



## The Sailor's Ransom: A Bella Wallis Mystery

By Thompson, Brian.

Vintage. 1 Paperback(s), 2010. soft. Book Condition: New. London is alive with gossip about the thrilling book by sensationalist author Henry Ellis Margambut only a select group of people know that the real author is high-society widow Bella Wallis. In her second, ripping outing, from Costa Book Award winner Brian Thompson, one of Bella's confidantes, the dashing Philip Westland, comes to her with a problem: his best friend Kennett is smitten with heiress Mary Skillane, but Mary's father Sir William has promised her to a vulgar treasure-seeker named Robert Judd. Mary is due to inherit the Skillane pearls, currently residing in a Cornish bank vault, but it seems that the pearls were ill-gotten. Can Bella and her friends reunite the young lovers and expose the villainous Judd?"The atmosphere is delicious, tangible, and irresistible. The dialogue is believably Victorian. And Bella Wallis is a joy to follow around through a few hundred pages."Historical Novels Review 252.



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