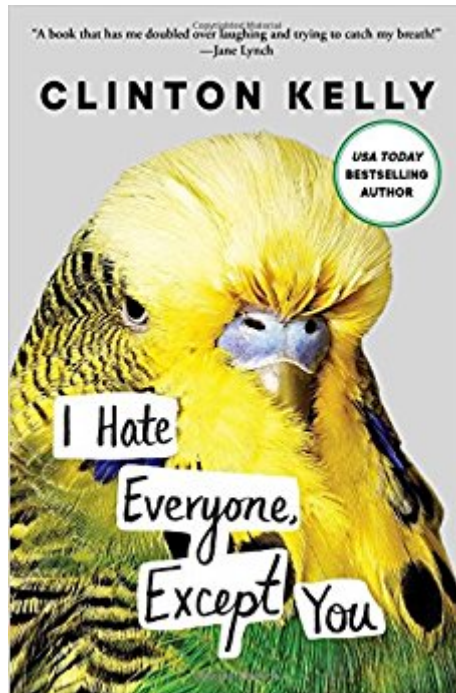




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# I Hate Everyone, Except You



## Synopsis

From the bestselling author, beloved television host, and “arbiter of style and good taste in all areas” (People) comes a hilariously candid, deliciously snarky collection of essays about his journey from awkward kid to slightly-less-awkward adult. Clinton Kelly is probably best known for teaching women how to make their butts look smaller. But in *I Hate Everyone, Except You*, he reveals some heretofore-unknown secrets about himself, like that he’s a finicky connoisseur of 1980s pornography, a disillusioned critic of New Jersey’s premier water parks, and perhaps the world’s least enthused high-school commencement speaker. Whether he’s throwing his baby sister in the air to jumpstart her cheerleading career or heroically rescuing his best friend from death by mud bath, Clinton leaps life’s social hurdles with aplomb. With his signature wit and relatable voice, he shares his unique ability to navigate the stickiest of situations, like find true love in a crowded gay bar or deciding whether it’s acceptable to eat chicken wings with a fork on live television (spoiler: it’s not). Clinton delves into all these outrageous topics—and many more—in this thoroughly unabashedly frank and uproarious collection.

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Praise for *I Hate Everyone, Except You* “Clinton wrote a book that has me doubled over laughing and trying to catch my breath! Life is too short not to laugh good and hard when a good, hard laugh is offered. Clinton is offering. Read his book.” (Jane Lynch, actress, comedian, and New York Times bestselling author of *Happy Accidents*) “No matter how you

know Kelly, you will know him infinitely better after reading *I Hate Everyone, Except You*, his hilarious, wise, and revealing new memoir... Kelly delivers a perfect blend of heart, humor and trucker language. (Bookpage) "Funny, smart, and profane." (Shelf Awareness) "Usually taking the high road, Kelly recounts past love affairs, run-ins with rude diners, and correspondence from unfavorable viewers with equal, levelheaded aplomb. A thoroughly light and entertaining memoir." (Kirkus Reviews) Praise for *Freakin' Fabulous* "Grammar pointers, etiquette tips, appetizer recipes, and wardrobe advice deliver big laughs... seriously. (Chicago Tribune) "Laugh your way through this irreverent tome. (Newsday) Praise for *Freakin' Fabulous on a Budget* "If there's a stylish wannabe on your gift list who just got their first apartment or starter home, you can now check the box next to their name off with a flourish." (Denver Post) "Kelly does a terrific job of demystifying the role of host or hostess . . . Readers in search of basic housekeeping and party-hosting tips... not to mention Kelly's fans will find the book informative and entertaining." (Publishers Weekly) "Clinton Kelly, host of ABC's 'The Chew,' knows a thing or two about entertaining. In his new book, *Freakin' Fabulous on a Budget*, Kelly shares his no-fail tips for living the fab life on the cheap." (ABC News) Praise for *Dress Your Best with Stacy London* "The spunky hosts of TLC's *What to Wear* present a fashion guide that's empowering, friendly and exceedingly useful . . . Ladies and gentlemen, start your shopping engines... and don't leave home without this book!" (Publishers Weekly) Praise for Clinton Kelly "Hitting the summer wedding circuit but not sure what to wear? Clinton Kelly, Macy's wedding expert, has your back." (Parade) "Kelly seeks out the human quality that binds us all. He might be a fabulous and famous television star, but he empathizes with the girl who feels insecure in her outfit. That's the quality that has earned him fans that number in the millions and a social media following in the hundreds of thousands." (Long Island Press) "Clinton Kelly has built an incredible fan base since appearing on 'What Not to Wear' and 'The Chew.' He comes off as someone who fans can relate to, which is appealing for viewers . . . Kelly is the man to go to when planning any party, and you can be sure his advice will be top notch." (Examiner.com) "Clinton Kelly made a name for himself transforming fashion failures into style mavens alongside Stacy London on TLC's *What Not to Wear*. Now, as co-host of ABC's *The Chew* and author of *Freakin' Fabulous* and *Freakin' Fabulous on a Budget*, Clinton has proven himself to be an arbiter of style and good taste in all areas... from fashion to entertaining and everything in between." (People) "Fashion maven Kelly is more booster than basher in this collection of mostly autobiographical essays about his life on- and off-screen... The former Long Island dork who always found fitting in difficult emphasizes his

ongoing quest for common decency...Ã A thoroughly light and entertaining memoir." (Kirkus Reviews) --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.

Clinton Kelly is best known as Emmy-award-winning moderator of *The Chew* on ABC, as well as cohost of the wildly popular makeover show, *What Not to Wear*. Originally from Port Jefferson Station, New York, Clinton now resides with his husband, Damon, and dog, Mary, in Manhattan and Connecticut.

I think most everyone knows who Clinton Kelly is. He was one of the hosts on TLC's wildly popular show *What Not to Wear*, a show where he and his cohost, Stacy London, helped fashion-impaired women dress better (and ultimately feel better about themselves). The show went on for something like ten seasons. It was formulaic, of course, but still really fun. Now he's a host on *The Chew*, a show on ABC about food and people and gatherings, etc., which I've never seen but is apparently popular, too. Kelly has written a bunch of books. I've read two of them (and enjoyed one...).Ã A *Freakin' Fabulous: How to Dress, Speak, Behave, Eat, Drink, Entertain, Decorate, and Generally Be Better than Everyone Else*Ã A gives genuinely good advice on how to dress, act, speak, entertain, cook, etc., and I loved it.Ã A *Oh No She Didn't: The Top 100 Style Mistakes Women Make and How to Avoid Them*Ã A talks about the top 100 mistakes women make when dressing themselves, and though the advice is somewhat helpful, the tone is super snarky and I couldn't stand it. *I Hate Everyone Except You* doesn't focus on advice at all. It's a collection of stories, almost all memoir-ish (with some random stuff, like a screenplay Kelly wrote, thrown in). And, honestly, there are some flawless moments in here. Kelly's writing is strongest when he talks about the things, especially the people, he loves most: the women he helped on *What Not To Wear*, his husband, his sister, his dog. And I loved Kelly's earnestness and honesty when he talked about his complicated relationship with Stacy London. Those stories sang. But there are other chapters that fall flat--mostly, in my opinion, because Kelly chooses to be obnoxious and prickly instead of calm or thoughtful. He's funny even when he's catty, sure, but it gets old. I grew tired of his rude and overly annoyed tone. Sometimes he comes across as bitter--maybe over something deeper that he doesn't want to reveal, or possibly over something he hasn't even figured out himself yet. Other times, his over-the-top exasperation seems so unnecessarily dramatic that I wondered if it was all an act. Either way, I kept wanting to tell him, "Just breathe, Clinton. It's not that big of a deal. And you don't have to be so mean about it." I definitely like this book better than *Oh No She Didn't*, and I do appreciate Kelly's willingness to share personal stories and make himself more vulnerable. But I

still hoped for more--more about who Kelly really is and less about what he happens to be grumpy about today. The book held my attention and I zipped right through it, but I think it could have been stronger.

I have been following Clinton Kelly faithfully on The Chew. He is a very good writer. There were many laugh out loud parts. Sometimes I could not stop laughing. Some of the book read as if it was a novel rather than a memoir of his life but that made it interesting. I think i would have liked to have more of "The Chew Clinton".

I like Clinton Kelly and found the book somewhat amusing. I was shattered to read how much he disliked Stacy London. They are sure good actors! They were terrific and so funny to watch.

I have always watched Clinton's shows and thought he had that perfect personality that is somewhere between shocking and hilarious, this book proved to me that he really is that truly funny person with a side order of snark. Can't wait for the next book.

Started out good and then started going off in tangents that were boring. I love watching Clinton Kelly on the Chew and thought his book would be good but I was disappointed.

Moments when I laughed so hard I cried. Some stories I could relate to my life. Tidbits of the joy, humor and pain many of experience in our daily lives.

LAUGH OUT LOUD FUNNY....I HAVEN'T LAUGHED THIS HARD IN YEARS.

Couldn't put it down. Fast read and for adults only LOL

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