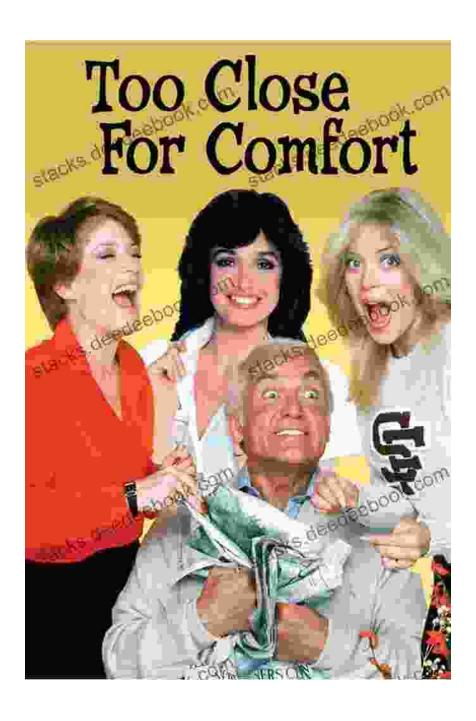
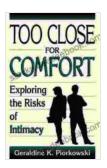
# Too Close for Comfort: A Nostalgic Look Back at the Beloved 1980s Sitcom



Too Close for Comfort was an American sitcom that aired on ABC from 1980 to 1987. The show starred Ted Knight as Henry Rush, a divorced

father of three daughters, who lives with his mother, Dorothy (Nancy Dussault), and his sister, Muriel (Deborah Van Valkenburgh).

The show was a critical and commercial success, and it ran for seven seasons. It was one of the most popular sitcoms of the 1980s, and it has been syndicated to over 100 countries.



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#### **Cast of Characters**

The cast of *Too Close for Comfort* was one of the most memorable ensembles in sitcom history.

\* **Ted Knight** played Henry Rush, a divorced father of three daughters. Henry is a kind and loving father, but he is also a bit of a klutz and a pushover. \* Nancy Dussault played Dorothy Rush, Henry's mother. Dorothy is a sharp-tongued and sarcastic woman, but she has a good heart and she loves her family. \* **Deborah Van Valkenburgh** played Muriel Rush, Henry's sister. Muriel is a ditzy and eccentric woman, but she is also very sweet and caring. \* Lydia Cornell played Monroe Rush, Henry's

eldest daughter. Monroe is a beautiful and intelligent young woman, but she is also a bit of a spoiled brat. \* **Deborah Harmon** played Jackie Rush, Henry's middle daughter. Jackie is a tomboy and a bit of a troublemaker, but she is also a good-hearted girl. \* **Holly Dorger** played Sara Rush, Henry's youngest daughter. Sara is a sweet and innocent young girl, but she is also very impressionable.

#### **Premise of the Show**

Too Close for Comfort followed the lives of the Rush family, a close-knit family who lived in a small house in San Francisco. The show featured a mix of comedy and drama, and it explored a variety of issues, such as divorce, parenting, and sibling rivalry.

One of the most memorable aspects of the show was the relationship between Henry and Dorothy. Dorothy was a strong and independent woman, and she often clashed with Henry. However, they loved each other very much, and they always managed to work out their differences.

## **Critical Reception**

Too Close for Comfort was a critical and commercial success. The show was praised for its well-written scripts, its memorable characters, and its talented cast.

In 1981, the show won a Golden Globe Award for Best Television Series – Musical or Comedy. It was also nominated for several Emmy Awards, including Outstanding Comedy Series and Outstanding Lead Actor in a Comedy Series for Ted Knight.

#### **Commercial Success**

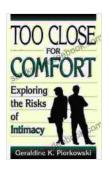
Too Close for Comfort was a commercial success as well. The show was a top-rated sitcom throughout its seven-season run. It was also syndicated to over 100 countries, and it has been translated into several languages.

The show has been released on DVD and streaming services, and it continues to be popular with audiences of all ages.

### Legacy

Too Close for Comfort is one of the most beloved sitcoms of the 1980s. The show has left a lasting legacy on television, and it continues to be enjoyed by audiences of all ages.

The show's success is due in large part to its well-written scripts, its memorable characters, and its talented cast. *Too Close for Comfort* is a classic sitcom that deserves its place in history.



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