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[On Being 40\(ish\)](#) Simon & Schuster

In Ripening Time: Inside Stories for Aging with Grace, Sherry Ruth Anderson presents a new perspective on aging. In her latest book, the bestselling author of *The Feminine Face of God* and *The Cultural Creatives* invites the reader to engage the aging process through the art of inner inquiry. She guides us beyond our culture's mind traps through stories where elders face into the lies, the losses and endings, the tender and bittersweet and ferocious truths of growing old. Giving us an indispensable compass, she shows how growing into old age can be a fruition, the genuine grace and gift of human ripening.

[Aging with Dignity, Living with Grace](#) Bantam

'In this moving and tender meditation on the process of growing old, Carmel Shalev reveals ageing as a new beginning rather than a shameful ending of life.' -- Stephen Batchelor Drawing on the insights of Buddhism, *In Praise of Ageing* invites the reader to meet the challenges of growing older with an open mind in order to age with grace, understanding and wisdom. Written by an Israeli human rights lawyer who specialized in bio-ethics, including end-of-life care, the book looks at the current cultural context of youth versus age, and weaves the author's personal experiences of her own and her parents' ageing with ancient Buddhist wisdom that accepts growing older as a natural process. All phenomena appear, fade and disappear. So, too, our lives proceed from birth to death. The four parts of the book address reality, vulnerability, identity and meaning. We can acknowledge reality, see the impermanence of the weakening body, and accept that we are subject to ageing, sickness and death. But we also must deal with the social prejudices against ageing that bring new vulnerabilities, such as the questions of identity that arise when we retire from the workforce. This book shows that it is nonetheless in our hands to shape our place in the world and find meaning as elders with love, compassion, joy and equanimity. Ageing, indeed, has its hardships. Yet we have a choice how to relate to our experience - with animosity or friendliness. If we open our minds to ageing with a compassionate, curious and courageous heart, we can find treasures of wisdom to share as our heritage to future generations.

[Healing Your Grief About Aging](#) Cruciform Quick

Filled with lessons learned over fifty years as a performer and lead singer for the legendary group, The 5th Dimension, Florence

LaRue reminds us that it's never too late to start being the best you that God meant you to be - happy and healthy, as well as physically, mentally and spiritually beautiful.'

[Aging with Wisdom and Grace](#) UNC Press Books

A groundbreaking approach to aging from one of France's best-known clinical psychologists. How should we accept growing old? It's an inevitable progression and yet in Western society the very subject of aging is often taboo and shrouded in anxiety and shame. Not anymore, says Marie de Hennezel, an internationally renowned clinical psychologist and bestselling author. Now that our lives are longer and richer than ever before, it's imperative to demystify our greatest fear and cultivate a positive awareness of aging. In this timely and essential book, de Hennezel offers a fresh perspective on the art of growing old. She confronts head-on the inevitable grief we sustain at the loss of our youth and explains how refusing to age and move forward in life is actually what makes us become old. Combining personal anecdotes with psychological theory, philosophy, and eye-opening scientific research from around the world, she shows why we should look forward to embracing everything aging has to offer in terms of human and spiritual enrichment. *The Art of Growing Old* is a thought-provoking, brave, and uplifting meditation on the later years as they should be lived.

[Growing Older with Grace, Elan and Style](#) Henschelhaus Publishing, Incorporated

This book provides valuable and practical tips on how to age gracefully, including maintaining a positive attitude, going solo, ensuring your safety, when to give up the car, staying healthy, deciding to retire, figuring out your finances, building your support system, and facing end-of-life choices.

[Aging Famously](#) Createspace Independent Publishing Platform Author Elizabeth Meade Howard felt abruptly promoted to family elder after the death of her father, an adman, writer, teacher and her lifelong role model. When facing her own later years, Howard sought guidance from resourceful and resilient older men and women whom she admired for their imagination, adaptability and graceful aging. Some were famous. In 30 intimate and often moving interviews with journalists, poets, politicians, actors and artists, Howard reveals the lasting legacies of creative people in their 70s, 80s and beyond. Interspersed throughout the book are short chapters weaving together Howard's family story with insights gathered from scholars and scientists who have researched the aging process.

[Aging Faithfully](#) CreateSpace

Greater age brings greater sorrow but also greater joy, especially

to those who are in Christ. As we grow older, the Bible instructs us to age gracefully, wisely, and resolutely to the glory of God. To do this we must age in Christ and for Christ. What does that look like? What can we be doing now to ensure we finish this race strong?

[Insights to Real-Life Challenges of Aging for Adult Children and Their Parents](#) Tyndale House Pub

Celebrate the blessing of aging and the gift of life. In *Joyfully Aging* readers will gain insight on the limitless opportunity to witness their faith to others and live vibrant, grace-filled lives.

[The Virtues of Aging](#) Artisan Books

For fans of David Sedaris and Nora Ephron, here is a humorous, irreverent, and poignant look at the gifts, stereotypes, and inevitable challenges of aging, based on the wildly popular *New York Times* essay from award-winning journalist Steven Petrow. Soon after his 50th birthday, Steven Petrow began assembling a list of "things I won't do when I get old"—mostly a catalog of all the things he thought his then 70-something year old parents were doing wrong. That list, which included "You won't have to shout at me that I'm deaf," and "I won't blame the family dog for my incontinence," became the basis of this rousing collection of do's and don'ts, wills and won'ts that is equal parts hilarious, honest, and practical. The fact is, we don't want to age the way previous generations did. "Old people" hoard. They bore relatives—and strangers—with tales of their aches and pains. They insist on driving long after they've become a danger to others (and themselves). They eat dinner at 4pm. They swear they don't need a cane or walker (and guess what happens next). They never, ever apologize. But there is another way . . . In *Stupid Things I Won't Do When I Get Old*, Petrow candidly addresses the fears, frustrations, and stereotypes that accompany aging. He offers a blueprint for the new old age, and an understanding that aging and illness are not the same. As he writes, "I meant the list to serve as a pointed reminder—to me—to make different choices when I eventually cross the threshold to 'old.'" Getting older is a privilege. This essential guide reveals how to do it with grace, wisdom, humor, and hope. And without hoarding.

[Flourishing in an Anti-Aging Culture](#) Avery

Fifteen powerful women and writers you know and love—from the pages of *The New Yorker*, *The New York Times*, *Vogue*, *Glamour*, and *The Atlantic*—offer captivating, intimate, and candid explorations about what it's really like turning forty—and that the best is yet to come. The big 4-0. Like eighteen and twenty-one, this is a major and meaningful milestone our lives—especially for women. Turning forty is a poignant doorway between youth

and...what comes after; a crossroads to reflect on the roads taken and not, and the paths yet before you. The decade that follows is ripe for nostalgia, inspiration, wisdom, and personal growth. In this dazzling collection, fifteen writers explore this rich phase in essays that are profound, moving, and above all, brimming with joie de vivre. With a diverse array of voices—including Veronica Chambers, Meghan Daum, Kate Bolick, Taffy Brodesser-Akner, Sloane Crosley, KJ Dell'Antonia, Julie Klam, Jessica Lahey, Catherine Newman, Sujean Rim, Jena Schwartz, Sophronia Scott, Allison Winn Scotch, Lee Woodruff, and Jill Kargman—On Being 40(ish) offers a range of universal themes—friendship, independence, sex, beauty, aging, wisdom, and the passage of time. On Being 40(ish) reflects the hopes, fears, challenges, and opportunities of a generation. Beautifully designed, this is “a must read for anyone 40ish or beyond...Like a pep talk from your big sister, favorite cousin, and wise best friend” (Joanna Goddard, Cup of Jo).

*In Praise of Ageing* Ballantine Books

On January 4th 2010, I had stopped by a woman's home to speak to her 21 year-old son, at her request. It turns out he was suffering from severe mental illness. Without warning, he punched me so hard I flew through the air, landed on my back and then found him on top of me with my arms pinned under his legs while he drove about six or seven rage filled punches into my head sending my skull smashing into the solid hard-wood kitchen floor. The result of that incident: I have brain damage that has dramatically impacted every aspect of my life; impaired my ability to do the work I've done all of my career as a writer/producer/director on 130 prime time television episodes and 4 feature films and left me wondering, how do I overcome these challenges? As a result, I got to thinking, "how many other people, especially those who are either middle aged, or those of us who are 'baby boomers,' get blindsided by some event that they didn't see coming?" In this book, I tell you how I was able to overcome this adversity, find peace of mind and prosperity as a mature person.

*A True Story of Grace's Adventure to Washington, DC* Little, Brown Spark

There is a confidence, poise, and sophistication that only comes with age. It is a certain serenity and joie de vivre. It might have come at a high cost. It might be carved out of knowledge that there is still life after illness, tragedy, and heartache. It is the realization that despite all of that, we can all still find moments of deep joy. If we are lucky enough to survive all the things life throws at us and are in our second act of life, let's be sure to embrace life and learn to make the most of every moment. In this book, you will find inspiration, motivation, and reassurance that you can have your best life ever during your later years. For the most part, we have little control over what happens to us. Mostly, all we can control is how we respond. Attitude is everything. This is the time of life to take control of that attitude. To embrace what we as older women have that younger women don't have, but will also one day earn if they are lucky enough. There is a reason that men in Paris and Rome seek out women "of a certain age" who are witty, self-confidence, and utterly comfortable in their own skin. They may or may not have the body they had when they were in their twenties and that's okay because their joie de vivre, nonchalant attitude and worldliness make them more beguiling and mesmerizing than their younger counterparts. And, in fact, many women are finding that with age and self-confidence comes a new eating and fitness regime that has helped them have the body they dreamed of decades earlier. Learn how to embrace growing older. Learn how to make these the best years of your life. Take a page out of chic French and Italian women of a certain

age and learn to live with joie de vivre and truly embrace growing older by becoming utterly comfortable in one's skin. This inspirational and practical guide will show you easy ways to grow old gracefully by focusing on style, fitness, morning routines, balance in your life, work, relationships, health, makeup, attitude, motivational and inspirational icons and ways to continually enrich your life. This indispensable book is one that you will keep on your nightstand and refer to often for inspiration.

*How to Age Gracefully* Bulfinch Press

This book offers a concise, comprehensive resource for middle-aged readers who are facing the prospects of their own aging and of caring for elderly relatives—an often overwhelming task for which little in life prepares us. • Covers a broad range of topics and offers a wealth of practical advice that should be considered by individuals who are planning for old age, supplying a comprehensive "one-stop" resource on the subject • Presents interdisciplinary perspectives that draws on the author's background in law and bioethics as well as personal experience with health care and the elderly • Combines thorough scholarly research and analysis with engaging anecdotes and personal observations • Provides a preparedness checklist at the end of each chapter that summarizes take-away messages and outlines practical next steps for the reader

*How to Age with Grace* NavPress

In 1986 Dr. David Snowdon, one of the world's leading experts on Alzheimer's disease, embarked on a revolutionary scientific study that would forever change the way we view aging—and ultimately living. Dubbed the “Nun Study” because it involves a unique population of 678 Catholic sisters, this remarkable long-term research project has made headlines worldwide with its provocative discoveries. Yet *Aging with Grace* is more than a groundbreaking health and science book. It is the inspiring human story of these remarkable women—ranging in age from 74 to 106—whose dedication to serving others may help all of us live longer and healthier lives. Totally accessible, with fascinating portraits of the nuns and the scientists who study them, *Aging with Grace* also offers a wealth of practical findings: • Why building linguistic ability in childhood may protect against Alzheimer's • Which ordinary foods promote longevity and healthy brain function • Why preventing strokes and depression is key to avoiding Alzheimer's • What role heredity plays, and why it's never too late to start an exercise program • How attitude, faith, and community can add years to our lives A prescription for hope, *Aging with Grace* shows that old age doesn't have to mean an inevitable slide into illness and disability; rather it can be a time of promise and productivity, intellectual and spiritual vigor—a time of true grace.

*100 Practical Ideas on Growing Older with Confidence, Meaning and Grace* Createspace Independent Publishing Platform

Written by bestselling authors Gerald G. Jampolsky, M.D., and Diane Cirincione, Ph.D, this book will change your mind about aging. It offers inspiring new perceptions for living the second half of your life with inner peace, happiness, and tranquility, regardless of what may be happening to your body and mind. In these pages you'll discover how your fears about aging are reversible, and how you can live in a consciousness of giving, making forgiveness and love a way of life. Drawing from the principles of Attitudinal Healing, this upbeat, positive book conveys simple but powerful guidelines for aging with grace, openness, and a childlike sense of wonder. Heartfelt stories about people in their 70s, 80s and beyond demonstrate how others have applied these boundless gifts, illustrating the many ways Attitudinal Healing can transform each of our lives and the lives of those around us. Praised by readers from 30 to 90-plus years of age, this is a must read for everyone who has begun to think

about aging.

**What the Nun Study Teaches Us About Leading Longer, Healthier, and More Meaningful Lives** John Hunt Publishing

The challenges of moving the elderly from one home to the next are frequently faced by both generations: seniors and their adult children. This book of compelling stories about this later-in-life event, often unexpected in its timing and scope, delivers points of view from the parents, adult children, and professional move managers. These real-life issues of communication, downsizing decisions pertaining to personal possessions, and sharing and sustaining memories convey the love, compassion, disappointment, and perseverance experienced by those coping through this difficult transitional time, reminding readers that they are not alone. The grace and grit exhibited in these true stories—from loved ones, friends, and other regular people—will bring solace through inspiration.

**A Guide to Aging Gracefully** Citadel Press

This collection of essays from 17 writers includes a spectrum of aging topics: finances, health—including the changing brain, cancer, and heart disease—choosing a home, caregiving, ethical wills, aging parents, and spirituality.

*Grace and Grit* Watkins Media Limited

Getting older goes hand in hand with losses of many kinds—ending careers, empty nests, illness, the deaths of loved ones—and this book by one of the world's most beloved grief experts helps one acknowledge and mourn the many losses of aging while also offering advice for living better in old age. The 100 practical tips and activities address the emotional, spiritual, cognitive, social, and physical needs of seniors who want to age authentically and gracefully, and each idea also includes a seize-the-day action to live fully and with joy in the present moment. For those who've just entered their 50s or are well on their way to the century mark, this book promises elder-friendly tips for comfort, laughter, and inspiration.

*ABCs of Youthful Living* Penguin

From the revered author of the bestselling *The Hidden Life of Dogs*, a witty, engaging, life-affirming account of the joy, strength, and wisdom that comes with age. Elizabeth Marshall Thomas has spent a lifetime observing the natural world, chronicling the customs of pre-contact hunter-gatherers and the secret lives of deer and dogs. In this book, the capstone of her long career, Thomas, now eighty-eight, turns her keen eye to her own life. The result is an account of growing old that is at once funny and charming and intimate and profound, both a memoir and a life-affirming map all of us may follow to embrace our later years with grace and dignity. A charmingly intimate account and a broad look at the social and historical traditions related to aging, *Growing Old* explores a wide range of issues connected with growing older, from stereotypes of the elderly as burdensome to the methods of burial humans have used throughout history to how to deal with a concerned neighbor who assumes you're buying cat food to eat for dinner. Written with the wit of Nora Ephron's *I Feel Bad About My Neck* and the lyrical beauty and serene wisdom of *When Breath Becomes Air*, *Growing Old* is an expansive and deeply personal paean to the beauty and the brevity of life that offers understanding for everyone, regardless of age.

*Growing Older Without Fear* Aging with Grace Flourishing in an Anti-Aging Culture

*Aging with Wisdom and Grace* explores the contributions faith can make to optimal aging, providing a Christian perspective on such topics as: loss and diminishment, loneliness and suffering, death and dying, regrets and unhealed wounds, gratitude, and generativity.

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