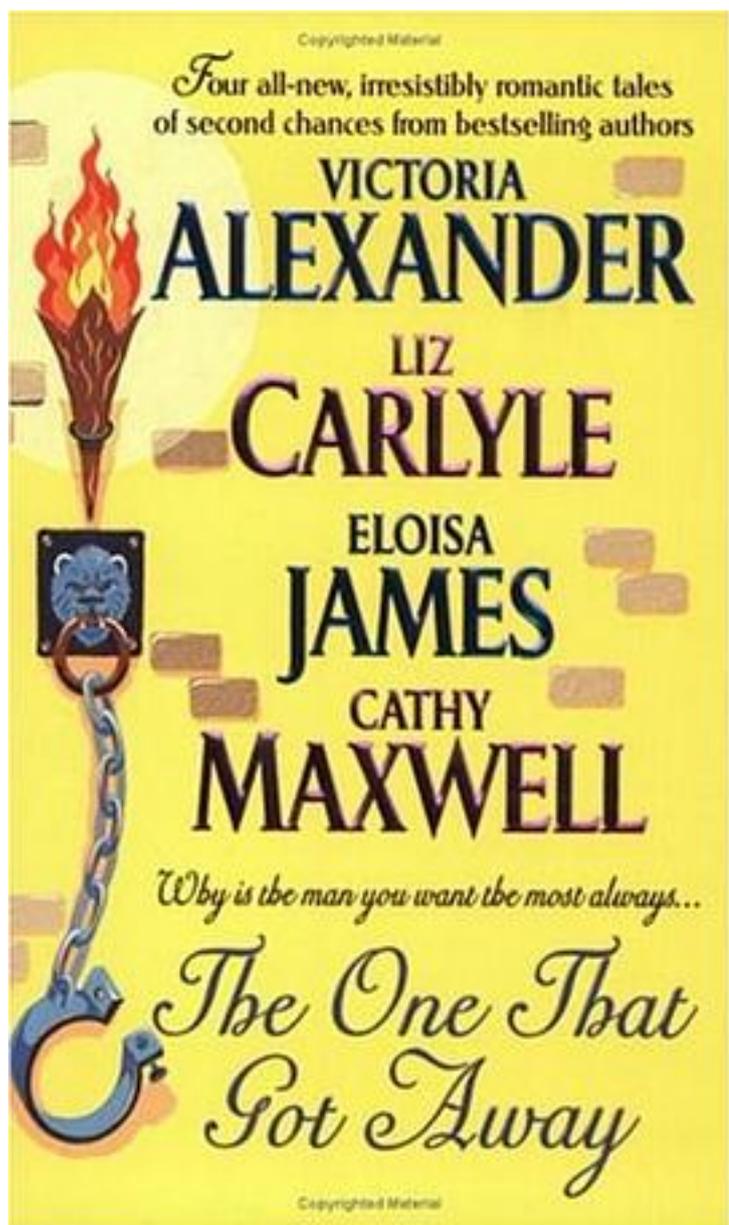


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"An extraordinary writer . . . seductive, brilliant and precious, her talent glitters."

--Toni Morrison "Zoë Wicomb's new stories combine the coolly interrogative gaze of the outsider with an insider's intimate warmth."

--J.M. Coetzee The appearance of Zoe Wicomb's first set of short stories, *You Can't Get Lost in Capetown*, precipitated an ardent international fan club that has come to include the writers Toni Morrison, J.M. Coetzee, Bharati Mukherjee, Gayatri Chakravorty Spivak, as well as critics at the *New York Times*, the *Times of London*, the *Wall Street Journal*, the *New Yorker*, and the *Christian Science Monitor*. Now, after two novels, Wicomb returns to the genre that first brought her international acclaim. Set mostly in Capetown and Glasgow, Wicomb's new collection of short stories straddles dual worlds. An array of characters drawn with extraordinary acuity inhabit a complexly interconnected, twenty-first-century universe. The fourteen stories in this collection, most previously unpublished, explore a spectrum of human relationships: marriage, friendship, family ties, neighbors, and relations between those who serve and are served. Wicomb's intriguing characters include the adolescent girl Elsie navigating between her new life in the icy city of Glasgow and her family's vexed history in South Africa, and Dot and Julie, a pair of friends once united by the color of their skin and now discovering how time and marriage have divided their paths. Wicomb's fluid, shifting technique questions conventional certainties and makes for exhilarating reading, full of ironic twists, ambiguities, and moments of startling insight. Long awaited, *The One That Got Away* showcases this brilliant, award-winning author at the height of her powers.

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