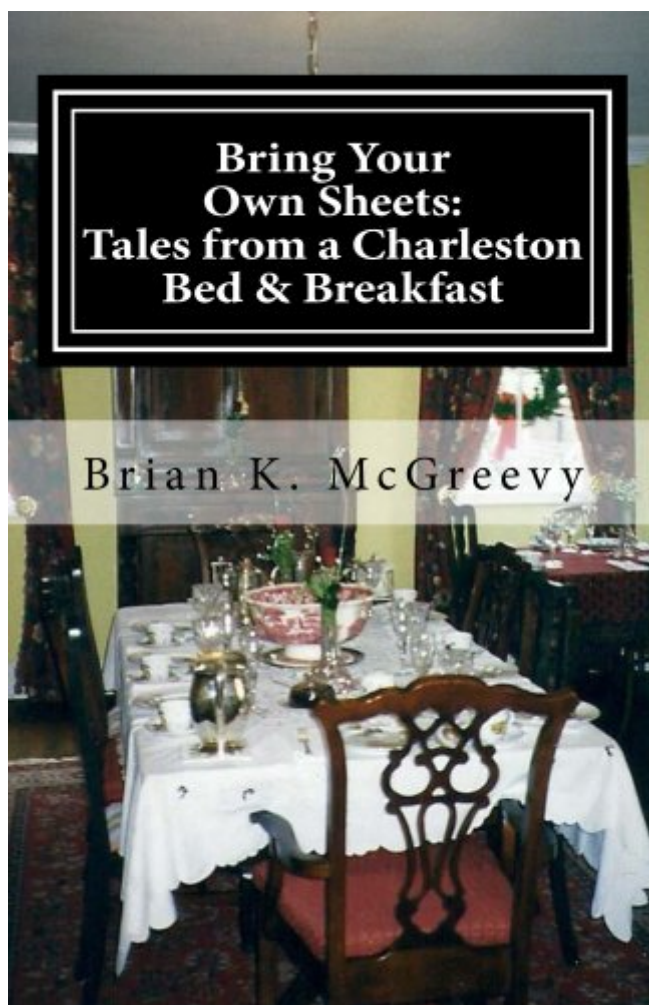


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Bring Your Own Sheets: Tales From A Charleston Bed And Breakfast



Synopsis

Ever imagine what it would be like to run a bed and breakfast in one of the world's most beautiful cities? In this hilarious memoir, former international business executive and lawyer Brian McGreevy tells the tale of restoring an 18th century house South of Broad as a charming bed and breakfast that was soon attracting guests from all over the world. Featured in Fodor's Best Bed and Breakfasts in America as well as InStyle Magazine, the McGreevys' B&B provides the stage for a year of adventure as the family, guests, and staff join in the capers and mirth in the heart of the historic district near the Battery. Lovers of Charleston will relish the chance to escape by living vicariously through this story, a cross between Peter Mayle's "A Year in Provence" and Herman Wouk's "Don't Stop the Carnival." Having grown up in Charleston, with the requisite rites of passage in Charleston like attending Mrs. Whaley's Cotillion and graduating from prestigious Porter-Gaud School, McGreevy is a Charleston insider whose love for this beautiful city shines through his descriptions of its changing seasons. Featuring a cast of characters including loony tour guides, misplaced Yankees, and woozy housekeepers, these tales will keep you laughing while at the same time making you want to plan another trip to Charleston!

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Customer Reviews

It was a quick read... witty, funny, and nostalgic. I grew up in Charleston (moved to Miami 28 years ago), and it brought back all these wonderful memories; and why I still love the city and call her "home". I would say, it is a choice read for anyone who has, or plans to visit the historic city..... enjoy.

When I was a teenager, I lived across the street from the McGreevy's for one year. Brian and his sister, Maribeth, were friendly with my sister and I during a horrific time in our family life. So I ordered the book to find out what had happened to Brian and his family. The book was quite amusing, and at times allowed me to remember Brian's wit and way of expressing himself. Brian's mother, Amy McGreevy, was quite the Southern Lady, from what I remember, and I see a lot of her influence in her son's upbringing through his writing. I liked the book, and gave a copy to each of my remaining family members. The book is about the stories and events that transpired while Brian and his wife owned and ran Hayne house. What it left me wondering was when they decided to sell their bed and breakfast along with the "why?" Maybe it is because our lives crossed paths many years ago and I found myself wanting to know more! I wanted to know where they went next in their lives. I did a little research and found that Brian is now the Rev. Brian McGreevy at the prestigious private school, Porter Gaud. I attended the 2nd grade at that school when it was Porter Military Academy. So lives intersecting again. Charleston is an amazing place. If you have not been there, then I urge you to go. Try out a bed and breakfast to get the real flavor of this historic city. It is not far from Savannah, GA, which is another amazing historical place on earth. I urge you to read this book if you frequent bed and breakfast establishments. Learn what the proprietors are thinking about their guests and perhaps you might learn some things about yourself and your boarding habits! It is a charming, amusing read. Kudos to you Brian and wishing you all the best with your new book!

Highly recommend "Comical book and very Charleston. Makes for a great gift! Everyone you know will want to read this book!!! Well written Book!

Great book to prepare you for a visit to Charleston SC

The authors does a great job from cover to cover at sharing his deep love for Charleston while

simultaneously keeping his readers laughing or at least constantly smiling. The pages of Bring Your Own Sheets are very refreshing. It's a must for every lover of tourism in the U.S. and especially before an escapade in the humid South. It will help you stay cool in any situations and will give you a better understanding of the backstage challenges of your hosts.

I enjoyed the book, but would have loved more descriptions of the lodgers and less of the family. The pitfalls and foibles of running a b and b are well described. If you like Charleston, you'll enjoy the book.

I recently moved to the beautiful city of Charleston and discovered this funny, insightful book about the inner life of a bed and breakfast proprietor. It is a well written account of a year in the life of a man and his family as they start up and grow a successful business. I loved the authentic voice of the tourists, their views and expectations. The author is humble and has a knack for growing rich relationships with his clients and the many characters that help his business thrive. I found it uplifting, authentic and warm. Much recommended for anyone who loves Charleston, traveling, entrepreneurship and the hilarity of being human.

Brian McGreevy writes a charming, witty account of his experiences as a Bed and Breakfast owner in Charleston, SC. A great book that made me laugh out loud. It's hard to put the book down as one wants to see what adventures the next guest will bring!

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