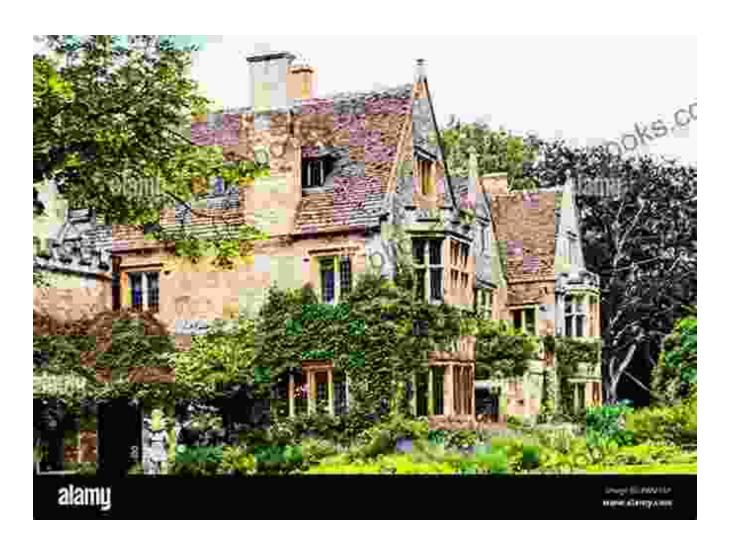
## In The Company of Others: An Unforgettable Encounter with the Mitford Family





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Prepare to embark on an enthralling journey into the heart of one of the most remarkable families of the 20th century: the Mitfords. "In The Company of Others" offers an unparalleled glimpse into the lives of these six extraordinary siblings, whose unique blend of brilliance, eccentricities, and profound impact on British history has captivated generations.

From the mischievous and literary Nancy to the rebellious and unconventional Jessica, from the enigmatic Unity to the glamorous Diana, each Mitford sibling possessed a distinct personality and left an indelible mark on their time.

Nancy: The Keen Observer and Witty Pen



Nancy Mitford, the eldest of the Mitford sisters, was a prolific novelist and journalist whose sharp wit and keen observations of the upper classes made her a literary sensation. Her most famous works, such as "The Pursuit of Love" and "Love in a Cold Climate," are still widely read today and provide a fascinating glimpse into the social landscape of pre-World War II England.

#### Jessica: The Rebellious Trailblazer



Jessica Mitford, the youngest of the Mitford sisters, was a fearless rebel who challenged social conventions throughout her life. She became a communist activist in the 1930s, campaigned against fascism, and wrote a controversial book about the American funeral industry that earned her international recognition.

**Unity: The Enigmatic Fascist** 



Unity Mitford, perhaps the most enigmatic of the Mitford siblings, was a devoted follower of Adolf Hitler and the Nazi ideology. She moved to Germany in the 1930s and became a close friend of the Führer, even attempting suicide after the outbreak of World War II when she realized that her beloved Germany was doomed to defeat.

**Diana: The Glamorous Socialite** 



Diana Mitford, the most glamorous of the Mitford sisters, married the notorious British fascist leader Oswald Mosley, becoming a prominent figure in pre-war society. After the war, she and her husband lived in exile in France, where they hosted a circle of like-minded intellectuals and artists.

**Evelyn Waugh: The Family Chronicler** 



The Mitford family's story is inextricably linked to that of Evelyn Waugh, the acclaimed novelist and close friend of the family. Waugh wrote extensively about the Mitfords in his novels, including the satirical masterpiece "Vile Bodies" and the poignant "Brideshead Revisited." His writings provide invaluable insights into the family's complex relationships and the social upheaval of their time.

#### **Legacy and Impact**

The Mitford family's legacy extends far beyond the pages of history books. Their lives and choices have inspired countless works of literature, film, and television. Nancy Mitford's novels continue to delight readers with their wit

and social commentary, while Jessica Mitford's activism remains a source of inspiration for social justice advocates.

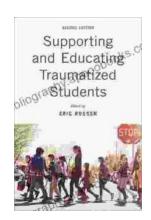
"In The Company of Others" is an essential read for anyone fascinated by British history, literature, and the extraordinary lives of these six remarkable siblings. Through vivid storytelling and meticulous research, this book offers an unforgettable encounter with the Mitford family, whose impact on society continues to resonate today.



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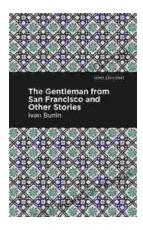
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