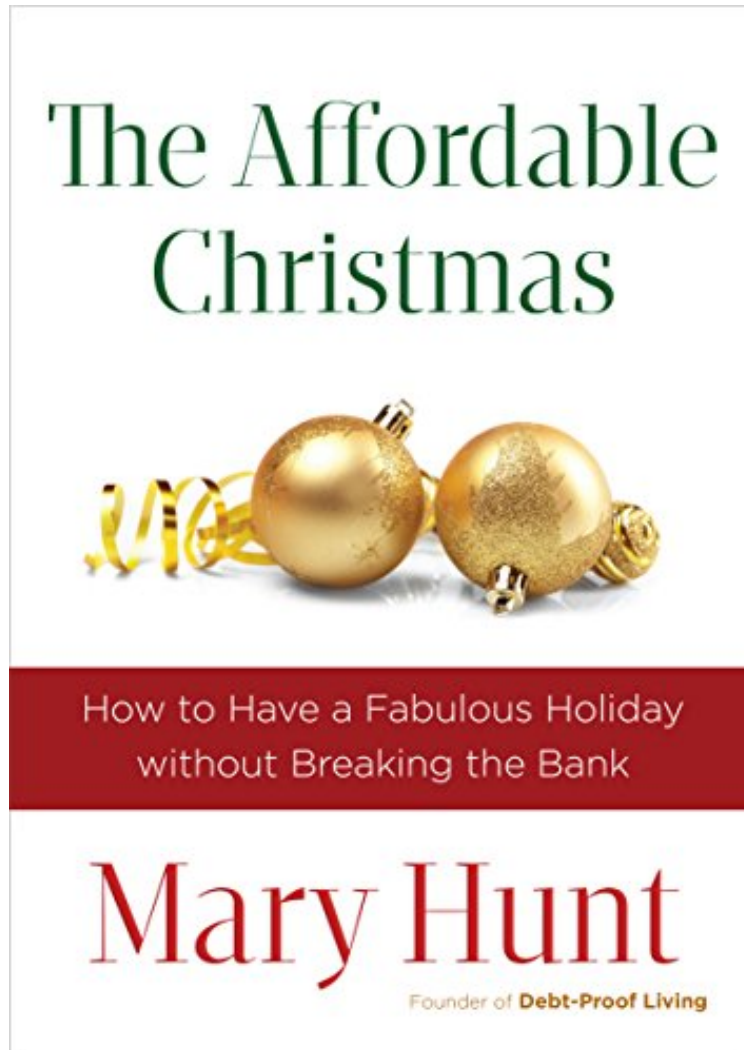


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holiday is so commercialized now we have gotten away from the true meaning of the holiday. Preparing and planning and other ways to cut back are discussed. Each chapter ends with a letter from how one person's Christmas holiday and how they coped with a change. Liked the sections on bargain shopping and the recipes and listings of books for the holiday season. Lots of gift ideas and traditions that are easy to make/do that won't break your budget. Very extensive index at the end. Other works by the author are highlighted at the end of the book.

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. A Valuable Resource By Daily Reader Excellent way to assess your Christmas spending and gift-giving by planning ahead. Also offers some great ideas to make gift giving truly special, with creative ideas for everyone from kids to senior citizens. One premise is that "a gift from the heart is a gift of time and talent," encouraging you to think of ways to tailor the gift to things you can do for other people. This prompted me to make personalized Christmas cards for my 93-year old aunt. I even scanned her signature into each card and hand-addressed each envelope. I mailed 30 cards to her in Canada. All she had to do was apply the Canadian postage and drop them in the mail. I don't know who was more thrilled with the gift - my aunt or me. It was the perfect gift. This book covers not only spending, but family values, relationship and traditions as well. It helped me focus on a more meaningful Christmas. Each gift I gave was a gift of love meant specifically for that individual. A valuable resource.

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Fantastic, Practical Advice for Planning and Executing A Debt-Free Christmas Season By J. Robideau After seeing so many people go into debt and spend ridiculous amounts of money because of perceived obligations, it was a breath of fresh air to see this book full of practical and realistic advice for planning and avoiding debt during the holiday season. This book is highly recommended for anyone who wants to break out of the rampant consumerism being foisted on us in the Christmas season!

Christmas may be the most wonderful time of the year, but it's also one of the most stressful--and most expensive. Expectations run high and it's tempting to whip out the credit cards to create the perfect Christmas for your family, with lavish meals, new decorations, and the latest, greatest gadgets and fashions for everyone on your Christmas gift list. But you don't have to overspend or go into debt to have a fabulous holiday. Financial expert Mary Hunt shows readers how. She helps readers assess their financial situation, commit to no new debt, and think creatively about their gift list. With Mary's guidance, readers will identify what has caused them to overspend in the past and approach this Christmas with a plan and a new attitude toward holiday spending. This just might be the best gift you can give yourself and your family. This book is an updated edition of *Debt-Proof the Holidays*.

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