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2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. If you have ever eaten dinner off of a dinner plate...By Rebecca SDiscontinued: What I Lost and Found During the Recession by Miriam EatchelFirst let's get the disclosure out of the way: I make an appearance or two in this book and one of the elves. And I couldn't be more thrilled. The job at Edish

in Houston, Texas was the BEST job I ever had and I've had a number of them. I read this book in almost one sitting and I would have read it one sitting had I not had to go to my "new" job, which is NOTHING like working at Edish. This book tells the story of Miriam's dilemma of closing Edish, a china, crystal and silver pattern matching service. She had two locations (Houston and Salt Lake City) and in the beginning she had big dreams. Don't we all? She fought a good fight to keep her business going despite advice from everyone who knew and loved her telling her to just give up. But unlike the big company I now work for, she had a heart and she cared about every person who worked for her -- she even cared for me, despite the fact that we didn't really know one another that well as I had not been with Edish that long. Miriam worried about people not having insurance or paychecks. She should be commended for that. There are a few dramas in the story and it was nice to get some behind-the-scene details but it turns out the story is much as I expected it to be, although I didn't know the degree to which it would affect Miriam. That makes me sad. There's more to this story and it doesn't necessarily involve drama. Selling discontinued china, crystal and silver was very rewarding, not only was it lovely to be surrounded by all these works of art, it was so rewarding to hear the stories of the customers as they walked the aisles and spotted their loved ones china patterns. They would tell me stories about the meals they shared or how hard they had been looking for a certain piece because Uncle So and So had broken this or that. Call me sappy but I loved hearing these stories. From reading this book, you will also learn that Miriam didn't want to be a failure. She's not a failure. People failed her. She may have made some mistakes, but she didn't make them alone. But she could never be a failure because she simply has too much heart and soul for that. If you have ever eaten dinner off of a dinner plate or had a drink in a glass or even eaten with a fork and knife, you must buy this book. :) 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. The humor during closing her business is amazing! By Shauna Burrow I had no idea losing your business could be so interesting! Miriam's humor and point of view of the PEOPLE through these months of despair is amazing. It really is about the people and there are plenty of them. It really was a terrible thing, all the people in this country who lost their business' post the 08 crash, but this story is really about the journey. And it really is all about the journey not the destination! Thanks Miriam for a GREAT read! 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Hard to put down! By Jill Excellent read. Amazing that a story with the obvious ending, can be so rich and entertaining! Somehow, I laughed out loud! Miriam has a great sense of humor that shows throughout! I loved this book!

IN EARLY 2007, Edish.com was a thriving discontinued china business with two stores, a huge internet presence, and well over two hundred thousand loyal customers. By January 2009, the company was on the brink of failure. *Discontinued: What I Lost and Found During the Recession* is the timely and dramatic story of the last six months in the life of Edish.com. The story chronicles the ups and downs of attempting to save the business and of the author's relationship with her two partners -- one a prominent appraiser on Antiques Roadshow, the other a renowned eye surgeon, both her close friends for almost two decades. The book reveals shocking betrayal and profound loyalty, exposing human nature at its best and worst -- and answers pressing questions you surely have like Does bone china really have bones in it? and What did Martha Stewart do when the author suggested on national TV that an antique chamber pot could be used for a popcorn bowl?