



## **Book Club Questions**

### **The Briar Club by Kate Quinn**

1. The Briarwood House narrates some of the chapters. Does hearing its "voice" change how we see everything that happens? Does this shift in perspective change your understanding of events? Why do you think the author did this?
2. Women play a central role in this book. How do these female characters challenge traditional gender roles?
3. How well did the story show the many different kinds of women that made up 1950s American society? How do their different backgrounds add to the dynamics of the group?
4. What obstacles do the women in this book face in achieving their goals, and does the novel portray the changing role of women in the 1920s?
5. The book opens with a brutal double murder. Do you think the murders should have played a more significant part in the book? Were you surprised when the victims and the murderers were finally revealed?
6. How does the novel explore themes of class, gender, political corruption, and social justice?
7. What role does family play in the lives of the characters?
8. How does the novel address the impact of war and trauma on individuals and society?
9. Did any of the novel's themes or events inspire you to further research the 1950s or the war?

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