

**"Manuela Inusa writes easily, always emotionally and with a big pinch of humour." *Freie Presse***



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Manuela Inusa, born in 1981, knew even as a child that she was going to be a writer one day. Her short stories, novels and more than thirty self-published novelettes have reached many readers. Her bestselling Valerie Lane series quickly found an enthusiastic readership and conquered the Spiegel bestseller list.

Cecilia runs her vanilla farm in Napa Valley in California with a lot of love. She not only trades with the spice, but also adores using it to make delicious goodies. Unfortunately, her passion leaves Cecilia but little time for her best friend, Julia, not to mention her private life.

A TV feature about Cecilia's plantation and her special vanilla creations awakes the interest of Richard Banks, the owner of a luxury hotel, and he promptly invites her to take part in a vanilla seminar and herself hold lectures. Cecilia is thrilled; after all, the resort is on snowy Lake Tahoe – the perfect opportunity to experience some real wintery atmosphere! She doesn't realize that Richard finds that not only her vanilla cookies are as sweet as sugar ...

The new *Californian Dreams* series continues in April 2020.