A collection of short stories by author Sue Hampton. Reviews include "I loved the underlying story of beauty not being in the eye of the beholder. The Brute and the Beast is wonderfully written with an abundance of fantastic details and adjectives to let the mind visualise the scenes and personalities in the book."

About the author
Sue Hampton is the author of more than 30 titles for children, teenagers and adults; she likes exploring different genres and styles. Her writing has been praised by two of her literary heroes, Michael Morpurgo and Susan Fletcher, and many other authors too. An ex-teacher, she enjoys visiting schools to inspire young readers and writers, and along with her author husband Leslie Tate she has appeared at many festivals and addressed many adult writing groups. Sue is a trustee for the charity People not Borders.

Review

Nine stories… create distinct worlds populated by credible and mostly sympathetic characters… lead rich inner lives that are vividly described. You might say these are tales about dealing with life's challenges: grief, isolation, loss, prejudice etc… The stories and characters are equally interesting. Some themes recur: the need to be accepted for who we are, for example, and the vital importance of integrity in general. The quality of the writing is consistently high, occasionally breathtaking, and it reaches its peak in the penultimate tale, Included. – *David Guest, editor, Berkhamsted Living.*

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