

CHAPTER 4

The Woman Who Couldn't Leave Things Alone

Collected from people who know Sophie best

Best Friend
EMMA LAWSON

«She once created a colour-coded Excel spreadsheet to organise a weekend away. There were six of us. It was... impressively efficient.»

Her Husband
DANIEL MALLORY

«Sophie believes every problem can be solved with a list. After fifteen years together, I'm beginning to think she might actually be right.»

Her Daughter
LILY MALLORY

«Mum asks questions nobody can answer. Then somehow answers them herself.»

Former Colleague
MICHAEL TURNER

«She never looked busy. She simply made everyone else feel less overwhelmed.»

Secret revealed :
(Anonymous Household Source)

«She alphabetised the spices. Nobody asked. Nobody complained.»



Character Trait :
Spontaneity

Every spontaneous decision has usually been planned at least three weeks in advance.

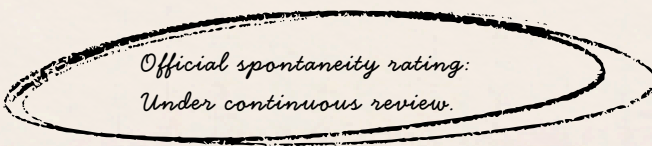
Official spontaneity rating:
Under continuous review.



Some people open Excel to work. Sophie opens it to make life behave.



Still looking for the keys.



Favourite Place
The Laundry Room

Where most people see chores, Sophie sees order returning to the universe.

Folding, sorting, reorganising. Nothing ever leaves the room exactly as it entered. Including the people.

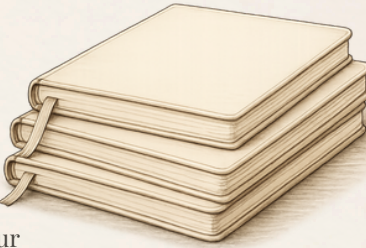


Most people saw laundry. Sophie saw the quiet satisfaction of putting the world back in order.

Frequently Heard

« Just give me five minutes. »

Average observed duration: 23 minutes.



Known Behaviour
Has never left a stationery shop with only one notebook.

Confirmed by multiple witnesses.

Mission control



Some people leave memories behind. Sophie mostly leaves systems.



Editorial observation :
Every testimony is sincere. None of them tells the whole story.