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#### About the Author

**Stephen Birmingham** is a preeminent social historian, known for his books *The Right People, Real Lace*, and *The Grandees*. He allows his reader unparalleled access to the most exclusive society sets, and tells their stories with great warmth and wit.

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