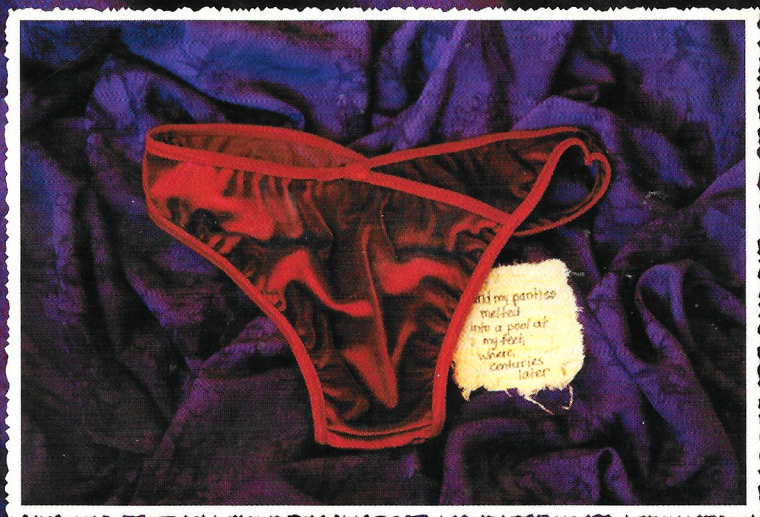


Panty Lines



A poetic anthology

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Value Pack

These
furious eyes
clenched
no no no
I am not a baby
These
a good value
one pair pink
(little girl pink)
one pair blue
(baby blue)
one pair white
no no no
a ribbon affixing the ridiculous
to each
she insists –

Those . . .
(shiny sassy red)
are not a good value
not for a little girl
Good values
start with sensible underwear
get complicated as lace
later in life
have got to hold up
under duress

So best begin
with the strong moral fibre
of 100% cotton panties
No use arguing
mother stern
practical
knows the importance
of a good value pack