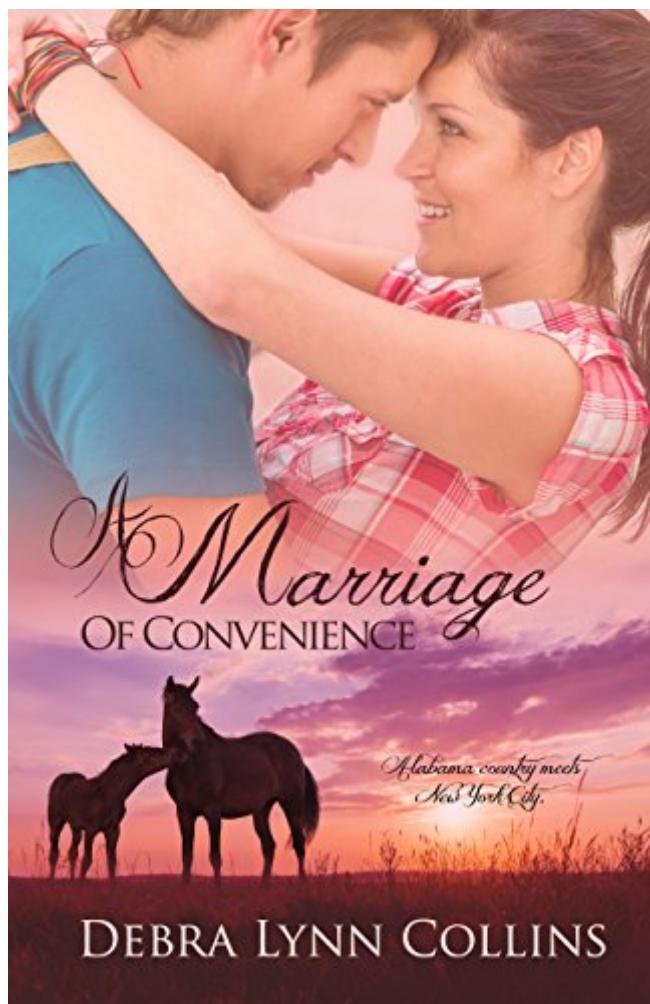


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# A Marriage Of Convenience: Contemporary Christian Romance (Alabama Brides Book 1)



## **Synopsis**

She's Alabama country, He's New York City, thrown together by an inheritance they both desperately need. \*\*\* In Martin Chapmanâ™s will, his final request is a peculiar one. Upon the day of their marriage, his caregiver Lily Meyers and his grandson Bryce Fowler will become joint beneficiaries of his entire estate, which includes the Chapman Quarter Horse Ranch. Thereâ™s only one problem, Lily and Bryce have never met. For the past three years, Lily and her five-year-old son Joey have lived on the ranch with Martin, never knowing they might inherit anything. Will Lily uproot her son from the only stable home heâ™s ever known, or will she marry a man she doesnâ™t know to secure her sonâ™s future? Bryceâ™s decision isnâ™t an easy one either. Will he leave the fast pace and bright city lights of New York City to move to the sleepy little town in Trinity, Alabama, or will the cowboy life and Lily prove challenging enough to chase him back to his comfort zone?

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## Customer Reviews

There's something about the marriage of convenience plot that piques my interest. Perhaps it's because we live in a society where arranged marriages aren't the norm, and it's interesting to see how a couple with seemingly nothing in common are thrown together by circumstance (aka the plot machinations of the author), and discover there is some commonality between them after all. *A Marriage of Convenience*, debut novel from Debra Lynn Collins, has a lot going for it. A beautiful cover. Cowboys and horses. Good writing. Likeable characters, and a solid plot that manages to make what could be a contrived arrangement somehow work. Lily Meyers is the widowed mother of five-year-old Joey, and the man she's been employed by for the last three years has just died. She never expected to feature in Martin Chapman's will, much less to inherit half of the Chapman Quarter Horse Ranch. But there's a condition: she has to marry Martin's grandson, Bryce Fowler. For his part, Bryce has resented his grandfather for years, ever since the old man threw in his New York job, moved to Alabama to breed and train horses, and never wrote or called despite the fact Bryce was his only grandchild. But he wants his inheritance, so decides he's prepared to go through with a platonic marriage of convenience. At least, that's the plan. *[Look away now if you don't want to read the spoiler.]* Everything was going well for the first 92% of the book. Well, if not exactly *à œwell*, the plot was moving along with a good balance of conflict and resolution, and two characters who were gradually finding their way towards each other. Bryce has also discovered what a lying and deceitful piece of work his mother is, and has shared that information with Lily.

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