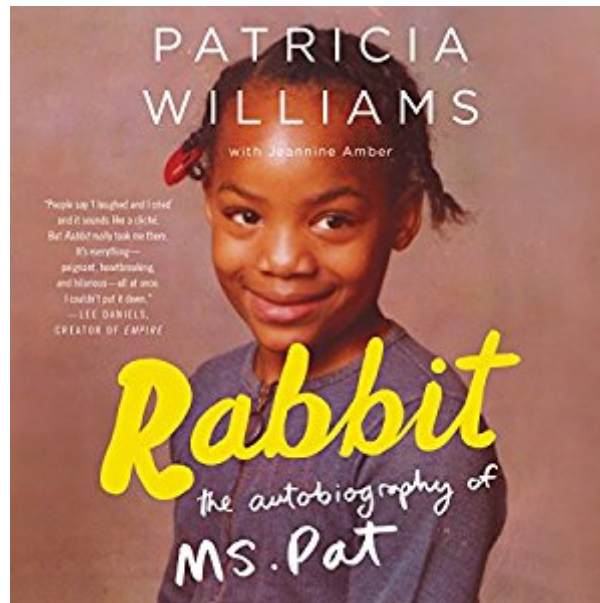




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Rabbit: The Autobiography Of Ms. Pat



Synopsis

A remarkably bold and inspiring story of crime, motherhood, and redemption - not since Cupcake Brown's *A Piece of Cake* has there been a memoir this unforgettable. You want to know about the struggle of growing up poor, black, and female? Ask any girl from any 'hood. You want to know what it takes to rise above your circumstances when all the cards are stacked against you? Ask me. Comedian Patricia Williams, who, for years, went by her street name, Rabbit, was born and raised in Atlanta's most troubled neighborhood at the height of the crack epidemic. One of five children, Pat watched as her alcoholic mother struggled to get by on charity, cons, and petty crimes. At age seven, Pat was taught to roll drunks for money. At 12, she was targeted for sex by a man eight years her senior; by 13, she was pregnant. By 15, Pat was a mother of two. Alone at 16, Pat was determined to make a better life for her children. But with no job skills and an eighth-grade education, her options were limited. She learned quickly that hustling and humor were the only tools she had to survive. *Rabbit* is an unflinching memoir of cinematic scope and unexpected humor that offers a rare glimpse into the harrowing reality of life on America's margins - a powerful true story of resilience, determination, and the transformative power of love.

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Customer Reviews

Just finished it. What a simply amazing book from the most fun and most real lady out there. It will make you laugh, make you cry, and shock you with the stories of what Miss Pat went through. The story of *Rabbit*, is a must read

Excellent book! I couldn't put it down. It just shows that some people really had a hard childhood and few role models but still manage to be successful.

I can't recommend this book highly enough. Even if you're not familiar with Ms. Pat's comedy or have no idea who she is you will be unable to stop turning the pages. From (barely) teen mother to drug dealer to established comedian, Ms. Pat has been through it all.

Seriously the easiest read I've had in a long time. Definitely a one sitting type of read. Ms Pat has a funny way of sharing her life. You walk away feeling like you've had a good talk with a new friend. ã ã ã—

Last week on my way to work I caught Ms. Pat on the Rickey Smiley show. I was laughing my butt off. I went and purchased the book on my kindle the same day. And I laughed and cried. And for her to make a living out of telling her story. Is something I wanted to contribute to. Hope to see and here more from Ms. Pat in the future. ã ã ã•ã ã ã•

Hysterical. I couldn't stop laughing. I felt bad at some parts because it was so out there and so crazy but it's her life! I honestly couldn't putt the book down. All black people know someone like Rabbit or Ms. Pat and there is never a dull moment . You feel sorry for her but you realize she couldn't be who she is today without this wonderful, wickedly, delicious story. Please Ms. Pat I want happiness for you. Stay funny. Thanks for sharing this book with the world.

Fascinating and gripping; very well-written. I'm really glad that the author emerged from her terrible upbringing, and has a good life. This is no comedy, although there are some parts that are very funny. This is a tragedy, and the author is very brave for sharing the horrifying details of her upbringing, which unfortunately are familiar to me and probably to many other readers. Very enjoyable if sometimes difficult read.

There are very few laughs in standup comic Patricia Williams's autobiography, but she and co-author Jeannine Amber have crafted an unforgettable and harrowing portrait of growing up in abject poverty in Georgia. Williams (aka Ms. Pat) and her four siblings were raised by an alcoholic single mother who would vent her anger inside their apartment by shooting her .22 pistol in the air.

"Mama fired that pistol the way other parents raise their voice," writes Williams. "Every time she got aggravated, we feared for our lives." Mama's remedy for everything from chicken pox, trench mouth or fleabites was "rub some Vicks on it." At age eight, Williams (nicknamed "Rabbit") was taught to roll drunks for their pocket money. When she was 12, she started dating a 20-year-old married man who got her pregnant a year later. At 15, she was the mother of two and a seventh-grade dropout with only one option for making money: selling crack cocaine on the streets. Calling herself a "part-time entrepreneur," she discovers she has a knack for this dangerous business and is soon making \$5,000 to \$6,000 a day in profit. But when a Miami drug cartel moves in and starts shooting drug-dealing competitors in the streets, her situation turns deadly. Williams's account of growing up poor, black and female is hard-edged, gritty and riveting. Readers will be rooting for this spunky survivor every misstep of the way. Her eventual escape from her family's long history of drug addiction, crime and violence is truly inspiring. RABBIT, standup comedian "Ms. Pat" Williams's memoir of growing up poor, black and female is an unforgettable and riveting story of teenage motherhood, drug dealing and survival.

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