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"...more punch lines per paragraph than any book I've read in years." —The New York Times

"She holds nothing back." —The Washington Post

"Often hilarious, often shocking, totally politically incorrect."—Liz Smith

"An entertaining rant...The only thing missing is the sound of a drumroll and cymbals to feel as though one is sitting in a nightclub watching a live comedy marathon...A raucous, biting look at life."—*Kirkus Reviews*

"Nobody, but nobody, can hate like Joan Rivers. It is a gift. It is also shocking, the things she makes us laugh at...Joan Rivers is extraordinary, but she's not for the easily offended—or for anyone who gets offended at all."—People

About the Author

Comedienne, Emmy Award—winning TV host, Tony-nominated actress and CEO, JOAN RIVERS is an icon of American culture. She is a bestselling author, *Celebrity Apprentice* winner, writer, producer, director, and savvy businesswoman who has overcome great odds to reinvent herself time and time again. Joan hosts E! Network's popular series *Fashion Police*, and stars with her daughter, Melissa, in their own weekly reality show, *Joan and Melissa: Joan Knows Best?* on WEtv Network. Her critically acclaimed documentary, *Joan Rivers: A Piece of Work* premiered in theaters nationwide and is available on DVD. Rivers also performs her trademark stand-up comedy act in front of sold-out audiences in the U.S. and abroad. Amongst all of her success, Joan's most joyous triumph is being a mother and grandmother. She resides in New York and Los Angeles with her three rescue dogs.

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Love may be a many-splendored thing, but hate makes the world go round. If you think I'm kidding, just watch the six o'clock news. The first twenty-nine minutes are all about dictators and murderers and terrorists and maniacs and, worst of all, *real housewives*. And then, at the very end of the show, there's a thirty second human-interest story about some schmuck who married his cat. I rest my case.

Some things I've hated forever, some are new acquisitions, and some are just passing fancies. Today I hate happy TV weathermen, feminists who believe Gloria Steinem's great looks hurt her, Gloria Steinem herself, people who mispronounce the word *ask*, studio apartments, guidance counselors, first ladies, old people. So if any of this offends you, or you happen to love puppies and kittens and the infirm . . . well . . . I'm impressed . . .

I know what you're thinking: "Joan, hate is a very strong word." You're right, it is, but I use it as an umbrella term, the way mental-health professionals use the word *schizophrenia* as a catchall for any particular brand of crazy they can't identify. So when I say *hate*, I don't necessarily mean *hate*. I could also mean loathe, detest, abhor, dislike, despise or resent. See, isn't that kinder and gentler? If you think this makes you a better person than I am, good. You're the idiot that actually paid for this book.

For those of you thinking, *Geez, Joan seems a little angry*, you're half right. I am angry. I'm also fed up. I'm fed up with the morons and losers and cretins who are cluttering up the planet. Emma Lazarus wrote, "Give

me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free." I didn't know she meant on my block. But being fed up and angry is better than being depressed. Psychologists tell us that depression is just anger turned inward, but I say, why waste your time? It is what it is and quite frankly I'd rather be angry than depressed. Why? Because antidepressants like Prozac, Wellbutrin and Zoloft can cause bloating—and I hate bloating!!! (I need to go back and add *bloating* to the list of things I hate. Is there anything worse than not being able to fit into a size two Valentino? I think not. Talk about depressing.)

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