

# Terminal Illness Causes Family Secret to Surface in Heartfelt Story of Severed Trust and Forgiveness

*The Wool Over Their Eyes is a powerful story with memorable characters who discover that healing is possible — through change, empathy, faith and forgiveness.*

DALLAS, TEXAS, UNITED STATES, March 10, 2021 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Natalia Foster is the family secret that her biological father, Joe Russo, was supposed to take to his grave. But when Natalia learns that Joe, an Italian man she's never met, is dying of a terminal illness, she's forced to confront the truth of her parentage and make a difficult decision: Should she remain in the shadows or make herself known to Joe and his family?

[The Wool Over Their Eyes](#), from [Dione Martin](#), is an authentic, heartfelt story about complex family dynamics and the emotions that must be unpacked when long-buried secrets push their way to the surface.

Joe's immediate family, including his devoted wife, Rosa, know nothing of Natalia's existence. Her gray eyes — exactly like Joe's — and simple math prove that Natalia is a product of Joe's infidelity, making a mockery of Rosa's marriage. If his family discovers the whole truth — that Natalia is not only illegitimate but also Black — family bonds will be shattered.

In the midst of Natalia's family drama and pain, another life-changing decision emerges. Natalia must choose between two loves — a long-lost one and a new one. Her ex-boyfriend, Tyler Davis, who captured her heart and connected with her soul, resurfaces. But she meets a handsome doctor, David Duplessis, who'd cared for her father. Just as the relationship begins to blossom, David commits an act that severs her trust and sends her spiraling further into her dark abyss.



Author Dione Martin drew upon her personal experiences when penning *The Wool Over Their Eyes*.

The Wool Over Their Eyes is loosely based on Martin's personal experiences. She drew upon her own memories and insights of growing up without her biological father and being betrayed in her own marriage to inform her narrative and give her characters depth and authenticity.

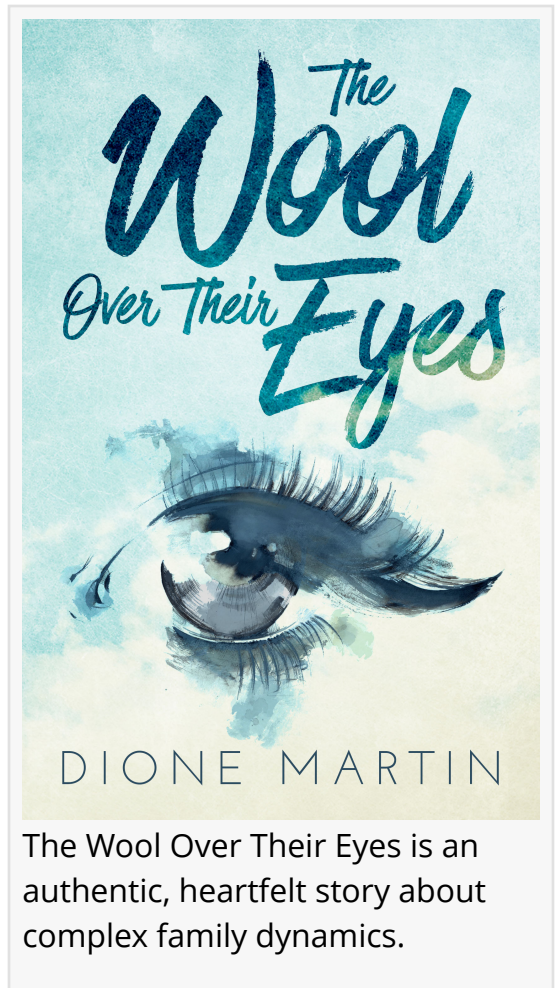
"I wrote The Wool Over Their Eyes for fatherless girls, for women who have been betrayed, for those who have been rejected because of their race (or otherness) and for families that have been torn apart by secrets, lies and deception," Martin reflects. "Healing is possible – through change, through empathy, through faith and through forgiveness."

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