveals why family dinners are like herpes, how to avoid smashing toys that are being fought over, and the joy of hearing that your son has murdered his imaginary friend. As Nicole rants and raves about caring for children (without crushing their souls), family togetherness (without too many tears), the saving grace of girlfriends (and wine), and love and marriage (and all the baggage that goes with them), she gets to the heart of what every exasperated mom is thinking, just much funnier. Å Å

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Raves for Nicole Knepper Å Å –Å“Nikki has a way of connecting and resonating with moms that is almost magical and pretty much guarantees a bestselling book. Å Å –Å•Å Å –Å •Jill Smokler, author of Scary Mommy Å Å –Å“Nikki Knepper is one of a kind. She Å Å –Å„çs a smart, compassionate, gritty, insightful, potty-mouthed, hilarious, fearless, silly, and generous spirit every bit deserving of the enormous online platform she Å Å –Å„çs grown. I Å Å –Å„çm a proud fan of Moms Who Drink and Swear, and I can Å Å –Å„çt wait to read what Å Å –Å„çs next! Å Å –Å•Å Å –Å •Julie Haas Brophy, author of Sh\*t My Kids Ruined: An Å Å –Å œZ Celebration of Kid-Destruction Å Å –Å“As

a mom who despises mommy blogs, discovering Nicole Knepper's writing was almost as sweet as the first time my son let me use the bathroom without him. With her biting sense of humor, Nicole has struck a chord not just with parents, but with anyone interested in answering life's biggest question, "What the fuck?" She's all at once insightful, touching, and hilarious.

•Natalie Slater, author of *Bake and Destroy*

"I had this idea in my head about what mommy and daddy bloggers were all about posts about how wonderful raising children and life with little ones and how every day of parenting was a magical gift, like a glitter-filled fart from a baby unicorn. I wanted nothing to do with those lies. Then I found Nikki and the Moms Who Drink and Swear blog. She is honest about raising kids, being an adult child now in charge of children, and everything that comes with the parenting gig. Nikki is the parent, and writer, I want to be. Plus she smells nice. Not as nice as glittery unicorn farts, but nice.

•Chris Illuminati, author of *A\*\*holeology: The Cheat Sheet*

"Nicole Knepper has that rare combination of laugh-out-loud humor and genuine intelligence that makes her writing a go-to for parents who need to feel like someone 'gets them.' She invites everyone into the crazy club of parenthood, promising to reassure stressed-out parents that their fears are normal, while allowing them to laugh at their secret thoughts. It is hard to be sensitive and hilarious at the same time, but Nicole truly is both.

•Carrie Goldman, author of *Bullied: What Every Parent, Teacher and Kid Needs to Know About Ending the Cycle of Fear*

"If Facebook existed when Erma Bombeck was alive and writing bestsellers, she would be Nikki Knepper. Maybe with less drinking and fewer f-bombs.

•Bill Adey, VP Digital Media, Chicago Tribune Media Group

Nicole Knepper is a Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor in the fields of substance abuse, trauma, dual diagnosis and autism spectrum disorders and the mom to two. In addition to running her Facebook page, "Moms Who Drink and Swear," she blogs for The Chicago Tribune and works to spread awareness about special needs.

Well, thanks for the email encouraging me to rate my own book. I love my book. It's a love story about my family and friends. My mom thinks it's the best book ever written and she has zero bias, right?

First, I was dying about getting computer help from the husband. OMG! You're saying out loud the things that I only think in my brain. It was nice to receive some validation (I swear, I drink, I have to

get away from you all) So nice to know there are other mothers doing their best with what they have (and sometimes want to lose it). Children are amazingly, universally stupid, infuriating and fricking adorable - it was fun to read that I'm not the only parent whose offspring installed the buttons they so love to push.

I bought this as a daily deal for \$1.99, and I'm glad I didn't pay more. I really like the author's website and social media feeds, so I naturally thought I would love the book. However, the writing is very disjointed and hard to follow. Also, the humor that I enjoy in smaller doses was grating in such a large quantity. Overall, I would recommend sticking to the website and skipping the book.

I think the author has just learned the anatomical names for certain body parts and likes to brandish them about for shock effect. I stopped reading it very early in the book when I realized where she was going with her book...nowhere.

This is the best non-fiction book about being a mom that I have ever read. I was laughing out loud from the the first page on. Aside from making me laugh, this book also made me feel less guilty about the days I'm not Supermom. I feel less alone, like the author was reading my mind and addressing my fears and worries about motherhood. This is a must-read for all moms who can admit they are not perfect.

I have a 3 year old. My wife and I love her. She is our whole world. The reason for our existence...yada yada you get the idea. We love the kid. You know the deal. But there are days when I am honestly shocked that I come home from work and find both my wife and my daughter are still alive. Sometimes my wife is in perfect physical health but is barely clinging to her last strand of sanity. It's for those days that I bought her this book, hoping it would help her realize that she isn't the only mom who has had the internal dialog of "You can't actually move to France and start a new life as a childless woman. You'd probably miss the kid after a few weeks. Plus you don't speak French." Sure enough this book hit just the nerve it was aimed at. My wife read this book and laughed so hard I could barely hear myself get frustrated with my daughter throwing a temper tantrum during bathtime. (I put bubbles in her tub thinking that because she loved bubbles for each of the last 700 baths that she wouldn't scream bloody murder over having bubble tonight. What a presumptuous fool I was.) Anyway the delightful sound of my wife laughing at the stories in this book from the next room nearly drowned out the "Great Bubble Battle of 2014". That's how much my wife

enjoyed this. If you are one of those Donna Reed moms whose kids are perfect little angels 100% of the time who always eat their vegetables and never fuss about not being able to wear their favorite flannel footie pajamas in the middle of August....go read something else. If you are a normal person who loves your kids but longs for that 20 minutes a day where you can find a little bit of peace and quite, read this book. Know that you aren't alone.

Hilarious account of modern family life from mom's point of view

I've followed Nicole's blog for a long time, and I love, love, love the way she tells it like it is. So when the book came out, I had to get it immediately, and the timing worked out perfectly with a girls weekend with four of my best mom friends. Imagine five 40-something women, sharing a suite in a fancy hotel, drinking wine and getting ready to go out. And taking turns reading story after story by Nicole out loud to each other. Tears, I'm telling you, rolling down our faces. This book is highly relatable, wonderfully entertaining and also really well written. If you need a review to tell you to buy it, then consider yourself told. Buy it. You won't be sorry.

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