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For When I'm Gone

By Rebecca Lay

For When I'm Gone is the fictional story of Sylvia, a young mother with terminal breast cancer who writes her husband a guidebook to their family life.

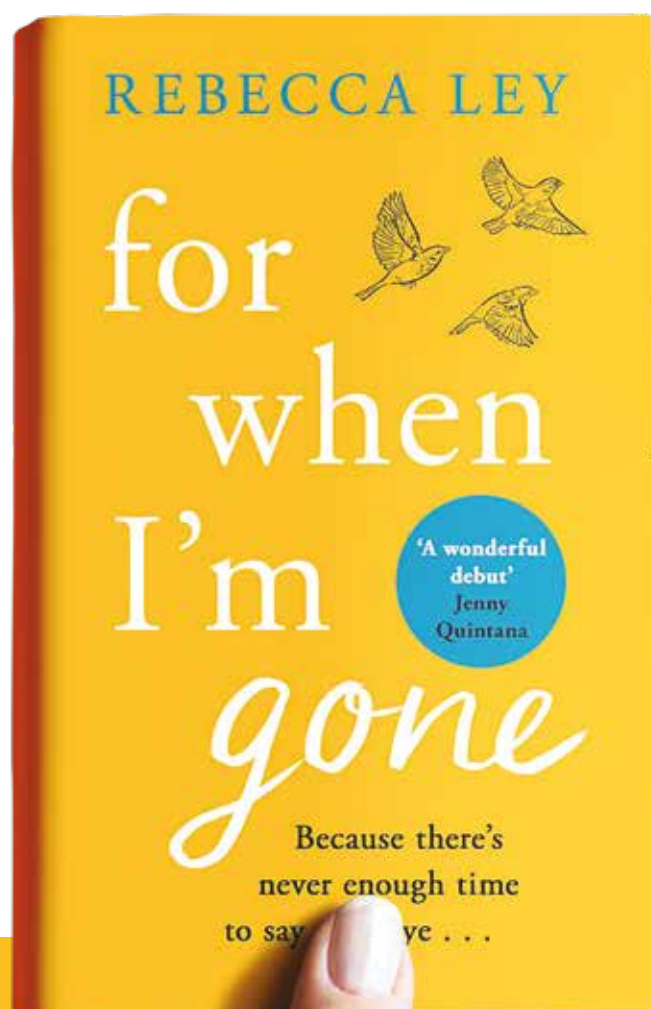
Sylvia knows that she's running out of time. Very soon, she will exist only in the memories of those who loved her most and the pieces of her life she's left behind.

So she begins to write her husband a handbook for when she's gone, as somewhere to capture the small moments of ordinary, precious happiness in their married lives. From raising their son, to what to give their daughter on her eighteenth birthday, it's everything she should have told him before it was too late.

But Sylvia also has a secret, one that she's saved until the very last pages. And it's a moment in her past that could change everything and that threatens to change her husband's perception of her forever.

The author, Rebecca Lay, has drawn on her own family experience as, like the main character, both of her older sisters were diagnosed with breast cancer in their thirties. While they both survived the disease, Rebecca witnessed firsthand the impact on everyone close.

For When I'm Gone is a heartbreaking, but uplifting, story of family dynamics and, above all else, hope.



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