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**THE MIRACLE WOMEN**  
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“Dreams are endless, but deeds that turn into miracles help dreams come true.”

In the mid-1950s, an era shaped by the spirit of new beginnings, Luise Dahlmann opens a small grocery store in Starnberg, near Munich. She sells everything the heart desires: fruit and vegetables, meats and dairy products, nylon stockings, rich cakes and chocolate – along with plenty of gossip and tittle-tattle. Three women cross paths with Luise in her shop and become fast friends: Annabel, the doctor’s wife who lives next door; Helga, the young student nurse from Munich, and Marie, an expert horsewoman and artist, who was chased from her native Silesia at the end of the war. All three pursue their dreams and want to break free from society’s entrenched expectations, so they set out together to make a fresh start.

One small mom-and-pop store, four women, and a shared desire to finally be happy again. Four strong women find their destinies between the post-war economic miracle and the Hippie era, between nylons and emancipation, between love and friendship.

**STEPHANIE SCHUSTER**, born in 1967, lives with her family and a small herd of sheep on a rustic farm near Starnberg, Bavaria. This is also where the Miracle Women trilogy is set. Although the characters are completely fictional, the stories could have happened in much the same way in real life. Stephanie Schuster weaves the captivating destinies of four women into a panorama of the 1950s: the years of Germany’s economic miracle, of hopes and dreams, and a new social transformation.

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At the beginning of the 1960s, the Swinging Sixties, there is a lot going on in Luise Dahlmann's small store; it is her pride and joy. The shelves are bulging with everything her heart desires: fresh produce from the surrounding countryside and delicatessen from all over the world. Luise wants to keep up with the competition, and customers suddenly want self-service, look for specials and ask for the recipe for Sunday dinner.

Three women are at her side in this decade full of upheavals: single mother Helga, who now works as a doctor, her sister-in-law Marie, who now has four children, and Annabel, whose family is in danger of breaking up after a stroke of fate. In recent years, life has brought the four women closer together than they thought. And they realize: Together, you can create something real out of dreams.



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In 1972, during the Olympic Games in Munich, Luise fights with all her might to keep her small grocery store despite supermarket competition. She also has to admit to herself that her marriage is now finally at an end - and with the new law on divorce, she dares to take an outrageous step. She is supported in these turbulent times by her three friends: Helga, who dreams of her own medical practice, Marie, who puts all her energy into her equestrian farm, and Annabel, who finally faces her family's past. With all the new opportunities, they realize: The greatest adventure of their lives is just beginning.