

Green Lit the NEW Chic Lit
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Going all the way with the Green Goddess Julia Stephenson

Busy writing her Green Goddess column for *The Independent* Julia thinks she lives a green life but wants to take it further. She employs eco auditor Donnachadh McCarthy, author of eco bible *How to save the Planet without Costing the Earth*, to give her and her Chelsea flat a thorough green makeover.

She thought it would just mean installing low energy light bulbs, switching off lights and farmers markets...

He thinks she should cut down on gas guzzling round the world holidays, Perrier water, and organic blueberries flown from New Zealand, even sell her sports car ('*but it runs on unleaded petrol!*') and replace it with a bike...

She is determined to do her bit but no one said it would be easy...

Follow the ups and downs in Julia's green year, from replacing Tescos with the farmers market, to domestic ructions as she tries to convince her boyfriend to replace gas guzzling lastminute.com cheapo holidays with trains and ferries while composting all her kitchen waste in a worm bin.

Cringe along with her celebrity next door neighbours as they complain bitterly about the smell '*darling that bloody thing STINKS!*'

She's still waiting to tell them about her compost loo but there never seems to be a good moment.

Follow the trials and tribulations as she bribes her boyfriend, conveniently a builder, to do an eco friendly loft conversion, put up solar panels and the first 3 wind turbines in central London. Surely a shared project will bring them closer together?

As he wrestles with sheep's wool insulation and hemp bricks she has her hands full looking after the six bantams now in situ on her roof terrace.

The bantams and the worms are thriving. But is she? And will her relationship, unstable at the best of times, survive the eco-onslaught?

A no holds bared account of one girl's attempts to live the Good Life in Chelsea and not a beard or sandal in sight. Packed full of useful tips and personal insights this book shows how anyone can get a little greener it just depends how far you want to go...



Julia Stephenson writes extensively on environmental subjects for the *Evening Standard* and the *Sunday Times*, has published two bestselling novels, *Pandora's Diamond* and *Chalet Tiara*. She has appeared frequently on television and radio discussing current affairs, animal welfare and environmental issues and is currently making a series of documentary programmes for CNBC. She is the Green Party candidate for Chelsea in this May's upcoming London council elections.

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