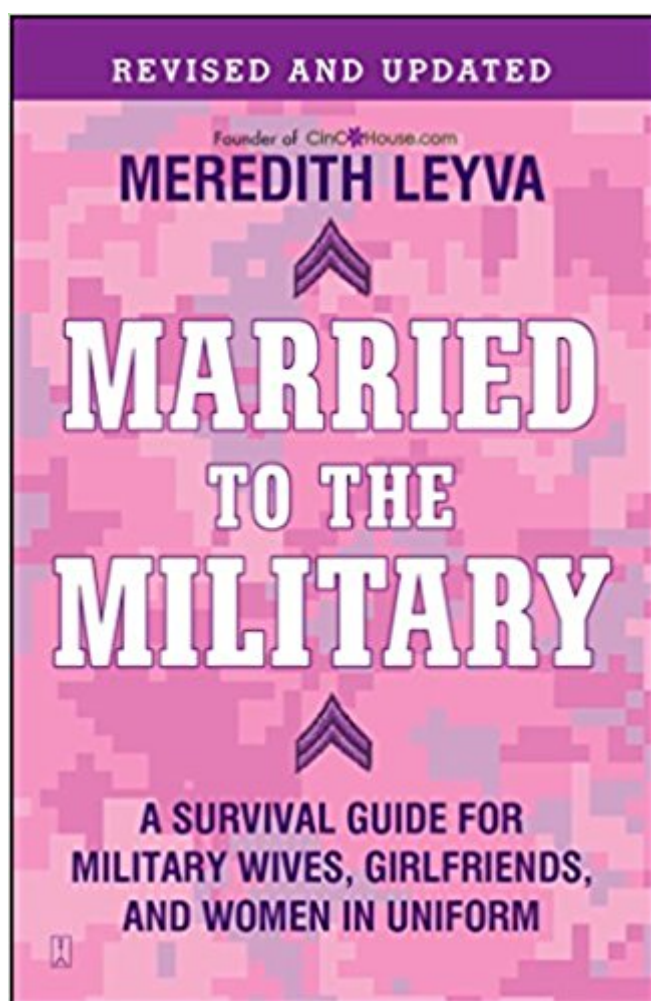


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# Married To The Military: A Survival Guide For Military Wives, Girlfriends, And Women In Uniform



## Synopsis

The Unofficial Scoop on Military Life Whether you're dating, engaged, or married to an active military servicemember or reservist or you've just signed up yourself you may feel as if you've somehow married the United States military! While there are plenty of orientation books for him, there are almost no handy, user-friendly resources for you. Meredith Leyva, a military wife and founder of CinCHouse.com, the Internet's largest community for military wives, girlfriends, and women in uniform, details everything you need to know to manage day-to-day issues and get on with the adventure of military life. From relocation to deployment, protocol to finances, and career to kids, Leyva offers time-tested advice about:

- Keeping your love life together during deployments
- Relocating yourself and your family around the world
- Maintaining your own career when you're expected to move every three years
- Understanding what pay and benefits you're entitled to and how to maximize them
- Translating those odd acronyms and jargon

Written by a seasoned military wife, this smart and savvy guide will help you take control at every point of your servicemember's career from filing marriage papers as newlyweds to choosing prenatal and child care when you start a family to figuring out his pension when he's ready to retire.

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"For someone new to military life, adjusting can sometimes be overwhelming. Married to the Military provides great information and a commonsense approach that will help military wives and significant

others make the best of their experiences." -- Sylvia Kidd, director of family programs for the Association of the U.S. Army (AUSA) and spouse of the Sergeant Major of the Army (Ret.)

Meredith Leyva is the founder and editor of CinCHouse.com, the Internet's largest community for military wives and women in uniform. Leyva currently resides with her family in Norfolk, Virginia, where her husband is stationed aboard the USS >.

This book is not really anything special because it is not very different than any of the other books out there for military wives. I find that it is mostly a vehicle to promote her website instead of giving you the true insider's view of military life. I get much better information from support websites specific to the branch of the military that my husband is in. It is not worth the money I spent on it.

I got this for my wife, before I leave for basic, and now she knows a lot more than I do. I haven't read it myself but the information she's repeating back is germane and accurate. She says it's great and it has provided some pre-enlistment advice that has proven extremely valuable. I can't say the book would be the ultimate guide to everything but..... If you have a significant other who's having a hard time understanding what she's going to have to adjust to. GET THIS BOOK. It goes over drill and ceremony, proper attire for you spouse during Military events. Remember even if you're the one serving, our spouses still represent us and should be given the best to make it through as well.

I really enjoyed this book as a new military wife I see a lot of good information all in one spot. Yes you can find all this information on websites like military.com and milspouse but that is long. I love the direct format that the book makes you process and it is blunt all qualities I like! However something's need more elaboration for a basic overview if it's directed towards a guide book but the author does present links to other things that will help you. Loved the book !

My partner will soon enter officer training. This book gave some great advice on how to navigate through a world that is completely foreign to me. I will definitely keep this on hand as we go through the process of relocation, deployment, etc. I would highly recommend this for anyone looking for a solid overview of military life for military significant others. Ms. Leyva uses her experience and tongue in cheek delivery to make this whole process a little less scary. Buy it! You won't regret it.

Fabulous book. Came well packaged, arrived ahead of schedule. This book is stock full of

information that makes me feel so much more at ease entering into military life as a wife and a family. It is full of good tips, stories and instructions even. I recommend this book to anyone who is in the process of or thinking about being in the military, it is a family decision!

Very detailed on what you need to know when becoming a military wife. Has answers to the questions you have and even questions you didn't even know you had. Perfect resource for someone who wants to know what it is really like.

As soon as my husband left for basic training, I had the library purchase this book because they had nothing about the military for spouses. This book helped me with setting up my shipments, overseas screening, and what we should have been getting pay wise. These are things that every military spouse should know, and I recommend it for any new military spouse. I had to set up everything for our first deployment by myself, and I couldn't have done it without this book!

I told my family and friends that my boyfriend was enlisting, and they tried to be supportive but most of them didn't really know what to say. I don't know any other army girlfriends and this book has really helped mentally prepare and stay strong.

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