

BOOK CLUB KIT





DEAR READER

I was inspired to write *Red Thread of Fate* when my husband and I traveled to China in 2016 to adopt our little boy. The international adoption process is long, filled with tedious paperwork that literally took six months to compile, and also filled with scrutiny from the US and Chinese governments. Add to that the emotional turmoil, and I thought to myself, what would I do if I was doing this by myself? And that's how Tam, Mia, and Angela were born. Tam's story is a figment of my imagination, but her journey to get Charlie was based on real events. With this book, I wanted to shed light on how families can be formed, not always by blood, but by a bond and a love that surpasses all obstacles.

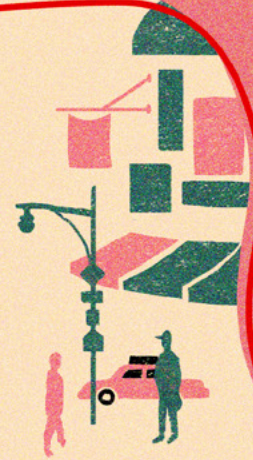
I hope you as the reader not only get a glimpse into the adoption process but can also discuss the moral dilemmas that both Tam and Mia faced. What would you do for the person you thought was the love of your life? What would you do if you were in Tam's shoes? In Mia's shoes? This book was written from my heart, and although the situations are all fictitious, the challenges both women face are very real.

Thank you for reading and discussing *Red Thread of Fate*. I'm honored and excited to share Tam's and Mia's stories with you all.

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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS



1.

Do you believe in fate or destiny, and that there are people you are meant to be with in your life?

2.

If you were in Tam's situation, would you have taken in Angela and completed the adoption for Charlie? Are you a single parent or with a partner, and does that have any effect on what you would have done?

3.

Mia did something inexcusable in Tam's eyes. After hearing Mia's story, do you feel any sympathy toward Mia, and can you understand some of why she did what she did?

4.

Have you tried any of the food mentioned in this book? Which would you like to try? (Note: egg custard tarts would be a great addition to your book club meeting!)

5.

What's one thing you've learned from reading this book that has made you think?

6.

Mia thought the red thread was between Tam and Tony. Do you agree? And if not, who do you think Tam's red thread was really connected to? What about Mia?

7.

What did you think about the men in the book: Tony, Adam, and Kenny? Was Tony weak for not figuring out the truth and telling his wife? What did you think of Adam's friendship with Tam? Did you feel any sympathy for Kenny at all?

8.

Tam's mom is an important secondary character. How did you feel about her?

9.

Abby proves to be a great friend to Tam. Do you have a friend like this, who would drop everything to help you if something catastrophic happened to you?



TAKE A TRIP TO CHINA

Here are some
photos from our trip
to China, and some
places Tam
and Angela visit in
the book!

Learn about Tam and Angela's
journey to China here:
bit.ly/redthreadoffatejourney



From top to bottom:
Shamian Island
Chimelong Safari Park
Tiananmen Square
The Great Wall of China

