

## A pinch of luck, a spoonful of joy and lots of love – the real taste of life



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**Petra Durst-Benning** has been freelancing full time as a writer for over twenty years. Almost all her novels have been Spiegel bestsellers and have been translated in numerous languages. She is also a celebrated author in the US.

Theresa is a mayor and loves her native Swabian home – meadows with juicy yellow dandelions, a few rolling hills and, in the middle of it all, Maierhofen. But the young people are all moving away and the village square is becoming emptier and emptier. When Theresa falls ill and the village is on the verge of non-existence, the entire population pulls itself together – be it the three old men who are always to be found sitting on a bench, the clumsy butcher Edy or the shy Christine. And they all have one aim only: to save their beautiful little town and create the first gourmet village ever – a place in which good taste rules!

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