

MADAME POMMERY: A CHAMPAGNE WIDOWS NOVEL

By *Rebecca Rosenberg*

A Real-Life Heroine Who Refuses to Give Up Her Dreams ... and Champagne... What's Not to Love?

SYNOPSIS

"A tour-de-force of historical fiction, Madame Pommery is a deeply fascinating work that blends true-to-life details with artfully crafted elements."

—*Publishers Weekly BookLife Prize*

It has all the makings of a vehicle for the big screen: Picture the scenes shifting from the Champagne region of France to London to a Scottish Castle.

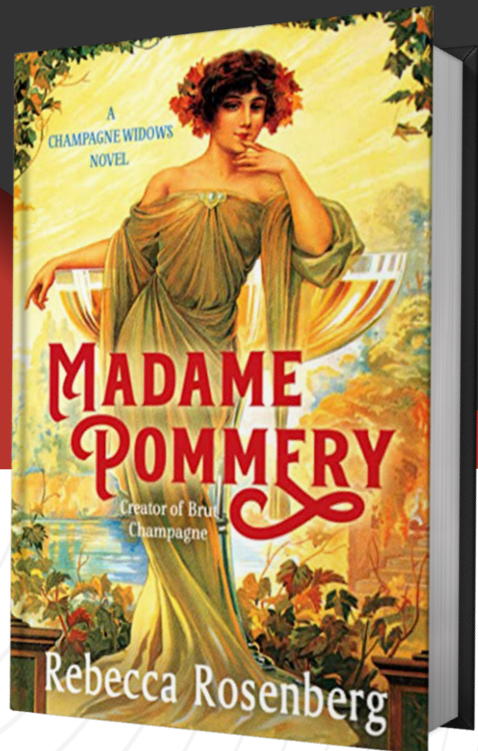
For movie comparisons of strong, determined women or other wine-related themes, think: *The Iron Lady* (2011), *Colette* (2018), *Sideways* (2004), *A Good Year* (2006), *Wine Country* (2019) and *Uncorked* (2020).

This is a story of a woman's indomitable spirit in the face of insurmountable odds. Set in Champagne, France in 1860, Madame Pommery is a 40-year-old widow and etiquette teacher whose husband has passed away. Now she must find a way to support her family. With no experience, she decides to make champagne, but no champagne makers will teach her their craft.

Undeterred, Madame Pommery begins to secretly excavate champagne caves under the Reims city dump and faces numerous obstacles to achieve her dream. From the Franco-Prussian war that conscripts her son and crew to the Prussian General Frederick Franz occupying her home, Madame Pommery perseveres. She even must choose between her champagne dreams and a marriage proposal from her former lover, a Scottish Baron.

Inspired by a true story, Madame Pommery is **a heroic tale of a woman's strength and determination to create a champagne legacy.**

Champagne Widows, in partnership with Industry Entertainment, is being developed into a scripted series and is looking for partners.



REVIEWS

The sun-drenched vineyards of France, a real-life heroine who refuses to give up her dreams ... and champagne ... What's not to love?

—*Barbara Davis,*
bestselling author of
The Echo of Old Books

Vibrant scenes with an outspoken heroine reminiscent of Scarlett O'Hara, this book will keep you reading late into the night. A thrilling and true story.

—*Martha Conway,*
awarding-winning author of
The Physician's Daughter

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