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REESE WITHERSPOON

TO PUBLISH SOUTHERN-INFLUENCE LIFESTYLE BOOK WITH TOUCHSTONE

NEW YORK, October 13, 2016—Academy Award-winning actress, producer and entrepreneur, Reese Witherspoon will publish a lifestyle book with Touchstone and Simon & Schuster U.K. in 2018. Filled with four-color photographs and personal essays about the people and places that influenced her, the yet-to-be-titled book will celebrate the American South’s signature style, grace, and charm and illustrate how 21st century women can incorporate these elements into everyday life.

“I’m thrilled to be writing my first book with Touchstone. It’s a unique opportunity for me to share funny anecdotes about my Southern upbringing and give people a glimpse into my idea of Southern living,” said Reese Witherspoon.

“We are overjoyed to publish Reese Witherspoon,” said Susan Moldow, Publisher of Touchstone and President of the Scribner Publishing Group. “Few women today have achieved her command in so many different fields, from the big screen to the retail arena. Her ability to marshal the resources of social and traditional media, while staying true to the most appealing aspects of her Southern upbringing, is inspiring and should guarantee a large audience.”

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“Reese Witherspoon is the epitome of today’s accomplished, stylish, and gracious woman,” said Trish Todd, Vice President and Executive Editor at Touchstone. “I’m thrilled to help her bottle her magic Southern formula in a book that is destined for the bestseller lists.”

The star of such critically-acclaimed and box office hits as “Legally Blonde,” “Sweet Home Alabama,” “Election,” and “Walk the Line,” for which she won an Academy Award, Reese Witherspoon has recently added the roles of formidable film producer, designer, and literary tastemaker to her numerous acting credits. In 2012, she launched the independent production company Pacific Standard and produced “Gone Girl” and “Wild.” The films combined to gross more than half a billion dollars and earn three Oscar nominations, including one for Witherspoon for her portrayal of Cheryl Strayed in “Wild.” In 2015, Reese Witherspoon joined the world of fashion and home accents, launching the successful lifestyle brand Draper James, named after her beloved grandparents Dortha Draper and James Witherspoon. Known for her passion for literature, her Instagram recommendations via her book club (where she has 7.3 million followers) regularly send book sales soaring.

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