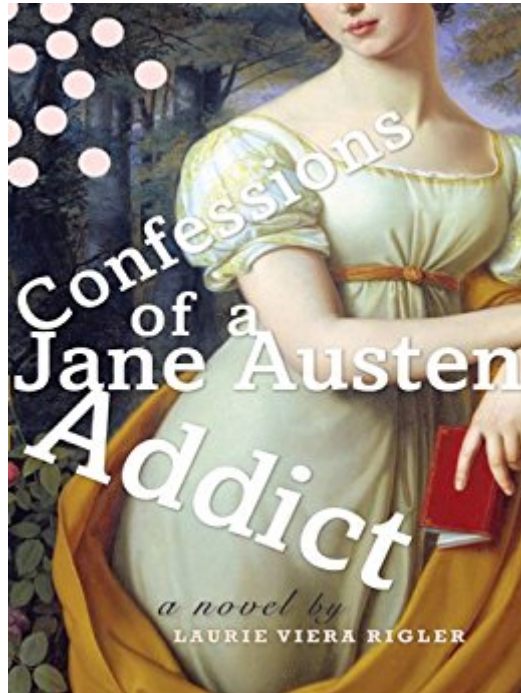




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# Confessions Of A Jane Austen Addict



## Synopsis

**NATIONAL BESTSELLER** After nursing a broken engagement with Jane Austen novels and Absolut, Courtney Stone wakes up and finds herself not in her Los Angeles bedroom or even in her own body, but inside the bedchamber of a woman in Regency England. Who but an Austen addict like herself could concoct such a fantasy? Not only is Courtney stuck in another woman's life, she is forced to pretend she actually is that woman; and despite knowing nothing about her, she manages to fool even the most astute observer. But not even her level of Austen mania has prepared Courtney for the chamber pots and filthy coaching inns of nineteenth-century England, let alone the realities of being a single woman who must fend off suffocating chaperones, condom-less seducers, and marriages of convenience. This looking-glass Austen world is not without its charms, however. There are journeys to Bath and London, balls in the Assembly Rooms, and the enigmatic Mr. Edgeworth, who may not be a familiar species of philanderer after all. But when Courtney's borrowed brain serves up memories that are not her own, the ultimate identity crisis ensues. Will she ever get her real life back, and does she even want to?

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## Customer Reviews

I read the sequel first, and gave it 5 stars. Because I'm very much a Regency personality making my way through a 21st century life. I could identify with the protagonist learning to "pass" and then thrive in a culture not her own. So perhaps the many reviewers who would give the first book 5 stars and the second one 3 stars felt the other way when reading it; they were 21st century readers trying to imagine how they would have dealt in Jane Austen's world. And the ones who gave those reviews probably imagine they could have managed things better than that protagonist. I enjoyed reading this series for what it taught me about my own attitudes--and that outcome was a total surprise. I'd just wanted entertainment and got enlightenment.

I have only recently been re-introduced to Jane Austen, her writing and her life. Soon after, I discovered this book and ordered it right away. I've had this book for months now but just had not gotten around to starting it, until last week. I finally had the opportunity and once I started, I didn't want to put it down! Of course, I have little time to read so it took longer to finish than it should have but I've found myself making time to read, which I haven't done in a very long time. I absolutely loved reading this book, which was inspired by the writings of Jane Austen and included many references to Miss Austen's books and characters. So not only did this book draw me in with its unique story twists, but it renewed my love of reading. Cannot wait to read the "sequel"...going to order it right now!

Great story development - love the way she explained the story line. Unbelievable idea but the author did an excellent job at bringing all the elements of the story together and also preparing the stage for book 2, which was also very well done. Loved the appearance of Jane Austen herself. If you love Jane Austen or time travel stories, this is a fun combination of both.

Read it before. Several times. Absolutely NEEDED to add it to my Kindle Library!

I absolutely loved this book. If I could give it 7 stars I would. It's my favorite Jane Austen related book I've ever read. It's like a behind the scenes view into regency England with a nice romance story mixed in.

I read every Austenesque book published and this provocative title caught my attention immediately. I was hesitant about the premise of a 21st century LA woman waking up in the body of a Regency era lady... and not knowing how she got there nor how to get back to her own modern

life. But I jumped in head first and quickly became immersed in Jane/Courtney's thoughts and musings of what she is experiencing. I found myself liking all the characters very much and wanting our heroine to be able to remain in 1813. And by the end of it, I so wanted her to fall-in love with the lead male despite his presumed character flaw. THE ONLY REASON I DIDNOT GIVE THIS 5 STARS was the major scene at the end left me with a lot of questions but! am relieved to report there is a sequel coming to compliment this bewitching novel. It was an engaging book -- with excellent historical research; the cultural and every day details answered many of my questions regarding chamber pots, daily hygiene and transportation in an amusing style; it is obvious that Laurie Viera Rigler has done much research on the regency time and social norms. Many LOL comments and scenes, too. This is a keeper!PS-- Recently (2/08) I bought the audio book and have so enjoyed listening to it while driving about -- Orlagh Cassidy (the narrator) is amazing with her spot on accents and engaging reading. Quite the delight!

Thought this book was okay, got a little bored by the character after a while, but still finished it.

Hilarious book which made me laugh out loud several times, loved it! The book arrived in excellent condition, thank you!

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