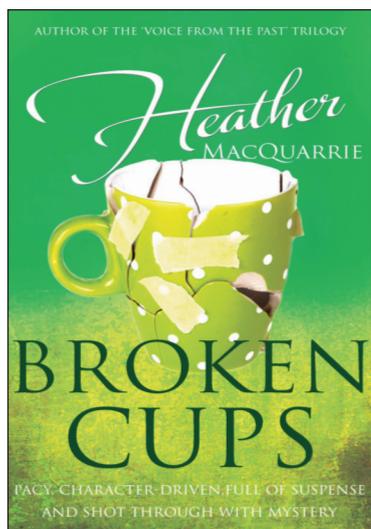




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BROKEN CUPS

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Imogen Tomlinson has always been proud of her stable upbringing and longs for a family of her own. But just as she finds herself falling in love and begins to revel in the happiness she has craved for so long, her hopes are shattered by something in a diary written by her mother, Joanna, over twenty years ago; something that shocks her to the core.

Jillian Taylor-Scott has been Imogen's best friend since school. Now, sharing a flat, they both forge new relationships, whilst remaining close to each other and to their respective families. But what is Imogen hiding from Jillian? Why do the two families appear to shun each other? Some secrets are just too awful to reveal, even to a best friend...

Maggie Redpath has never known family harmony. The product of a failed marriage, she is afraid to commit to her own boyfriend, worried that history might just repeat itself. When she and Jillian meet through a work project, they become good friends, unaware at first of a tenuous link to Imogen's past love life.

Gertrude Cartwright is the colourful mainstay of her family. Grandmother to Grant, Rebecca, Robyn and Alastair as well as surrogate grandmother to Bradley Harrington, she has kept everyone happy through thick and thin. She welcomes both Jillian and Imogen with open arms. But what will happen when Joanna's secret is finally revealed..?

Broken Cups weaves together the stories of several intriguing *dramatis personae* to bring us a pacy, character-driven novel, full of suspense and shot through with mystery. Written in a similar style to Heather's previous novels, it will be enjoyed by fans of romance and mystery fiction.

HEATHER MACQUARRIE was born in Belfast, Northern Ireland and now divides her time between her home there and Portugal. She is happily married to Ross and they have two sons and one young granddaughter. Heather recently left a long career in teaching to pursue other interests and concentrate on her writing. Her previous three books are *Blood is Thicker* (2015), *In the Greater Scheme of Things* (2014) and *A Voice from the Past* (2013).

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