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With great delicacy, Camille Froidevaux-Metterie depicts a constellation of women in a novel of deeply moving twists and turns.

A choral debut novel of women's voices raised in free and joyous song, hailing the arrival of the baby Eve, born of an unconventional, loving desire. Stephanie has always wanted to be a mother without a partner. She goes to Spain for IVF, unavailable in France. As the delivery date nears, all involved— sisters, nieces, friends, a nanny—reflect on their lives and bodies, even the unborn Eve, to whom Froidevaux-Metterie lends an ironic, unsentimental voice. Feminism, private sorrows, and celebratory preparations all intertwine. Nothing goes as planned in this novel by turns tender and caustic, full of surprising reversals, and featuring a female cast handled with great aplomb.

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