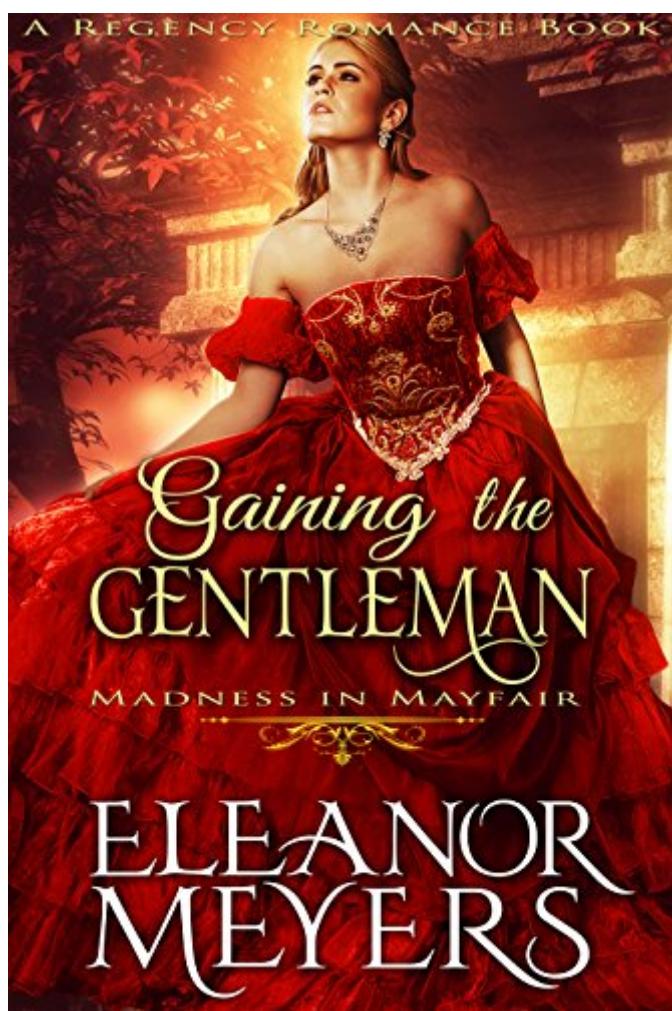


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# Gaining The Gentleman (Madness In Mayfair) (A Regency Romance Book)



## **Synopsis**

Fate has finally found her door...Â .Page Count: around 330 pagesLady Christa Eatson has given up on the hope of love and marriage. So instead, she&apos;ll have to find other ways to entertain herself...Her entire world is turned upside down the day she agrees to help an old friend on a scavenger hunt for a hidden jewel through Mayfair. But what seems like an innocent adventure quickly reveals itself to be a mystery full of murder, courtesans, and their carnal inclinations. But nothing is more shocking than the man who comes to her aid...Â .Joseph Croftman - He has a dark past, but her childish crush for the man has never quite left her heart. As one of London&apos;s wealthiest men, Joseph Croftman has the means to pick any wife he wishes, but the women of the Ton seem all alike. Selfish gossips wrapped silk skirts. He&apos;s ready to settle down, but knows he&apos;ll never find a love match... that is until Lady Christa slowly begins to change his mind. When their paths cross, Joseph is intrigued to see a different Christa... She is no longer an annoying little girl, but a woman with a mind just as enchanting as her form. What starts out as chance to simply help find a piece of jewelry, quickly changes into a love that can last a lifetime. But can Christa truly trust this man with her heart? And if she does, can they manage to survive the darkness that walks the streets of Mayfair?Page Count: around 330 pages

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## Customer Reviews

Full disclosure: I received this book as an ARC. This wonderful series continues. Many of the members of the families of Wardington Park have found their soul mates, however Joseph Croftman and Christa Eaton are still searching. Joseph is a very prosperous landed gentry and heir of Angelbook Manor. Christa is the daughter of the late Duke of Hensman and has lived her entire life watching the evil effects of a marriage without love. Her loveless relationship with her father made Christa a bitter young woman with few friends. Upon his death, Christa takes an extended trip to the continent to just get away. The marriage of her cousin Amy Ott to Nate Dawnton has brought a sense of calm and friendship that Christa has never known. Could Amy's influence and the time in France have softened Christa? June, a somewhat friend from her childhood, appears with an offer to become involved in a secret scavenger hunt for a lost jeweled necklace. Joseph insists he accompany the ladies in this crazy scheme and begins to see the new Christa. The scavenger hunt has lots of twists and turns with clues that lead to abandoned homes, paramours, and a Spanish villain. As I have enjoyed the Wardington Park series, I have frequently become confused about just who belongs to which family. Ms Meyers has given us a treat in this book. It is list of all the families of the series

Joseph and Christa grew up on adjoining properties, so knew each other all their lives. And, for all their lives, Christa loved Joseph. Of course, being older, Joseph considered her a bother, and her attraction to him was a joke. Now both of them are grown, and Christa has recently returned from three years abroad. Her old friend June has enlisted her help in a scavenger hunt for a valuable necklace. Against Christa's wishes, June ropes Joseph into joining them. Christa suffers embarrassment about her past adoration of Joseph, but still has strong feelings for him. Being thrown together makes both of them reevaluate their relationship. While this book is about Christa and Joseph, we also get to check in on Martin and Abigail, Priscilla and Levi, Mark and others in this group who now feel like old friends. I thoroughly enjoyed following Joseph and Christa's developing courtship, as well as catching up with various family members and friends. Very highly recommended book and series.

I must say it took me a bit of reading to get familiar with the various family members in this story, Thank goodness the author has included a reference for the different characters in this book. Having said that, I have to say, I LOVED this well written, well developed, sometimes very serious, sometimes humorous and all the time really carries you along story. This is the story of Joseph and Christa. Christa has loved Joseph since she was a young girl but Joseph was never really taken by her. Because of her shallowness and often unkind behavior. Christa has been in Europe for two years and returned a different person, a much deeper person. Joseph and Christa are thrust into a scavenger hunt for a lost necklace that carries a legacy of murder with it. As I became more familiar with these two people, I also became more acquainted with other characters from books that came before. Normally, I would start at the beginning of a series so I get to know all the players as I go. I didn't get to do that this time because I found this story not knowing the history that came before it. It's great story as a stand alone. However, I believe I've found a new author I really enjoy and I'll have to revisit some of these people in their own stories. Eleanor Meyers is definitely an author whose work is worth picking up.

I love this series. While it this book can be read as a stand alone, I encourage you to also read each of the books in this series as the characters intertwine. Eleanor Meyers delivers the story of Joseph and Christa with mystery, suspense, heartache, heartbreak, romance and passion. It is a wonderful historical romance. Christa has not always been a nice person. Time has changed her. At the age of 30, Joseph needs to settle down with a wife. They have known each other nearly their entire lives and Christa has loved Joseph from afar, but no romance developed. Unexpectedly, Joseph reenters Christa's life. The mystery begins, then there was a kiss and three little words whispered. But, by whom and what did they mean? Time to read the book to find out! I hope you enjoy this as much as I did!

Gaining The Gentleman is a fantastic third installment of A Wardington Park Book series. This one focused on the love story of a single couple, instead of being divided into multiple stories; going deeper into the relationship of the two main protagonists we've met before, Joseph and Christa. Eleanor Meyers does an incredible job individualizing each of her stories, and this one was no exception. Gaining The Gentleman stands out with its unique love story, paired with a mysterious hunt for a valuable necklace, and a looming killer on the loose. The heat content of Gaining The Gentleman was a little higher than the previous two books, but it remained clean throughout. I would recommend this book for anyone interested in a heated, clean regency romance with mystery to

solve and murder to catch. Each of the books in this series can be read as stand alone, but are most enjoyable altogether. I am so looking forward to, while simultaneously dreading, the conclusion of this series!

I enjoy a series that intertwines characters. The author includes a chart of the characters as they appear and the family and even notes a suggestion to consult the chart to keep the characters straight. I did need to go back a few times to know who was whom and who was married to whom. I loved the descriptions, it helps create the scenes. The author develops the characters and the story with all the romance needed with the intrigue and darkness of a murder mystery. As always (also why I love historical romance) is the obligatory happy ever after even though there are always the doubts with the plots twists and turns. Highly recommend this book.

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