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**HOW FAR WOULD YOU BE WILLING TO GO FOR LOVE? A
CAREER CHANGE? A CROSS-COUNTRY MOVE? RAISING
ANOTHER WOMAN’S KIDS?**

THE PACKAGE DEAL
**MY (NOT-SO) GLAMOROUS TRANSITION FROM
SINGLE GAL TO INSTANT MOM**
by
Izzy Rose

“Here’s to Izzy Rose and *The Package Deal*: clearly, she’s turning into not only a Fairly Good Mother (the most any of us can really hope for) but even more important a Fine Southerner as well! Her ‘jump-on-off-that-cliff’ bravery and her ‘might-as-well-laugh’ attitude are all the proof I need.”

—**Jill Conner Browne, THE Sweet Potato Queen**

“*The Package Deal* is a wonderful read. Not only is it wickedly funny, Izzy Rose’s memoir contains great wisdom about how to embrace the unexpected and remake your life. You don’t need to be a stepmom, or even a mom, to enjoy this fabulous book.”

—**Stacie Cockrell, Cathy O’Neill, and Julia Stone, authors of
*Babyproofing Your Marriage***

In today’s version of *Sex and the City*, Mr. Big would have kids, and Carrie Bradshaw would look and sound a lot like Izzy Rose, a hilarious and chic new stepmother trying to come to terms with “the package deal.” On any given day, 1,300 women agree to join the ranks of the 15 million and counting stepmothers currently living in the United States, and **THE PACKAGE DEAL: My (Not-So) Glamorous Transition from Single Gal to Instant Mom** (A Three Rivers Press Original/ May 5, 2009) chronicles one woman’s outrageously funny and poignant journey from sophisticated, single gal in San Francisco to married with (step)children in Texas, where she reinvents the stepmother role for a new generation of daring, confident women.

Falling in love turns many women’s lives upside down, but for the millions of women who fall for men with children from previous relationships, love often leaves them wondering how they ended up raising another woman’s kids. At 35, Izzy was a successful TV producer, living the good life as a “middle-class socialite” in San Francisco. She’s perfectly content to be unmarried and kidless—and then along comes Hank, an irresistible Southern gentleman with two kids of his own. In the parenting department, she’s a total amateur, but she does bring one strength to the new arrangement: she speaks the blended family language. She was a stepkid herself.

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Candid, smart, entertaining, and spot-on, **THE PACKAGE DEAL** follows Izzy's first year as she struggles to adjust to life as an "instant mom" to the "Young One" and the "Tall One," all the while trying to remain true to herself and hold on to a bit of her personal life and professional identity in the process. Whether it's enforcing her own brand of quirky "stepmother rules," trolling for new gal pals, making time for hot married sex, or searching for meaning at Bed Bath & Beyond, Izzy's memoir is a toast to the richness of her new life. Brimming with grace and humor, **THE PACKAGE DEAL** is a tribute to any woman who has ever fallen in love and then asked, What exactly did I get myself into?

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