

# Bridgerton Collection Volume 1: The First Three Books in the Bridgerton Series (Bridgertons)

**Author: Julia Quinn**

An enchanting collection containing the first three novels in *New York Times* bestselling author Julia Quinn's beloved Bridgerton series set in Regency England—*The Duke and I*, *The Viscount Who Loved Me*, and *An Offer from a Gentleman*—now a series created by Shonda Rhimes for Netflix.

## The Duke and I

When Daphne Bridgerton and Simon Basset, Duke of Hastings, agree to a fake courtship, they think they've found the perfect solution to their problems. Romantically associated with one of London's most desirable catches, Daphne's prospects among the ton will soar. For avowed bachelor Simon, an attachment to Daphne will deter would-be brides and their ambitious mamas. Their plan works like a charm—at first. But amid the glittering, gossipy, cut-throat world of London's elite, there is only one certainty: love ignores every rule. . .

## The Viscount Who Loved Me

London's most elusive bachelor, Anthony Bridgerton is determined to wed. But one obstacle stands in his way—his intended's older sister, Kate Sheffield, who is driving Anthony mad with her determination to stop the betrothal. Kate is quite sure that reformed rakes do not make the best husbands, and Anthony Bridgerton is the most wicked rogue of them all. She's determined to protect her sister—even as she fears she may not be able to resist the reprehensible and oh so desirable rake herself . . .

## An Offer from a Gentleman

Sophie Beckett never dreamed she'd be able to sneak into Lady Bridgerton's famed masquerade ball—or that she would be spinning in the arms of her "Prince Charming"—the debonair and devastatingly handsome Benedict Bridgerton. But when the clock strikes midnight, Sophie's enchanting evening ends. Since that night Benedict has been able to think of nothing but the bewitching young woman, and he's sworn to find and wed his mystery miss. Yet will another unexpectedly steal his heart—and his chance for a fairy tale love?

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## The Invitation

**Author: Vi Keeland**

**A new, sexy standalone from #1 *New York Times* Bestseller, Vi Keeland.**

The first time I met Hudson Rothschild was at a wedding. I'd received an unexpected invitation to one of the swankiest venues in the city.

Hudson was a groomsman and quite possibly the most gorgeous man I'd ever laid eyes on. He asked me to dance, and our chemistry was off the charts.

I knew it wasn't a good idea to get involved with him, considering the wedding I was at. But our connection was intense, and I was having a great time.

Though the fun came to a screeching halt when Hudson figured out I wasn't who I'd said I was. You see, that unexpected invitation I received? Well, it hadn't actually been addressed to me—it was sent to my ex-roommate who'd bounced a check for two months' rent and moved out in the middle of the night. I figured she owed me an expensive night out, but I guess, technically, I was crashing the wedding.

Once caught, I couldn't get out of there fast enough. As I bolted for the door, I might've plucked a few bottles of expensive champagne off the tables I passed, all while the gorgeous, angry groomsman was hot on my tail.

Outside, I jumped into a taxi. My heart ricocheted against my ribs as we drove down the block—but at least I'd escaped unscathed.

Or so I thought.

Until I realized I'd left my cell phone behind at the table.

Take one guess who found it?

This is the crazy story of how Hudson Rothschild and I met. But trust me, it's only the tip of the iceberg.

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## Neighbors: A Novel

**Author: Danielle Steel**

**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • In Danielle Steel's gripping new novel, a reclusive woman opens up her home to her neighbors in the wake of a devastating earthquake, setting off events that reveal secrets, break relationships apart, and bring strangers together to forge powerful new bonds.**

Meredith White was one of Hollywood's most recognizable faces. But a personal tragedy cut her acting career short and alienated her from her family. For the last fifteen years, Meredith has been living alone in San Francisco with two trusted caretakers. Then, on a muggy late summer day, a massive earthquake strikes Northern California, plunging the Bay Area into chaos. Without a moment's hesitation, Meredith invites her stunned and shaken neighbors into her mostly undamaged home as the recovery begins.

These people did not even realize that movie star Meredith White was living on their street. Now, they are sharing her mansion, as well as their most closely kept secrets. Without the walls and privacy of their own homes, one by one, new relationships are forged. For every neighbor there is a story, from the doctor whose wife and children fear him, to the beautiful young woman dating a dishonorable man, to the aspiring writer caring for a famous blind musician.

In the heart of the crisis, Meredith finds herself venturing back into the world. And thanks to the suspicions and the dogged detective work of a disaster relief volunteer, a former military officer named Charles, a shocking truth about her own world is exposed. Suddenly Meredith sees her isolation, her estranged family, and even her acting career in a whole new light.

Filled with powerful human dramas, *Neighbors* is a penetrating look at how our world can be upended in a moment. In a novel of unforgettable characters and stunning twists, acts of love and courage become the most powerful forces of all.

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## Hadley and Grace: A Novel

**Author: Suzanne Redfearn**

**The author of *In an Instant* delivers a heart-pounding and emotional roller-coaster ride of self-discovery in the tradition of *Thelma and Louise*.**

Needing to escape her abusive marriage, Hadley flees with her two kids, knowing it might be her only chance. A woman who can't even kill a spider, Hadley soon finds herself pushed to the limits as she fights to protect her family.

Grace, new mother of baby Miles, desperately wants to put her rough past behind her for good, but she finds it impossible when her path crosses with Hadley's, and her quest for a new start quickly spirals out of control and turns into a terrifying flight for survival.

Stronger together than apart, the two find their fates inextricably entwined, and as the danger closes in, each must decide how much she is willing to risk for the other.

A powerful story of self-discovery, *Hadley and Grace* is the heart-racing tale of two women facing insurmountable odds, racing to stay one step ahead of the trouble that is chasing them, and discovering new kinds of love and family along the way.

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## From Blood and Ash (Blood And Ash Series Book 1)

**Author: Jennifer L. Armentrout**

**Captivating and action-packed, *From Blood and Ash* is a sexy, addictive, and unexpected fantasy perfect for fans of Sarah J. Maas and Laura Thalassa.**

A Maiden...

Chosen from birth to usher in a new era, Poppy's life has never been her own. The life of the Maiden is solitary. Never to be touched. Never to be looked upon. Never to be spoken to. Never to experience pleasure. Waiting for the day of her Ascension, she would rather be with the guards, fighting back the evil that took her family, than preparing to be found worthy by the gods. But the choice has never been hers.

A Duty...

The entire kingdom's future rests on Poppy's shoulders, something she's not even quite sure she wants for herself. Because a Maiden has a heart. And a soul. And longing. And when Hawke, a golden-eyed guard honor bound to ensure her Ascension, enters her life, destiny and duty become tangled with desire and need. He incites her anger, makes her question everything she believes in, and tempts her with the forbidden.

A Kingdom...

Forsaken by the gods and feared by mortals, a fallen kingdom is rising once more, determined to take back what they believe is theirs through violence and vengeance. And as the shadow of those cursed draws closer, the line between what is forbidden and what is right becomes blurred. Poppy is not only on the verge of losing her heart and being found unworthy by the gods, but also her life when every blood-soaked thread that holds her world together begins to unravel.

Reviews for From Blood and Ash:

"Dreamy, twisty, steamy escapism. Take me back!" -New York Times bestseller Wendy Higgins

"Jennifer Armentrout has the power to control my emotions with every word she writes. From swooning to crying to racing through the pages to find out what happens next, I couldn't stop reading about Hawke and Poppy, and you won't be able to either." - Brigid Kemmerer, New York Times Bestselling Author of A

Curse So Dark and Lonely

"Action, adventure, sexiness, and angst! From Blood and Ash has it all and double that. So many feels and so many moments it made me cheer for the character. Read. This. Book! You'll be obsessed!" - Tijan NYT bestselling author

"From Blood and Ash is a phenomenal fantasy novel that is filled to the brim with danger, mystery and heart melting romance. I loved every single second of it and I couldn't get enough of this new fantastical world. A heart stopping start to what is clearly going to be a stunning series, perfect for both those who love fantasy and those who are new to the genre. A must read." Kayleigh, K-Books

"If you think you are ready for From Blood and Ash, think again. Jennifer L. Armentrout has woven a new fantasy universe that will leave you reeling. Filled with action, heart wrenching twists and the most delicious romance, this unputdownable novel comes with a warning: keep a fan close by, because the temperatures are about to rise." Elena, The Bibliotheque Blo

"In this exciting new novel by Jennifer L. Armentrout, she introduces a fantastical world filled with immense detail, and characters who are poignant and fierce, Jennifer truly has out done herself!" – BookBesties

"From Blood and Ash is a fantastic fantasy that will hook you immediately from the very first page! I loved every single moment and all of the characters are ones you will fall in love with! Jennifer L. Armentrout has done it again with her amazing writing skills and lots of detail! Get this book immediately!!!" - Amanda @Stuck In YA Books

"Jennifer has stepped into the fantasy genre with this absolutely amazing novel. With characters you will love and more than a few twists and turns, get ready for one amazing adventure."-Perpetual Fangirl

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## The Wedding Game

**Author: Meghan Quinn**

**USA Today bestselling author Meghan Quinn's latest bauble is the charming story of a crafting queen battling a jaded divorce lawyer on a wedding reality show.**

Luna Rossi is a veritable crafting genius—she can bedazzle and bead so hard her Etsy site is one of the hottest in the world. So it's only natural that Luna would convince her brother and his husband-to-be to compete on *The Wedding Game*, a "do-it-yourself" TV show, for the title of Top DIY Wedding Expert.

As a jaded divorce lawyer, Alec Baxter scoffs at weddings and romance. But when his recently engaged brother begs him to participate in *The Wedding Game*, Alec grudgingly picks up a glue gun and prepares for some family bonding.

Both fierce competitors, Luna and Alec clash on national TV as harsh words and glitter fly with abandon. But as they bicker over color swatches and mood boards, they find themselves fighting something else: their growing mutual attraction. While Luna is torn between family loyalty and her own feelings, Alec wonders if he might have been wrong about love and marriage all along...

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## Still Standing (Wild West MC Series Book 1)

**Author: Kristen Ashley**

When Clara Delany walks into the Aces High Motorcycle Club's hangout, she's hit rock bottom. She's hiding her car from the repo man, she has less than two dollars in her bank account and the only employment she can get is delivering messages for a criminal.

All because of a man. Therefore, she's sworn off them.

And then she meets West "Buck" Hardy, president of the Aces High MC.

Buck also meets her, and the minute he does, he makes it clear (to everyone but Clara) that they're starting something. Since Clara doesn't get that message, she decides to leave Buck and sort out her life in order to come back to him clean.

She's not gone but hours before life hits Clara with another blow. Which means Buck and his boys have to ride in and save the day. After that, Buck makes no bones about where they stand.

But does he?

Welcome to the first novel in the Wild West MC series which will tell the stories of the brothers of the Aces High MC, the Resurrection MC and the Chaos MC...and the women who love them.

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## Blood Heir (Kate Daniels World Book 1)

**Author: Ilona Andrews**

**From award-winning author, Ilona Andrews, an all-new novel set in the New York Times #1 bestselling *Kate Daniels World* and featuring Julie Lennart-Olsen, Kate and Curran's ward.**

Atlanta was always a dangerous city. Now, as waves of magic and technology compete for supremacy, it's a place caught in a slow apocalypse, where monsters spawn among the crumbling skyscrapers and supernatural factions struggle for power and survival.

Eight years ago, Julie Lennart left Atlanta to find out who she was. Now she's back with a new face, a new magic, and a new name—Aurelia Ryder—drawn by the urgent need to protect the family she left behind. An ancient power is stalking her adopted mother, Kate Daniels, an enemy unlike any other, and a string of horrifying murders is its opening gambit.

If Aurelia's true identity is discovered, those closest to her will die. So her plan is simple: get in, solve the murders, prevent the prophecy from being fulfilled, and get out without being recognized. She expected danger, but she never anticipated that the only man she'd ever loved could threaten everything.

One small misstep could lead to disaster. But for Aurelia, facing disaster is easy; it's relationships that are hard.

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## **Nantucket Threads (Nantucket Beach Plum Cove Book 6)**

**Author: Pamela M. Kelley**

Izzy's life is about to change soon in the biggest way possible. She is excited and nervous and torn about whether or not to give her ex, Rick Savage another chance. Rick has tried to be a better man. He's gone through anger management classes and really seems to be making an effort. But is that enough? Does she owe it to him, to them, to try one more time? Or is it okay for her to move on and possibly even consider a future with someone else? Not that she is looking to do that, but there is someone else who she has known as a friend for a long time. He's a very good friend and at times she wonders if there could be something more there. But, she has bigger things to consider first. Someone other than herself and it's all new to her. But, her sister Mia is there to help. Izzy is now living with Mia since her condo was renovated. And Mia has a promising new romance. And there's a lot going on with the Hodges family too. Kate has a very big announcement and Lisa learns that she has been violating a major rule for her bed and breakfast. So changes are coming....

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## **A Kingdom of Flesh and Fire (Blood and Ash Book 2)**

**Author: Jennifer L. Armentrout**

**From #1 New York Times bestselling author Jennifer L. Armentrout comes a new novel in her Blood and Ash series...**

***Is Love Stronger Than Vengeance?***

**A Betrayal...**

Everything Poppy has ever believed in is a lie, including the man she was falling in love with. Thrust among those who see her as a symbol of a monstrous kingdom, she barely knows who she is without the veil of the Maiden. But what she does know is that nothing is as dangerous to her as him. The Dark One. The Prince of Atlantia. He wants her to fight him, and that's one order she's more than happy to obey. He may have taken her, but he will never have her.

**A Choice....**

Casteel Da'Neer is known by many names and many faces. His lies are as seductive as his touch. His truths as sensual as his bite. Poppy knows better than to trust him. He needs her alive, healthy, and whole to achieve his goals. But he's the only way for her to get what she wants—to find her brother Ian and see for herself if he has become a soulless Ascended. Working with Casteel instead of against him presents its own risks. He still tempts her with every breath, offering up all she's ever wanted. Casteel has plans for her. Ones that could expose her to unimaginable pleasure and unfathomable pain. Plans that will force her to look beyond everything she thought she knew about herself—about him. Plans that could bind their lives together in unexpected ways that neither kingdom is prepared for. And she's far too reckless, too hungry, to resist the temptation.

**A Secret...**

But unrest has grown in Atlantia as they await the return of their Prince. Whispers of war have become stronger, and Poppy is at the very heart of it all. The King wants to use her to send a message. The Descenters want her dead. The wolvern are growing more unpredictable. And as her abilities to feel pain and emotion begin to grow and strengthen, the Atlantians start to fear her. Dark secrets are at play, ones steeped in the blood-drenched sins of two kingdoms that would do anything to keep the truth hidden. But when the earth begins to shake, and the skies start to bleed, it may already be too late.

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## **Hard Hit (IceCats Book 3)**

**Author: Toni Aleo**

Kirby Litman has been abandoned by everyone in his life at one time or another since childhood. And when his cheating ex drops their baby girl in his lap and leaves the country, he vows he won't abandon his daughter, Celeste, like he was. Between parenting, hockey, and mentoring three brand-new young players, he doesn't have much time for himself. Though, when Jaylin Raventorn crosses his path again, he wants to stop the clock for her.

Jaylin has had her eye on Kirby from the first moment they met over a year ago, but his surprise fatherhood threw their plans into the penalty box. Now that he's back in play—and with a cute new teammate to boot—Jaylin is as eager as Kirby to pick up where they left off.

But will the love-'em-and-leave-'em lawyer be able to let go of her fears to build a future with the man who's always been left behind? Or will the hard hit from their pasts be too much for them to overcome?

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## Resentment

**Author: Nicole Jackson**

Everybody knows about cheating, but rarely do we examine the aftermath. The scars that were left, after a betrayal. The way it changes you. The resentment one harbors. This is Chyna's life, right now. And she must figure out if she'll allow it to destroy her, or will she pursue being made whole again

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## The Awakening: The Dragon Heart Legacy, Book 1

**Author: Nora Roberts**

**#1 New York Times bestselling author Nora Roberts begins a new trilogy of adventure, romance, and magick in *The Awakening*.**

*In the realm of Talamh, a teenage warrior named Keegan emerges from a lake holding a sword—representing both power and the terrifying responsibility to protect the Fey. In another realm known as Philadelphia, a young woman has just discovered she possesses a treasure of her own...*

When Breen Kelly was a girl, her father would tell her stories of magical places. Now she's an anxious twentysomething mired in student debt and working a job she hates. But one day she stumbles upon a shocking discovery: her mother has been hiding an investment account in her name. It has been funded by her long-lost father—and it's worth nearly four million dollars.

This newfound fortune would be life-changing for anyone. But little does Breen know that when she uses some of the money to journey to Ireland, it will unlock mysteries she couldn't have imagined. Here, she will begin to understand why she kept seeing that silver-haired, elusive man, why she imagined his voice in her head saying *Come home, Breen Siobhan. It's time you came home*. Why she dreamed of dragons. And where her true destiny lies—through a portal in Galway that takes her to a land of faeries and mermaids, to a man named Keegan, and to the courage in her own heart that will guide her through a powerful, dangerous destiny...

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## Hidden Star (Stars of Mithra Book 1)

**Author: Nora Roberts**

**Diamonds can be a girl's best friend...or her worst enemy. Don't miss the first thrilling story in the Stars of Mithra trilogy, from #1 New York Times bestselling author Nora Roberts!**

Bailey James can't remember a thing. She doesn't even know who she is, let alone why her bag is filled with cash, a gun, and a large blue diamond. Desperate for help, she heads to the first detective office she can find, hoping that PI Cade Parris is someone she can trust—and with no options, Bailey doesn't have much of a choice. Cade is sure the woman of his dreams just walked through the door when Bailey shuffles in, but he'll have to convince her that she's not a criminal before he can consider his love for her...

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## The Return

**Author: Nicholas Sparks**

**In the romantic tradition of *Dear John*, Nicholas Sparks returns with the story of an injured Navy doctor -- and two women whose secrets will change the course of his life in this #1 New York Times bestseller.**

Trevor Benson never intended to move back to New Bern, North Carolina. But when a mortar blast outside the hospital where he worked sent him home from Afghanistan with devastating injuries, the dilapidated cabin he'd inherited from his grandfather seemed as good a place to regroup as any.

Tending to his grandfather's beloved beehives, Trevor isn't prepared to fall in love with a local . . . yet, from their very first encounter, Trevor feels a connection with deputy sheriff Natalie Masterson that he can't ignore. But even as she seems to reciprocate his feelings, she remains frustratingly distant, making Trevor wonder what she's hiding.

Further complicating his stay in New Bern is the presence of a sullen teenage girl, Callie, who lives in the trailer park down the road. Trevor hopes Callie can shed light on the mysterious circumstances of his grandfather's death, but she offers few clues -- until a crisis triggers a race to uncover the true nature of Callie's past, one more intertwined with the elderly man's passing than Trevor could ever have imagined.

In his quest to unravel Natalie and Callie's secrets, Trevor will learn the true meaning of love and forgiveness . . . and that in life, to move forward, we must often return to the place where it all began.

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## **Don't Kiss the Bride: An Age Gap, Marriage of Convenience Romance**

***Author: Carian Cole***

**Carian Cole delivers a sweet but sexy slow burn, age gap, marriage of convenience romance with major swoony feels!**

I guess you could say I was a damsel in distress, and he was my knight in shining armor.

But more accurately, I was a girl with a lot of bad luck, and he was a guy with a lot of muscles and tattoos.

Jude "Lucky" Lucketti wasn't just a sexy, brooding construction worker. He was my own personal hero, showing up in all the right places at the right times. Like when my car broke down and I needed a ride home, and when I face planted on the sidewalk right in front of him and had to be taken to the emergency room.

Those weren't exactly my best moments, but they were his.

We became friends, and it didn't matter that he was sixteen years older than me. We had a lot in common--like our love of old rock music and vintage fast cars, and our aversion to relationships.

When he approached me with a crazy idea to help me out with my many problems, I couldn't say no.

The arrangement was supposed to be temporary. A marriage on paper and nothing else.

It should've been easy, but it wasn't.

Because here I am, eighteen years-old, still in high school, and married to a man I was never supposed to fall in love with.

We had just one rule--no kissing the bride.

But we broke that rule, and it sealed our fate forever.

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## **The Speed of Light: A Novel**

***Author: Elissa Grossell Dickey***

**A compelling and provocative debut novel told in intersecting timelines over a tumultuous, defining year in one woman's life.**

Simone is trying her best not to think of what she's lost. Diagnosed with MS, she awaits the results of another anxiety-inducing MRI. She's just walked away from Connor, "a fixer" but possibly the love of her life. And nearing the holidays, the sights and sounds of winter in South Dakota only prick memories of better years gone by. Then, on a December morning at the university where she works, jarring gunshots pierce the halls. In a temporary safe place and terrified, Simone listens and pretends this will all be over soon.

As she waits for silence, her mind racing, Simone's past year comes into focus. Falling in love and missing it. Finding strength in family and enduring friendships. Planning for the future, fearing it, and hoping against hope in dark places. Her life has been changing at the speed of light, and each crossroad brought Simone here, to this day, to endure the things she can't control and to confront those that she can.

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## **Shielding Gillian (Delta Team Two Book 1)**

***Author: Susan Stoker***

As an event planner, Gillian Romano's an expert at rolling with the punches and solving unexpected problems. But her flight getting hijacked while returning from a job is definitely out of her skill set. Passengers are being murdered, and when she's chosen by the terrorists to be their mouthpiece, even more innocent lives rest on Gillian's shoulders. Only the calm, reassuring voice on the other end of the line keeps her sane, forging a bond with a stranger she's never seen but trusts with her life.

Walker "Trigger" Nelson and his Delta Force team have spent years training for close-quarter hostage rescue. When they get called to South America to attempt to save an airplane full of hostages, he doesn't expect to meet a woman who rocks his world in the middle of the op. Gillian's cool head and bravery in the face of

certain terror—and possible death—blows him away. Any outcome that doesn't include Gillian leaving that plane alive and well is not an option.

After their safe return to Texas, both Trigger and Gillian are excited to find out if their instant chemistry can survive the real world. Neither realizing that someone isn't happy with the outcome of the hijacking, and is watching, waiting, for a second chance to strike.

\*\* Shielding Gillian is the 1st book in the Delta Team Two Series. Each book is a stand-alone, with no cliffhanger endings.

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## Shielding Riley (Delta Team Two Book 5)

**Author: Susan Stoker**

Porter "Oz" Reed knows as well as anyone the damage words can do. So while he's not looking for a relationship, he has no problem standing outside his apartment looking intimidating as his sweet neighbor finally kicks her verbally abusive ex to the curb. Just in case. But it's Oz who's punched in the gut when, at that precise moment, his ten-year-old nephew Logan is dropped on his doorstep.

After finally ditching her ex, Riley Rogers is ready for a break from men. But her plan to stay single takes an immediate hit when Mr. Tall, Dark and Handsome from next door comes knocking, panicked at the prospect of caring for a nephew he never even knew existed. Riley's only too happy to help. After all, Porter had her back when she needed him. And she feels a kinship with Logan...whose story hits a little too close to Riley's own.

As they team up to make Logan feel safe in his new environment, Riley and Oz quickly fall hard for the boy, and each other. But they've barely adapted to their altered lives when Logan shares a secret that changes everything—again.

\*\* Shielding Riley is the 5th book in the Delta Team Two Series. Each book is a stand-alone, with no cliffhanger endings.

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## All the Colors of Night (Fogg Lake Book 2)

**Author: Jayne Ann Krentz**

**An instant *New York Times* bestseller!**

**Two psychics plunge into a dark world of deadly secrets in this second installment in the Fogg Lake trilogy by *New York Times* bestselling author Jayne Ann Krentz.**

North Chastain possesses a paranormal talent that gives him the ability to track down the most dangerous psychic criminals. When his father suddenly falls into a coma-like state, North is convinced it was caused by a deadly artifact that traces back to the days of a secret government program known only as the Bluestone Project. North knows his only hope of saving his father is to find the artifact. He is good when it comes to tracking down killers, but to locate the relic he's going to need help from a psychic who knows the shadowy world of obsessive collectors, deceptive dealers and ruthless raiders....

With her reputation in ruins after a false accusation, antiques expert Sierra Raines is looking for a fresh start. She turns to the murky backwaters of the paranormal artifacts trade, finding and transporting valuable objects with a psychic provenance. When North Chastain approaches her for help, Sierra takes him on as a client, though not without reservations. North represents the mysterious Foundation, the secretive organization established to police the underworld populated by psychic criminals and those, like Sierra, who make a living in the shadows of that world.

North and Sierra soon find themselves at the scene of the Incident, which occurred decades ago in Fogg Lake. The town and its residents were forever changed by the disaster in the nearby Bluestone Project labs. The pair unearths shocking truths about what happened that fateful night, but they are playing with fire—someone in town knows what they've discovered and will do anything to make sure the secrets stay buried.

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## First Comes Scandal: A Bridgerton Prequel

**Author: Julia Quinn**

**Continuing her delightful Bridgertons Prequel series, #1 *New York Times* bestselling author Julia Quinn presents the latest love story between the Bridgerton and Rokesby families.**

She was given two choices...

Georgiana Bridgerton isn't *against* the idea of marriage. She'd just thought she'd have some say in the matter. But with her reputation hanging by a thread after she's abducted for her dowry, Georgie is given two options: live out her life as a spinster or marry the rogue who has ruined her life.

Enter Option #3

As the fourth son of an earl, Nicholas Rokesby is prepared to chart his own course. He has a life in Edinburgh, where he's close to completing his medical studies, and he has no time—or interest—to find a wife. But when he discovers that Georgie Bridgerton—his literal girl-next-door—is facing ruin, he knows what

he must do.

A Marriage of Convenience

It might not have been the most romantic of proposals, but Nicholas never thought she'd say *no*. Georgie doesn't want to be anyone's sacrifice, and besides, they could never think of each other as anything more than childhood friends... or could they?

But as they embark upon their unorthodox courtship they discover a new twist to the age-old rhyme. First comes scandal, then comes marriage. But after *that* comes love...

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## Reclaimed (Shadow Beast Shifters Book 2)

**Author: Jaymin Eve**

#1 in the entire kindle store!

*They all made a terrible mistake. One they will pay for.*

For the past ten years I've been a victim. A victim to my pack. A victim to my true mate, who rejected me in the most brutal of ways. And a victim to Shadow Beast, who used me for his own gains.

Or did he?

The beast of mystery never reveals his whole hand, but one thing is for sure... in my time with him, I've changed. Now I will no longer walk the path dictated by the powerful men in my life. Never again will I let my strength be taken from me.

I must evolve or die.

And we all know, with a choice like that, there's really only one answer.

\* Reclaimed is book 2 of 3 in the Shadow Beast Shifters series, and ends on a cliffhanger. If you like sexy, dark paranormal romances, with humor, steam, action, a tough heroine and an antihero, this is for you.

It's full length (100k) words and is recommended for 18+ due to language and sexual situations.

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## Christmas at the Restaurant (The Nantucket Restaurant series Book 2)

**Author: Pamela M. Kelley**

**Nantucket's famous Christmas Stroll is always the first week of December and this year sisters Mandy and Emma and Paul, the executive chef want to do something extra special for Mimi's Place, the restaurant that they co-own.**

It will be Emma and Paul's first Christmas together as a couple and Mandy's first holiday as a newly single and divorced mother of two. Although Mandy does have a promising new relationship, though she wants to take things very slow.

Their sister Jill and her new husband, Billy, are planning to spend the whole month of December on Nantucket too, juggling working remotely for the executive search firm they own together in Manhattan and relaxing and spending time with family and helping out at the restaurant too.

And Gina, their awesome bartender is spending her first winter on Nantucket and it's a bit of an adjustment--winters on Nantucket are so much quieter than the city life she was used to. She's even more confused when someone she had a major crush on back in the city moves to Nantucket. Suddenly her boring winter is starting to look a lot more interesting.

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## All That Glitters: A Novel

**Author: Danielle Steel**

**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • In Danielle Steel's dazzling new novel, a young woman must overcome tremendous adversity in her quest to find herself and achieve real happiness.**

Nicole "Coco" Martin is destined to have it all. As the only child of doting and successful parents, she has been given every opportunity in life. Having inherited her mother's stunning beauty and creativity, along with her father's work ethic and diligence, she has the world at her feet. Her graduation from Columbia is fast approaching, and with it the summer job of her dreams working at a magazine. Between work, leisurely weekends at her family's home in Southampton, and spending as much time as possible with her best friend, Sam, life couldn't be better—until tragedy strikes. Coco's beloved parents are killed in a terrorist attack while on vacation in France.

Now devastated and alone, Coco must find a way to move forward and make her way in the world without the family she loved. Determined to forge her own path and make her parents proud, Coco pursues her dreams, dazzled by exciting opportunities that come her way. Her goals are to think outside the box—and always play by her own rules. As she finds herself drawn to charismatic, fascinating men, each relationship will teach Coco new lessons, some delightful, some painful. She will come to realize what matters, and how strong she truly is—and in the end, she will discover herself.

Richly exploring one woman's poignant journey through life, *All That Glitters* is a compelling tale of challenges, heartbreak, discovery, and triumph, a powerful reminder that all that glitters is not the essence of life. And what is truly worth having was right there in our hands all along.

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## **Maid for the Beast (Interstellar Brides® Program: The Beasts Book 2)**

**Author: Grace Goodwin**

**An Atlan Warlord in Mating Fever with two choices:** Be the latest bachelor beast on an Earth reality television show to find his perfect mate or face certain death in an Atlan prison. Braun's not sure which is worse... until a female enters his hotel suite with towels and cleaning supplies.

She isn't part of the television show.

She isn't available.

She isn't interested in mating with an alien.

She isn't *his*.

Try telling that to his beast, because one look at the maid and Braun knows he will do anything... *anything*, to claim her.

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## **Bitter Pill (Sisterhood Book 32)**

**Author: Fern Michaels**

**No one weaves a story as well as beloved *New York Times* bestselling author Fern Michaels. In the latest in the Sisterhood series, a team of unscrupulous doctors is profiting from others' distress—but these loyal friends know just the cure . . .**

For the Sisterhood, there's a special satisfaction that comes with helping a friend in need, especially when it's someone as dear as Charlotte Hansen. Myra Rutledge's childhood friend has spent tens of thousands of dollars on remedies to boost longevity. But far from improving her health, the medications seem to be destroying it.

Myra becomes suspicious of the trio of doctors in charge of the program, especially once the Sisterhood's investigations reveal that one patient has died, and another lapsed into a coma. While those in their care suffer, the three doctors—located in London, Aspen, and New York—all enjoy indulgent lifestyles and extravagant toys. But justice is always the best medicine—and no one dispenses it better than the Sisterhood . . .

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## **Little Girl Lost (Georgiana Germaine Book 1)**

**Author: Cheryl Bradshaw**

**From the *New York Times* and *USA Today* bestselling author of the Sloane Monroe novels comes a gripping new series about love, loss, murder, and a broken former detective who's about to be drawn out of hiding.**

For the past two years, Georgiana "Gigi" Germaine has been living off the grid, until today, when she hears some disturbing news that shakes her. Georgiana's brother-in-law has been murdered, her seven-year-old niece kidnapped. As the hours waste away, Georgiana races back to a town she left behind, and a former life she's still not ready to face.

**Readers are saying:**

*"A great start to what appears to be a great new series."*

*"Couldn't put this one down. Read it in one sitting."*

*"I was completely immersed in the story and read it straight through."*

*"Love this new character. What a page turner."*

"I can't wait to read the next in the series."

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## **Forever Bold: Forever Bluegrass #15**

**Author: Kathleen Brooks**

Ariana Ali Rahman is a princess who is always up for fun, but then one night changed everything for her. That one night showed her what good she could do and set her on a dangerous path speaking up for those who had no voice. Determined to bring justice to the unheard, Ariana heads to New York City only to become a target for her charitable work.

Jameson Duke was in Special Forces until the powers that be forced a career change. Instead of following in his parents' powerful political footsteps, Jameson became an agent with the State Department's Bureau of Diplomatic Security. Then the powerful influencers decided they weren't done dictating his life. Jameson was pulled into his boss's office and ordered to protect Princess Ariana upon her visit to New York City. Jameson knew two things: one, he was tired of spoiled diplomats, and two, if the powers that be wanted him near Princess Ariana, then last thing he was going to do was get close to her.

What Jameson thought was just another assignment protecting a spoiled princess turns into something much more dangerous. Shots are fired, and lives and hearts are on the line. But who is pulling the strings from the shadows and will they all make it out alive?

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## **WIEDERGEURT: Legend of the Reincarnated Warrior: Volume 6**

**Author: Brandon Varnell**

**THE HEAT IS ON.**

Eryk has returned to Kari, Lin, and Fay after falling down a ravine in the Demon Beast Mountain Range and meeting the mysterious woman, Dyr.

After returning home, everyone falls back into their routines. Eryk spends his time training Fay and Kari, teaching Lin humanity's written language, giving new alchemy recipes to the Alchemist Association, and trying to help the Nevarian Spiritualists build up their defenses in preparation for the Demon Beast Invasion that will happen several years from now.

Eryk is plagued by dreams at the same time. His past self is trapped in another realm. While in this new realm, he learns more about the Sekbeists—the mysterious enemies who may become a threat to both his past... and his present.

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## **Loved You Once (The Baker's Creek Billionaire Brothers Book 1)**

**Author: Claudia Burgoa**

**USA Today Bestselling author Claudia Burgoa presents a heartwarming, sexy romance about second chances and starting over.**

After a week off the grid, I finally get reception and the first voicemail I hear stuns me.  
"You're summoned to Baker's Creek by the late William Tower Aldridge."

Twelve Years.

It's been twelve years since the last time I heard from the Aldridge family.

That one voicemail changes everything—I need the money the late William offers.

In exchange, I have to live eighteen months in Baker's Creek.

I've survived cancer, the jungle, and the plague.

This should be easy compared to all that, right?

Or so I think until...I see him.

Confident, charismatic, bitter, sexy as hell, Doctor Hayes Benjamin Aldrige.

My first love, my first kiss—my late husband's brother.

He hates me.

He still hasn't forgiven me for walking out on him, and I can't blame him. It's been over ten years, and I still have feelings for him.

But I faked it once and I can fake it twice.

I can survive eighteen months and that'll be the last time I see the Aldridge brothers.

Isn't it?

*The Baker's Creek Billionaire Brothers series is a romantic comedy saga packed with the perfect mix of angst, tears, and laughs. If you like strong heroines & alpha males, steamy romances and witty love stories, this series is for you!*

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## Highland Treasure: Highland Brides

**Author: Lynsay Sands**

**A Buchanan brother finds a love to treasure in this scintillating historical romance from *New York Times* bestselling author Lynsay Sands...**

After escaping from the English soldiers who attacked her home and imprisoned her in a dungeon, Lady Elysande de Valance is grateful for the rugged Scots who are escorting her to safety in the Highlands. Even with danger dogging their every step, she hadn't expected to welcome the strong comforting embrace of their leader, Rory Buchanan. They say he's a healer, but she finds the heat of his touch does so much more...

Let his brothers get married—Rory is too busy tending to the sick to be bothered with wooing a bride. But when he is tasked with accompanying a family friend's "treasure" to the Highlands, he is surprised to learn the treasure is a beautiful woman on the run—and even more surprised to discover bruises hidden by her veil. Rory makes it his mission to tend to her injuries and protect her, but the thought of losing her makes him realize that perhaps it is *his* heart that is most in need of healing...

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## Shadows in Death: An Eve Dallas Novel

**Author: J. D. Robb**

**In the new novel in the #1 *New York Times*-bestselling series, Lt. Eve Dallas is about to walk into the shadows of her husband's dangerous past...**

While Eve examines a fresh body in Washington Square Park, her husband, Roarke, spots a man among the onlookers he's known since his younger days on the streets of Dublin. A man who claims to be his half brother. A man who kills for a living—and who burns with hatred for him.

Eve is quick to suspect that the victim's spouse—resentful over his wife's affair and poised to inherit her fortune—would have happily paid an assassin to do his dirty work. Roarke is just as quick to warn her that if Lorcan Cobbe is the hitman, she needs to be careful. Law enforcement agencies worldwide have pursued this cold-hearted killer for years, to no avail. And his lazy smirk when he looked Roarke's way indicates that he will target anyone who matters to Roarke...and is confident he'll get away with it.

Eve is desperate to protect Roarke. Roarke is desperate to protect Eve. And together, they're determined to find Cobbe before he finds them—even if it takes them across the Atlantic, far outside Eve's usual jurisdiction...

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## Love at First Fight

**Author: Carrie Aarons**

**An Amazon Top 10 Bestseller, #1 in Contemporary Romance**

This summer was supposed to be spent lounging on the beach, madly in love with my boyfriend. Until he decided to move to Singapore, and break up with me an hour before his plane left. Now I'm stuck in a Hamptons house share with six of his closest pals, including his best friend ... who despises me.

Since the moment Smith Redfield laid eyes on me, he's hated my guts. I'm serious, I think the raven-haired restaurateur gets physically sick just being in my presence. And he's never been shy about hiding that fact.

There was the time he cackled when I landed face first in a pile of Manhattan trash bags. Or the night I tried to throw my ex-boyfriend a surprise party, and Smith had strippers crash the bash. Or maybe it was New Year's Eve, when he got in my face and called me a sheltered goody two-shoes who wouldn't know passion if it smacked me in the lips.

He's rooming right next door for the summer months, and I don't think more animosity could exist than in the hallway of our vacation rental. As if I wasn't already sporting a bruised ego and broken heart from the way his best friend left me.

But the more midnight run-ins we have, the more I can't help but think about the way his mouth would feel against mine. With each heavy-eyed glance over the dinner table, I'm starting to wonder if the damaged alpha male doesn't harbor more than just loathing towards me.

After all, they say hate is the closest emotion to love. And with the way we're skating that thin line, it's bound to burn this whole house down.

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## Fall of Night: A Midnight Breed Novel

**Author: Lara Adrian**

**"Enter Lara Adrian's vampire world and be enchanted." --J. R. Ward**  
**"One of the best vampire series on the market!" --RT Book Reviews**

Breed warrior Micah is one of the Order's best, his reputation for cold justice and lethal skill rivaled only by that of his formidable father, Tegan. So, when a mission Micah's leading in an off-limits area called the Deadlands goes terribly wrong, leaving him the sole survivor of an apparent Atlantean attack, he won't rest until he has answers...and vengeance for his fallen team.

Phaedra thought it was only a dream, a hideous nightmare. Yet somehow, she had been transported from her life in Rome to a stretch of barren forest when it suddenly lit up with unearthly fire, obliterating everything in its path—including the fiercely handsome Breed warrior she'd encountered in the dream. Or so she believed, until their paths cross again and Phaedra finds herself, and her Atlantean people, at the center of Micah's wrath.

With tensions between the Breed and the Atlanteans already edging toward war, and another powerful nemesis growing bolder by the day, uncovering the stunning truth about what happened in the Deadlands will force Micah and Phaedra to work together in an alliance forged by fate and an undeniable desire neither of them can resist.

**Blood and destiny collide in *Fall of Night*, the newest action-packed, pulse-pounding novel in Lara Adrian's New York Times and #1 international bestselling *Midnight Breed* vampire romance series.**

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**Jump in and discover why millions of paranormal romance fans are addicted to Lara Adrian's "strikingly original" (Booklist) series!**

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## Shielding Jayme (Delta Team Two Book 4)

**Author: Susan Stoker**

After a decade of hard work and dedication, Jayme Caldwell's dreams of a Seattle bakery are whisked out from under her. She's licking her wounds in Killeen, Texas, living with her memaw, Winnie, while contemplating her future. Of course, Memaw knows exactly the kind of future her granddaughter needs...and it starts with a handsome young man she tricks into having dinner with Jayme. She'd be upset...if the man wasn't something straight out of any red-blooded woman's fantasies.

Rocket Long never suspected the sweet little old lady he'd befriended at the grocery store would turn out to be a conniving matchmaker, cleverly setting him up with her beloved granddaughter. But once he lays eyes on Jayme, Rocket can't be too upset. Especially when, at forty, he'd already given up on finding "the one." Suddenly, the love and family he'd all but given up on could be his for the taking.

But life is precious. And short. And happiness can be snatched away in the space of a breath. All things Rocket may discover the hard way...before he even gets his ring on Jayme's finger.

\*\* Shielding Jayme is book 4 in the Delta Team Two Series. Each book is a stand-alone, with no cliffhanger endings.

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## House of Earth and Blood (Crescent City Book 1)

**Author: Sarah J. Maas**

**A #1 New York Times bestseller!**

**Sarah J. Maas's brand-new CRESCENT CITY series begins with *House of Earth and Blood*: the story of half-Fae and half-human Bryce Quinlan as she seeks revenge in a contemporary fantasy world of magic, danger, and searing romance.**

Bryce Quinlan had the perfect life—working hard all day and partying all night—until a demon murdered her closest friends, leaving her bereft, wounded, and alone. When the accused is behind bars but the crimes start up again, Bryce finds herself at the heart of the investigation. She'll do whatever it takes to avenge their deaths.

Hunt Athalar is a notorious Fallen angel, now enslaved to the Archangels he once attempted to overthrow. His brutal skills and incredible strength have been set to one purpose—to assassinate his boss's enemies, no questions asked. But with a demon wreaking havoc in the city, he's offered an irresistible deal: help Bryce find the murderer, and his freedom will be within reach.

As Bryce and Hunt dig deep into Crescent City's underbelly, they discover a dark power that threatens everything and everyone they hold dear, and they find, in each other, a blazing passion—one that could set them both free, if they'd only let it.

With unforgettable characters, sizzling romance, and page-turning suspense, this richly inventive new fantasy series by #1 New York Times bestselling author Sarah J. Maas delves into the heartache of loss, the price of freedom—and the power of love.

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## Roommate

**Author: Sarina Bowen**

**Wanted: One roommate to share a 3-bedroom house, split the rent, and ideally not be the guy I can't stop thinking about.**

I'm a man with too many secrets, so the last thing I need is a new roommate with a sexy smile and blue eyes that see right through me. Eight years ago, Roderick left town after high school. We're not friends. I owe him nothing. But back then, I let one of my secrets slip, and he's the only one who noticed. Part of me knows I should run far, far away. But the other part wants him to come upstairs and spend the night. But if I let him in, I could lose everything.

**Seeking: a room to rent in town. I'm tidy, have no pets, and I will feed you homemade bread.**

I should probably add: Gay AF, and has no filter. It's no wonder my new landlord is so wary of me.

A smarter man would ignore those hot glances from Kieran Shipley. The broody lumberjack wants more from me than another homemade pretzel, but if I push my luck, I'll end up back on the street.

Too bad I've never been smart with my heart...

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## Rejected (Shadow Beast Shifters Book 1)

**Author: Jaymin Eve**

#1 in the entire Kindle Store.

A new paranormal romance from Wall Street Journal and USA Today bestseller Jaymin Eve.

*My father made a terrible mistake. One I'm left paying for.*

As a wolf shifter growing up in a strong pack, I should be living my best life. But after my father tried to kill our leader, I'm labelled an outcast, traitor, less than dirt.

When I can't take pack life any longer, I run, but apparently they don't like losing their punching bag. Torin, the leader's son, drags me back before my first shift... a shift that will reveal my true mate. I never could have predicted who mine would be, but the moment my wolf looks upon him, I'm filled with hope for a brighter future.

Afterall, no one ever rejects their true mate, right?

Wrong. Very wrong.

When the wolves attack, my soul screams for vengeance, and somehow I touch the shadow world. Somehow I bring him to our lands.

The Shadow Beast. Our shifter god. The devil himself.

Turns out being rejected by my mate was only the beginning.

\*If you like sexy, dark paranormal romances, with humor, steam, action, a tough heroine and an antihero, this is for you.

Rejected is full length (100k) words, is book one in Shadow Beast Shifters series, and ends on a cliffhanger. It's recommended for 18+ due to language and sexual situations.

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## Hard Code: A Laugh-Out-Loud Workplace Romantic Comedy

**Author: Misha Bell**

**My new assignment at work: test out toys. Yup, that kind.**

Well, technically, it's to test the app that controls the toys remotely.

One problem? The showgirl who's supposed to test the hardware (as in, the actual toys) joins a nunnery.

Another problem? This project is important to my Russian boss, the broody, mouthwateringly sexy Vlad, a.k.a. The Impaler.

There's only one solution: test both the software and the hardware myself... with his help.

*NOTE: This is a standalone, raunchy, slow-burn romantic comedy featuring a quirky, nerdy heroine, her hot, mysterious Russian boss, and two guinea pigs who may or may not be into scissoring each other. If any of the above is not your cup of tea, run far, far away. Otherwise, buckle in for a snort-water-up-the-nose-funny, feel-good ride.*

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## Thick as Thieves

**Author: Sandra Brown**

**In this tantalizing thriller from a #1 *New York Times* bestselling author, a woman uncovers lifelong secrets as she searches for the truth behind her father's involvement in a heist gone wrong.**

Twenty years ago in the dead of night, four seemingly random individuals pulled the ultimate heist and almost walked away with half a million dollars. But by daybreak, their plan had been shot to hell. One of them was in the hospital. One was in jail. One was dead. And one got away with it.

Arden Maxwell, the daughter of the man who disappeared all those years ago—presumably with the money, after murdering his accomplice—has never reconciled with her father's abandonment of her and her sister. After countless personal setbacks she decides to return to her family home near mysterious Caddo Lake, and finally get answers to the many questions that torment her. Little does she know, two of her father's co-conspirators—a war hero and a corrupt district attorney—are watching her every move.

Ledge Burnet, a rebellious teen at the time of the heist, evaded his jail sentence by enlisting in the army. Now he's back in town to care for his ailing father—and to keep his eye on the county's corrupt district attorney, whom he suspects was the real murderer. Although the two are bound to silence because of the crime they committed together, each has spent years waiting and hoping that the other will make a fatal misstep. But the arrival of their elusive accomplice's daughter, Arden, who may know more about the missing money than she's telling, sets them both on red alert. She ignites Ledge's determination to expose the D.A.'s treachery . . . and sparks a desire he wishes to deny.

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## **Escape With Me: A With Me In Seattle Novel (With Me In Seattle - The O'Callaghans Book 3)**

***Author: Kristen Proby***

From *New York Times* and *USA Today* Bestselling Author Kristen Proby comes *ESCAPE WITH ME*, an all-new stand-alone novel in her beloved *WITH ME IN SEATTLE* SERIES!

Keegan O'Callaghan has been told he's married to his pub. It's true. He's happiest when he's pulling taps and filling drink orders, so long as he can keep an eye on his family and ensure that all is well. Bringing a woman into his life for anything but a pleasant, short-term romp isn't even on his radar.

Until she comes running through his door, soaking wet and in a princess gown.

Isabella Harris ran out on her wedding, and she's not even a little bit sorry. She may have loved her groom a long time ago, but standing there about to take her vows, she realizes it's not right. And that's all she needs to know. Four hours later, she finds herself on a tiny island outside of Seattle, walking into a random Irish Pub and locking eyes with the sexiest bartender she's ever seen. But now what? She's alone and broke, with only a wedding dress to her name.

Despite the undeniable attraction between them, Keegan can see that Izzy's scared and alone. The job offer he extends is only until she gets back on her feet—he has no intention of keeping her.

But sometimes Fate has other plans...

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## **Shifting Sands (Lobster Bay Book 4)**

***Author: Meredith Summers***

**Andie Miller may have made a terrible mistake in moving back to Lobster Bay.**

Andie always wanted something more than small-town beach life. That's why she worked so hard at her prestigious career as an antique appraiser in New York City. She does have one regret though, she never got to make that one big important antique find of a lifetime. Now that her mother's illness has brought her back to Lobster Bay, it's unlikely she ever will.

But even though she appreciates spending time with her aging mother and loves that she's reconnected with her sister, Jane, Andie needs something more.

When an unusual opportunity presents itself, Andie is excited... until she finds out the fate of her new project is in the hands of the unscrupulous Damien Carruthers. Andie caught him ripping off little old ladies, and he's giddy with excitement at the prospect of ruining her new plans.

Then there's her old high school flame, Shane Flannery. Even though Andie was the one to break things off decades ago, she never really got over him. Shane is back in town too, but unfortunately he doesn't seem to be the least bit interested in her.

Shane's Aunt Mary, on the other hand, has taken quite a liking to Andie. Mary would love to see Shane and Andie together. Mary and Andie have gotten close. But Mary is nursing a painful heartache - she had a falling out with her daughter years ago and they haven't spoken since. Can Andie help fill that hole?

Jules Whittier messed up her life. That's how she ended up cutting hair in her great-aunt Mary's hair salon. She blew her big chance, but it wasn't totally her fault. She had some help in the form of her two cousins whom she hasn't spoken to since. When she sees things turn around for Andie, she wonders if it can happen for her too, or is it too late?

Return to Lobster Bay and check in with old friends Jane, Claire and Maxi and make some new friends too!

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## Beach Read

**Author: Emily Henry**

THE INSTANT *NEW YORK TIMES* BESTSELLER!

"Original, sparkling bright, and layered with feeling..."—Sally Thorne, author of *The Hating Game*

A romance writer who no longer believes in love and a literary writer stuck in a rut engage in a summer-long challenge that may just upend everything they believe about happily ever afters.

Augustus Everett is an acclaimed author of literary fiction. January Andrews writes bestselling romance. When she pens a happily ever after, he kills off his entire cast.

They're polar opposites.

In fact, the only thing they have in common is that for the next three months, they're living in neighboring beach houses, broke, and bogged down with writer's block.

Until, one hazy evening, one thing leads to another and they strike a deal designed to force them out of their creative ruts: Augustus will spend the summer writing something happy, and January will pen the next Great American Novel. She'll take him on field trips worthy of any rom-com montage, and he'll take her to interview surviving members of a backwoods death cult (obviously). Everyone will finish a book and no one will fall in love. Really.

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## Nantucket Weddings (Nantucket Beach Plum Cove Book 5)

**Author: Pamela M. Kelley**

Mia Maxwell used to have her dream job. She is a sought after wedding planner on Nantucket, with no shortage of business. But she is struggling a bit to get back to loving her job. It has been bittersweet to plan other people's weddings--ever since her own fiance died two weeks before their wedding.

That was a year ago and she was just starting to feel better, when she came back from a vacation to find her house burned down. So she will be staying with Lisa at the Beach Plum Cove Inn for a while, until her house is renovated.

Mia's also worried about her younger sister and best friend Izzy--she has a serious boyfriend who has grown more controlling over the past year.

As it turns out, there are several member of the Hodges family that may be in need of Mia's services--she'll be planning not one but two weddings. There are a few road bumps along the way however.

Lisa has another long-term guest that she eagerly introduces to Mia. She finds this temporary neighbor equally intriguing and frustrating and she makes it clear that she's not even close to ready to date. She's not sure if she ever will be.

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## John (Guardian Defenders Book 3)

**Author: Kris Michaels**

John Smith's world exploded. Literally. His sister murdered, he ran from the intelligence agencies of his own country. Every covert entity in the world wanted him for the information he alone could access. They killed everyone he cared about to get it. He had one chance at survival. Guardian.

Shae Diamant's undercover operation for the Mossad led her into the inner circle of hell. Three years' work crumbled beneath her feet. Her alias ruined, she knew it was only time before Stratus eliminated her.

A hidden message discovered by Guardian's elite computer specialist sends both Guardian and John Smith into action. Was this a trap to lure John into his enemy's hands? It didn't matter. Nothing would stop him from following that lead. That's where he finds the woman who would change his life forever.

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## See Her Die (Bree Taggart Book 2)

**Author: Melinda Leigh**

**Sheriff Bree Taggart is both hunter and hunted in #1 Amazon Charts and *Wall Street Journal* bestselling author Melinda Leigh's blood-freezing thriller of murder, rage, and revenge.**

New sheriff Bree Taggart is called to a shooting in a campground shuttered for the winter. But she arrives to find a perplexing crime. There is no shooter, no victim, and no blood. No one but Bree believes the sole witness, Alyssa, a homeless teenager who insists she saw her friend shot.

Bree calls in former deputy Matt Flynn and his K-9 to track the killer and search for Alyssa's friend. They discover the battered corpse of a missing university student under the ice in Grey Lake—but it's not the victim they were looking for.

When two more students go missing and additional bodies turn up, Bree must find the link between the victims. She knows only one thing for certain: the murders are fueled by rage. When Alyssa disappears, Bree must race against time to find her before her witness becomes another victim.

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## **You're The One (Very Irresistible Bachelors)**

**Author: Layla Hagen**

Hunter Caldwell has never encountered a challenge he can't conquer. He's built an impressive real estate business in New York, succeeding against all odds. He shatters every obstacle in his way...until now.

He only has one option: asking for help from the one woman who is off-limits...his best friend.

It all starts as pretend...

The first kiss is unplanned, but Josie surrenders to him instantly, driving him crazy. The second one is in front of his tight-knit family. They have to be convincing, but he's not pretending at all. Her taste is addictive, the scent of her skin is intoxicating.

On their first night together, he barely stops his fingers from pushing down the straps of her dress...

Their second night is sexy as hell, intense and unforgettable.

How can he stop the lines from blurring when all that really matters now is Josie?

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## **The Last Garden in England**

**Author: Julia Kelly**

**From the author of the international bestseller *The Light Over London* and *The Whispers of War* comes a poignant and unforgettable tale of five women living across three different times whose lives are all connected by one very special place.**

*Present day:* Emma Lovett, who has dedicated her career to breathing new life into long-neglected gardens, has just been given the opportunity of a lifetime: to restore the gardens of the famed Highbury House estate, designed in 1907 by her hero Venetia Smith. But as Emma dives deeper into the gardens' past, she begins to uncover secrets that have long lain hidden.

*1907:* A talented artist with a growing reputation for her ambitious work, Venetia Smith has carved out a niche for herself as a garden designer to industrialists, solicitors, and bankers looking to show off their wealth with sumptuous country houses. When she is hired to design the gardens of Highbury House, she is determined to make them a triumph, but the gardens—and the people she meets—promise to change her life forever.

*1944:* When land girl Beth Pedley arrives at a farm on the outskirts of the village of Highbury, all she wants is to find a place she can call home. Cook Stella Adderton, on the other hand, is desperate to leave Highbury House to pursue her own dreams. And widow Diana Symonds, the mistress of the grand house, is anxiously trying to cling to her pre-war life now that her home has been requisitioned and transformed into a convalescent hospital for wounded soldiers. But when war threatens Highbury House's treasured gardens, these three very different women are drawn together by a secret that will last for decades.

In this sweeping novel reminiscent of Kate Morton's *The Lake House* and Kristin Harmel's *The Room on Rue Amélie*, Julia Kelly explores the unexpected connections that cross time and the special places that bring people together forever.

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## **The Stud Next Door (Frisky Business Book 3)**

**Author: Kendall Ryan**

**A sexy, single dad standalone romance from New York Times bestselling author Kendall Ryan.**

Life threw me a curveball. An adorable eight-pound, four-ounce curveball with her mother's eyes and my dark hair. I'd like to think my single-dad game is strong, but honestly? I've been struggling a little.

When a beautiful young woman moves in next door and offers to give me a hand, I jump at the chance to hire her as a nanny. Jessa is amazing with my daughter. She's also patient, kind, and way too pretty.

The number one rule of hiring a nanny? Don't bed the nanny.

It's a rule I intend to keep.

But as the days pass, I begin to realize how much my life is missing. Companionship. Romance. Intimacy. When I discover my heart has space for one more female, it's a lost cause, another curveball. The hot-as-hell nanny is leaving soon for a mission trip to Central America. No sense in letting myself fantasize about Jessa being a permanent part of my life.

The closer we get, the more difficult it becomes to keep my feelings in check, because my heart won't listen. And neither will my libido.

Well, you know what they say. Rules are meant to be broken . . .

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## **This Time Next Year**

**Author: Sophie Cousens**

**INSTANT NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER**

**A GOOD MORNING AMERICA BOOK CLUB PICK**

**Their lives began together, but their worlds couldn't be more different. After thirty years of missed connections, they're about to meet again...**

Minnie Cooper knows two things with certainty: that her New Year's birthday is unlucky, and that it's all because of Quinn Hamilton, a man she's never met. Their mothers gave birth to them at the same hospital just after midnight on New Year's Day, but Quinn was given the cash prize for being the first baby born in London in 1990--and the name Minnie was meant to have, as well. With luck like that, it's no wonder each of her birthdays has been more of a disaster than the one before.

When Minnie unexpectedly runs into Quinn at a New Year's party on their mutual thirtieth birthday, she sees only more evidence that fortune has continued to favor him. The gorgeous, charming business owner truly seems to have it all--while Minnie's on the brink of losing her pie-making company and her home. But if Quinn and Minnie are from different worlds, why do they keep bumping into each other? And why is it that each fraught encounter leaves them both wanting more?

A moving, joyful love story, *This Time Next Year* explores the way fate leads us to the people we least expect--no matter what the odds.

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## **Layla**

**Author: Colleen Hoover**

**A Wall Street Journal and USA Today bestseller.**

**From #1 New York Times bestselling author Colleen Hoover comes a novel that explores life after tragedy and the enduring spirit of love.**

When Leeds meets Layla, he's convinced he'll spend the rest of his life with her--until an unexpected attack leaves Layla fighting for her life. After weeks in the hospital, Layla recovers physically, but the emotional and mental scarring has altered the woman Leeds fell in love with. In order to put their relationship back on track, Leeds whisks Layla away to the bed-and-breakfast where they first met. Once they arrive, Layla's behavior takes a bizarre turn. And that's just one of many inexplicable occurrences.

Feeling distant from Layla, Leeds soon finds solace in Willow--another guest of the B&B with whom he forms a connection through their shared concerns. As his curiosity for Willow grows, his decision to help her find answers puts him in direct conflict with Layla's well-being. Leeds soon realizes he has to make a choice because he can't help both of them. But if he makes the wrong choice, it could be detrimental for *all* of them.

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## **King's Crown (Oil Kings Book 1)**

**Author: Marie Johnston**

AFTER LOSING MY JOB and my home in the same day, I need a miracle. And that miracle is coming in the form of an interview with the son of a local oil baron, Gentry King. The catch? I have to hop on a private jet with said gorgeous oil baron to get to the interview.

Except, I miss the interview when we get waylaid by a snowstorm. Now I'm stranded with Mr. King. In the same hotel room. With only one bed.

I'VE MADE A PROMISE TO MYSELF--no more women. It's not like I'm a love 'em and leave 'em kind of guy. They all know the score, and they're all looking for the same thing I am. But I have to set a better example for my grown sons, who seem to be making all the wrong decisions when it comes to their relationships.

The last thing I need is to be stranded in a snowstorm with Kendall, twenty years my junior and unintentionally sexy. We're stuck in very close quarters. With no electricity. And no heat other than what we can generate...

## Daring Deception: An FBI romantic suspense thriller (Off the Grid: FBI Series Book 9)

**Author: Barbara Freethy**

**He didn't just break her heart, he broke her soul. He is the last person she wants to see again. And the only person who can help her solve a deadly case.**

When a bomb exploded at her college, Caitlyn Carlson's life changed in an instant. Ten years later, she's no longer a vulnerable, trusting girl, but a tough, ruthless, FBI agent. But her hard exterior covers a deep, aching hole in her heart.

Quinn Kelly has changed his life, too, trying to make up for the horrific mistakes of his youth. But some mistakes can't be outrun or forgiven. Some feelings don't stay buried, no matter how hard you try.

An explosion at a local university takes them back to the past, to the one place they never wanted to go again...and to each other. They barely survived loving each other the first time around. The secrets and lies almost killed them. Will this be their second chance, or will this be the end of everything?

### Also Available in the Off The Grid: FBI Series

Perilous Trust #1

Reckless Whisper #2

Desperate Play #3

Elusive Promise #4

Dangerous Choice #5

Ruthless Cross #6

Critical Doubt #7

Fearless Pursuit #8

Daring Deception #9

### PRAISE FOR THE OFF THE GRID SERIES:

"Barbara Freethy writes a beautiful, edge of the seat story, full of intrigue, mystery and romance. **This is my favorite FBI series!** Can't wait to read the next book!" Christine - Goodreads

"PERILOUS TRUST is a **non-stop thriller that seamlessly melds jaw-dropping suspense with sizzling romance**, and I was riveted from the first page to the last." USA Today HEA Blog

"You will love **Reckless Whisper**. From the first sentence of the book until you end, **you are on a suspense filled ride.**" J. Stryker – Goodreads

"Words cannot explain how phenomenal this book was. The characters are so believable and relatable. **The twists and turns keep you on the edge of your seat and flying through the pages.** This is one book you should be desperate to read." Caroline on **Desperate Play**

"For me a good romantic suspense book needs a **good story, strong characters, honest dialogue, chemistry between the hero and heroine and believable suspense.** **Elusive Promise** checks off all the boxes for me. Thank you Barbara Freethy for another great read!" Trude - Goodreads

"**Dangerous Choice is a clever blend of mind games and breathtaking emotion.** I felt the story come alive and twist my stomach into knots, but never did I even think about walking away." Isha – Goodreads

"My gosh...what an exhilarating ride CRITICAL DOUBT was... **I can't think of a better way to spend a Saturday night than losing myself in one of Barbara Freethy's books.** I love the Off The Grid series but I honestly think this one is my favorite. I have no doubt her next book will be awesome, too!" Booklovers Anonymous

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## Scoring Off The Ice (Ice Kings Book 2)

**Author: Stacey Lynn**

Sometimes scoring off the ice leads to the greatest rewards.

I've had only one goal in life since I first strapped on a pair of skates—make America's pro hockey league.

I left Denmark. I made it to the top. Now, I'm determined to be the best. No distractions. I eat, sleep, and breathe hockey.

Until my birthday when my teammates convince me to live a little.

But living a little takes on a whole new meaning when less than a year later I'm confronted with a crying baby on my doorstep, drooling on a note that declares he's mine.

Suddenly, I'm a single dad in way over my head.

There is no playbook for situations like this.

Luckily, I have Paisley.

My gorgeous neighbor, my long-time crush, and now—my savior.

She's there any time I need her.

Helping. Guiding. Gazing at me with those green eyes that make me feel capable of this after all.

With her at my side, I'm quickly learning there's more to life than winning a hockey game.

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## Driven: A Thrilling Novel of Suspense (Deep Ops Book 4)

**Author: Rebecca Zanetti**

A gripping, unpredictable new serial killer thriller by acclaimed *New York Times* bestselling author Rebecca Zanetti, perfect for fans of the chilling novels of Kat Martin, Laura Griffin, and Jayne Ann Krentz.

**"Zanetti is a master."**

—*Kirkus Reviews*

**Unswerving:** Angus Force is determined to hunt down the serial killer he'd once shot dead—or so he thought. But an anonymous source reports that Lassiter is alive. Force hasn't slept since, knowing it's only a matter of time before "the Surgeon" strikes again. And soon, a body is found, bearing Lassiter's same maniacal MO. It's just the beginning of a murderous trail blazing through DC and Virginia, right to Force's backyard . . .

**Unstoppable:** Nari Zhang is the shrink for the ragtag Deep Ops Unit, though she isn't Force's shrink—which is a very good thing. Because once they're thrown together on the case, their attraction is explosive and irresistible. They'll just have to fight that much harder to keep the heat between them from flaming out of control. But things are about to become far more challenging, and deadly, than they could have imagined . . .

**Unhinged:** Once the killer catches a glimpse of Nari, she becomes his new obsession. She is now the focus point—for both Force and Lassiter—in a dangerous dance for survival . . .

**"Action-packed...Zanetti still makes time to dig into her characters' psyches in the midst of the action, adding nuance to the exciting plot."**

—*Publishers Weekly*

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## Wicked in Winter (Lost Harbor, Alaska Book 4)

**Author: Jennifer Bernard**

Everyone needs a fresh start sometime. For Gretel Morrison, that time is now, and the place is tiny, snowbound Lost Harbor, Alaska. It's about time she learned how to rely on herself instead of her wealthy, controlling family. If she can survive the winter here, she can survive anything—although maybe not the lethally sexy and attractive next-door neighbor, Zander Ross.

Zander has his hands full raising his two younger brothers. The last thing he needs is distraction in the form of a spoiled rich girl who has no idea what she's in for. He'd bet anything she won't make it past the next blizzard—although he might not either, not with his sanity intact. With her dazzling smile and lighthearted style, she's everything he's not. And everything he longs for.

When a threat to the Ross family surfaces, Zander gets the shock of his life when Gretel steps up with an outrageous idea that might help them both. Can he trust her enough to take a chance? Or will Gretel's mega-millionaire father find a way to ruin their amazing-but-fragile new bond?

Alaska winters are always wild, but this one is about to get wicked.

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## Not My Match (The Game Changers Book 2)

**Author: Ilsa Madden-Mills**

**Wall Street Journal bestselling author Ilsa Madden-Mills delivers a smart and sexy romance about a professional football hottie and the girl he's sworn to never touch.**

Homeless and heartbreakingly innocent, Giselle Riley walks into my penthouse and chaos follows.

I shouldn't have invited the girl genius to live with me, but it's clear she needs my help—not only for a place to lay her pretty blonde head but in finding real love, which she's not going to get with the crazy men she picks up online.

Too bad she's a twenty-four-year-old virgin and I'm a bad boy wide receiver. She's off limits for a hardcore player like me—and we're *just* friends.

Instead, I'm her matchmaking service, no matter how jealous it makes me when I tag along on her dates.

I can keep my self-control. Right? No way will I give in to everything inside me that dreams of a girl like her in my world.

I may be the best wide receiver in the country, but how could I hold on to a girl like her?

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## **The Lies That Bind: A Novel**

**Author: Emily Giffin**

**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • In the irresistible new novel from the #1 New York Times bestselling author of *All We Ever Wanted* and *Something Borrowed*, a young woman falls hard for an impossibly perfect man before he disappears without a trace. . . .**

It's 2 A.M. on a Saturday night in the spring of 2001, and twenty-eight-year-old Cecily Gardner sits alone in a dive bar in New York's East Village, questioning her life. Feeling lonesome and homesick for the Midwest, she wonders if she'll ever make it as a reporter in the big city—and whether she made a terrible mistake in breaking up with her longtime boyfriend, Matthew.

As Cecily reaches for the phone to call him, she hears a guy on the barstool next to her say, "Don't do it—you'll regret it." Something tells her to listen, and over the next several hours—and shots of tequila—the two forge an unlikely connection. That should be it, they both decide the next morning, as Cecily reminds herself of the perils of a rebound relationship. Moreover, their timing couldn't be worse—Grant is preparing to quit his job and move overseas. Yet despite all their obstacles, they can't seem to say goodbye, and for the first time in her carefully constructed life, Cecily follows her heart instead of her head.

Then Grant disappears in the chaos of 9/11. Fearing the worst, Cecily spots his face on a missing-person poster, and realizes she is not the only one searching for him. Her investigative reporting instincts kick into action as she vows to discover the truth. But the questions pile up fast: How well did she really know Grant? Did he ever really love her? And is it possible to love a man who wasn't who he seemed to be?

*The Lies That Bind* is a mesmerizing and emotionally resonant exploration of the never-ending search for love and truth—in our relationships, our careers, and deep within our own hearts.

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## **Awakened (Steel Brothers Saga Book 16)**

**Author: Helen Hardt**

***His voice enthralls her. Her vibrancy awakens him.***

Ashley White can't wait to begin her internship at Steel Vineyards. As an oenology doctoral candidate, she knows all the theory but lacks practice. Working under renowned winemaker Ryan Steel—and his equally talented nephew, Dale—is an opportunity she can't refuse.

Dale Steel is a loner. Despite his huge family full of uncles, aunts, and cousins, he's more at home in his vineyards, where he finds something that comes close to the tranquility he craves. He'll never find true peace, and he's accepted his fate...until his new intern shows up and turns the only world he knows upside down.

Ashley awakens emotions in Dale that he never dreamed possible, and though he resents her intrusion into his life, he can't deny the sparks that blaze between them. Still, he must remain distant. To succumb to his growing feelings would provoke something else entirely—the darkness he keeps hidden even from himself.

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## **The Hero I Need: A Small Town Romance**

**Author: Nicole Snow**

**Wall Street Journal bestselling author Nicole Snow returns with a hilariously intense small-town love story where two star-crossed hearts and one snarly tiger ignite a romance up-roar.**

He knew I was trouble the instant I showed up with a stolen Bengal tiger.

But Grady McKnight didn't flinch like a sane person—he took us in.  
Bruce the tiger found shelter. I met a hero grump. And Grady got a hot mess.  
Namely, *me*.  
Born-to-sizzle single dads and rogue zoologists don't play nice.

So freaking *what* if I said I'm his nanny?  
We needed a story when his two sweet daughters barged in.  
Hiding a contraband tiger isn't easy.  
Neither is pretending he isn't sending my pulse to pitter-patter heaven.

Cupid, you sneaky little nugget.  
There's only room for *one* hulking, growly, mesmerizing beast in my life.  
I don't belong at warm family dinners, or in the fortress of his arms.  
Saving Bruce is my mission—not falling in love.

This won't end well.  
The longer I stay, the more he grins.  
Walls come crashing down.  
And my heart becomes willing prey for his carnivorous eyes.  
I must resist Grady flipping McKnight.  
Even if a scared, aching part of me knows I'm already his.  
Even if I know he's the hero I need...

*Full-length romance thriller with the growliest Happily Ever After. It's claws and effect when a wounded single dad saves a firestarter—along with her tiger, his girls, and his own beat-up heart.*

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## From Darkness and Magic: Vampires of Blood and Bones Vol. 8

**Author: B.A. Stretke**

An M/M/M Romance

Quincy York is a coven guard and soldier. He's devoted to his coven and his Master Louis DuCane. He's young for a vampire, just over a century old, but he has already made a name for himself and can see a promotion in the offing. He's been assigned to work security for the summit between Master DuCane and two elders of the Hellhound pack. This is a very important and delicate diplomatic mission, and Quincy knows that if he distinguishes himself, good things will come his way. That all changes when a small scuffle breaks out in a palace corridor, and Quincy finds himself face to face with one of the fearsome Hellhounds, and then summarily dismissed. No reason is given; he's just been removed from their detail. Quincy finds himself demoted to a routine murder investigation in town. Busy work until the hellhounds are gone. Humiliated.

Fox Wilder and Mateo Lahara are elders of the Hellhound Pack, serving their Bard and their community. They are fearsome and devastating warriors, possessing a potent blend of strength, skill, and magic. They are a mated pair and have been together for over a century. They are here in Mt. Pleasant to strike a deal with Master Louis DuCane, peace and cooperation between the vampire and the hellhound worlds. What they didn't expect is to find their third mate among Louis' coven guards. They didn't expect their third to be a vampire. Mateo doesn't care, but Fox holds deep prejudices that cause him to act rashly and cost them dearly. Can the pain of a disastrous first impression be fixed? Can they convince Quincy that they mean it when they say forever? Can Fox come to terms with his past and allow them all the future they deserve?

Other mysteries are lurking around Mt. Pleasant, and something dark and noxious is in the air. Fox, Mateo, and Quincy need to defeat it all if they stand a chance at forever.

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## One Little Lie (The Pelican Harbor Series Book 1)

**Author: Colleen Coble**

**It started with one little lie. But Jane Hardy will do everything in her power to uncover the truth in this gripping new romantic suspense.**

Jane Hardy is appointed interim sheriff in Pelican Harbor, Alabama, after her father retires, but there's no time for an adjustment period. When her father is arrested for theft and then implicated in a recent murder, Jane quickly realizes she's facing someone out to destroy the only family she has.

After escaping with her father from a cult fifteen years ago, Jane has searched relentlessly for her mother—who refused to leave—ever since. Could someone from that horrible past have found them?

Reid Bechtol is well-known for his documentaries, and his latest project involves covering Jane's career. Jane has little interest in the attention, but the committee who appointed her loves the idea of the publicity.

Jane finds herself depending on Reid's calm manner as he follows her around filming, and they begin working together to clear her father. But Reid has his own secrets from the past, and the gulf between them may be impossible to cross—especially once her father's lie catches up with him.

"Colleen Coble always raises the notch on romantic suspense, and *One Little Lie* is my favorite yet! The story took me on a wild and wonderful ride." —**Diann Mills, bestselling author**

- Full length romantic suspense
- Includes discussion questions for book clubs
- Part of the Pelican Harbor series
  - Book One: *One Little Lie*
  - Book Two: *Two Reasons to Run* (available September 2020)
  - Book Three: *Three Missing Days* (available April 2021)

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## The Villain: A Billionaire Romance

**Author: L.J. Shen**

**#1 in the entire Kindle Store**  
**A Wall Street Journal Bestseller**

**From #1 Amazon and USA Today Bestseller L.J. Shen comes an arranged marriage romance novel with teeth and claws.**

*"I'm unequivocally, irrevocably head over heels in love with Cillian Fitzpatrick. Filled with Shen's trademark wit, soul searing angst and emotional poignancy, The Villain is a deeply satisfying story of patience, acceptance, perseverance and love. Hands down a top 2020 must read! - Helena Hunting, New York Times and USA Today Bestselling Author.*

Cruel. Coldblooded. Hades in a Brioni suit.

Cillian Fitzpatrick has been dubbed every wicked thing on planet earth.

To the media, he is The Villain.

To me, he is the man who (reluctantly) saved my life.

Now I need him to do me another, small solid.

Bail me out of the mess my husband got me into.

What's a hundred grand to one of the wealthiest men in America, anyway?

Only Cillian doesn't hand out free favors.

The price for the money, it turns out, is my freedom.

Now I'm the eldest Fitzpatrick brother's little toy.

To play, to mold, to break.

Too bad Cillian forgot one, tiny detail.

Persephone wasn't only the goddess of spring; she was also the queen of death.

He thinks I'll buckle under the weight of his mind games.

He is about to find out the most lethal poison is also the sweetest.

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## Hideaway: A Novel

**Author: Nora Roberts**

**"Reading *Hideaway* is like a mini vacation, as Roberts transports you from the sun-drenched mountains of Big Sur to the rolling hills of Ireland to the bustling streets of New York City." - *Associated Press***

**A family ranch in Big Sur country and a legacy of Hollywood royalty set the stage for Nora Roberts' emotional new suspense novel, *Hideaway*.**

Caitlyn Sullivan had come from a long line of Hollywood royalty, stretching back to her Irish immigrant great-grandfather. At nine, she was already a star—yet still an innocent child who loved to play hide and seek with her cousins at the family home in Big Sur. It was during one of those games that she disappeared.

Some may have considered her a pampered princess, but Cate was in fact a smart, scrappy fighter, and she managed to escape her abductors. Dillon Cooper was shocked to find the bloodied, exhausted girl huddled in his house—but when the teenager and his family heard her story they provided refuge, reuniting her with her loved ones.

Cate's ordeal, though, was far from over. First came the discovery of a shocking betrayal that would send someone she'd trusted to prison. Then there were years spent away in western Ireland, peaceful and protected but with restlessness growing in her soul.

Finally, she would return to Los Angeles, gathering the courage to act again and get past the trauma that had derailed her life. What she didn't yet know was that two seeds had been planted that long-ago night—one of a great love, and one of a terrible vengeance...

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## Condemned to Love: A Stand-alone Dark Mafia Romance

**Author: Siobhan Davis**

A new stand-alone dark mafia romance from *USA Today* bestselling author Siobhan Davis.

***Her teen crush is now a ruthless killer and powerful mafia heir.  
Will one life-altering night unite or destroy them?***

Bennett Mazzone grew up ignorant of the truth: he is the illegitimate son of the most powerful mafia boss in New York. Until it suited his father to drag him into a world where power, wealth, violence, and cruelty are the only currency.

Celebrating her twenty-first birthday in Sin City should be fun for Sierra Lawson, but events take a deadly turn when she ends up in a private club, surrounded by dangerous men who always get what they want.

And they want *her*.

Ben can't believe his ex's little sister is all grown up, stunningly beautiful, and close to being devoured by some of the most ruthless men he has ever known. The Vegas trip is about strengthening ties, but he won't allow his associates to ruin her perfection. Although it comes at a high price, saving Sierra is his only choice.

The memory of Ben's hands on her body is seared into Sierra's flesh for eternity. She doesn't regret that night. Not even when she discovers the guy she was crushing on as a teenager is a cold, calculating killer with dark impulses and lethal enemies who want him dead.

Understanding the risks, she walks away from the only man she will ever love, stowing her secrets securely in her heart. Until the truth becomes leverage and Sierra is drawn into a bloody war—a pawn in a vicious game she doesn't want to play.

As the web of deceit is finally revealed, Ben will stop at nothing to protect Sierra. Even if loving her makes him weak. In a world where women serve a sole purpose, and alliances mean the difference between life and death, can he fight for love and win?

*This is a full-length STAND-ALONE 145k-word novel with NO cliff-hanger and a HEA. For romance readers who enjoy age-gap, sister's ex, second chance, dark mafia romance.*

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## 28 Summers

**Author: Elin Hilderbrand**

A "captivating and bittersweet" novel by the #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of *Summer of '69*: Their secret love affair has lasted for decades—but this could be the summer that changes everything (*People*).

When Mallory Blessing's son, Link, receives deathbed instructions from his mother to call a number on a slip of paper in her desk drawer, he's not sure what to expect. But he certainly does not expect Jake McCloud to answer. It's the late spring of 2020 and Jake's wife, Ursula DeGournsey, is the frontrunner in the upcoming Presidential election.

There must be a mistake, Link thinks. How do Mallory and Jake know each other?

Flash back to the sweet summer of 1993: Mallory has just inherited a beachfront cottage on Nantucket from her aunt, and she agrees to host her brother's bachelor party. Cooper's friend from college, Jake McCloud, attends, and Jake and Mallory form a bond that will persevere—through marriage, children, and Ursula's stratospheric political rise—until Mallory learns she's dying.

Based on the classic film *Same Time Next Year* (which Mallory and Jake watch every summer), *28 Summers* explores the agony and romance of a one-weekend-per-year affair and the dramatic ways this relationship complicates and enriches their lives, and the lives of the people they love.

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## Wade Rivers: Conversations with Mooney

**Author: C.J. Petit**

Wade stood in the dark street and watched his home being eaten by the raging flames. It was as if it was a horrible nightmare because it couldn't really be happening. He knew his parents had been trapped in their room where the fire had started, but there was nothing he could have done to help.

He didn't feel the town marshal's hand on his shoulder as he watched the fire brigade fight to keep the fire contained to his parents' house. All he ever knew and cared about was gone and he didn't know what would become of him now. He didn't care.

But within a month, he had been placed with a couple making the long journey to Oregon where he was to be adopted by his uncle and aunt. He had even begged to be sent to an orphanage, but to no avail. In a few months, he'd be in Oregon and be treated like a servant by his hated uncle.

He'd get his wish and never see his uncle or aunt. A near-fatal accident would lead him to an entirely different life that would make him an entirely different and better man.

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## Deep Woods

**Author: Helena Newbury**

**From the author of *Alaska Wild* comes a standalone romantic suspense you won't be able to put down. A woman on the run. A big, brooding hero who'll do anything to protect her. A tiny cabin in the heart of the woods. Get ready for scorching romance and edge-of-your-seat tension. Grab your copy and hunker down!**

I turned my back on the world. Now I live in an isolated cabin deep in the woods. *Monsters belong in the forest.*

But on a rare trip to the city, my dog, Rufus, runs off. Injured and lost, he's found and nursed back to health by Bethany, the sweetest city girl I ever laid eyes on, with a gentle voice and curves that don't quit. I can't take my eyes off of her. But we're from two different worlds. I take Rufus back to the forest, but neither of us will ever forget her.

Months later, Rufus catches a scent. It's the woman who saved him, the woman I haven't been able to stop thinking about. When I see the men chasing her, I'm filled with a protective fury like I've never felt. I fight them off...and when I look into Bethany's eyes, all I want to do is scoop her up in my arms and kiss those soft lips. But I have to resist. If she knew what I'd done....

When I find out who's after her, I know there's only one place she'll be safe. I shelter her in my cabin...but how am I supposed to fight my feelings when every look, every accidental touch, makes me want her more? She's determined to help me face the demons of my past. I'm determined to keep her safe...even if that means pushing her away. But what neither of us counted on is how far her pursuers will go to possess her. Even in the deep woods, we may not be safe. They're powerful. They're dangerous. And they're coming.

*Standalone romantic suspense, guaranteed HEA, no cheating.*

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## Swoony Billionaire: The Kline Brooks Collection

**Author: Max Monroe**

**Meet the swooniest billionaire of all time in one awesome and hilarious romantic comedy collection** (all for the price of one novella, too!)

**This collection includes the following three books:**

\**New York Times* bestseller ***Tapping the Billionaire***

\****Tapping Her***

\*And a **BRAND-NEW** novella, ***Be My Billionaire Valentine***

This is the perfect indulgence for new and old readers alike!

*A favorite book boyfriend of all time, Kline Brooks sets a different kind of standard.*

If you're the type of woman that prefers crotch selfies to small talk, this hero isn't for you.

If you HATE laughing, this hero isn't for you.

If you want your male leads to grunt, thrust like jack rabbits, and have one-track minds that prefer a nice pair of t\*ts to brains every hour of every day for the rest of forever, well...then, this hero still isn't for you.

But.

If you enjoy a good swoon, a hearty laugh, witty banter, some hot as f\*%@% f\*%@%ing, and an awesome HEA, then dive into this collection and never come up for air.

***Kline Brooks isn't the kind of man you regret.***

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## Alien AI's Marine (Warriors of the Lathar Book 14)

**Author: Mina Carter**

**He's the lone human male in a sea of lethal alien warriors. He's either gifted or suicidal...**

Kidnapped by aliens, rescued, and now on a secret base in a system he can't even pronounce, Major Jay Stephens has given up on a wing and a prayer... he's now on kicking butt and taking names. Especially when it comes to the alien AI who's risked everything, even her 'life' to protect him.

The only problem... she's gone and gotten herself a body. Beautiful and delicate, she evokes reactions in him that should be illegal. The REAL problem? An AI in

physical form is totally illegal and against just about every law in Latharian society. Which means lots of lethal aliens want to kill it, and by extension, his AI.

And that's going to be a problem. Because Jay thinks... no, he *knows* he's in love with her, and no little (large) green (totally not green) men are going to draanth up the best thing he ever had...

**She never wanted a body. Until she met her human marine.**

One of the most advanced AI's in the empire, Keris is used to being so much more than any biological could dream of. She never expected that saving a lone human would lead to her taking physical form...

But a new form comes with a whole host of new problems. She's gone from being able to run a ship single-handed to struggling to co-ordinate her own two legs. And when Jay is around, her new brain quits functioning. All she can think about is the handsome human, and what his lips would feel like on hers...

But when the chips are down and Jay is taken from her, she'll show them that any woman scorned is a dangerous thing, AI or not...

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## **A Heart's Yearning: Hearts of Willow Creek (Romancing the West Book 5)**

**Author: Linda Ford**

**From a fan favorite author with more than one million books sold: Four women chase their dreams of love in this western historical series.**

Jenny has a secret dream that she's nurtured since childhood. It's a simple dream. She longs to have a family of her own. But Jenny has always been told she's far too pretty to make a good wife. Her beauty attracts the wrong kind of attention and after an evil man tries to force himself on her she flees west.

Orphaned. Unwanted. Finn has always wanted to belong, but after being taken in by a neighboring family, he learned that the only way to protect himself was to keep his mouth shut and work hard. He stays alone in the mountains with only his mule for company.

When Finn's long-ago sweetheart dies and leaves her only son in Finn's custody, he realizes his mountain life is no place for a child. He needs a wife. After an accident, he finds himself being forced to marry the beautiful Jenny. He's been shackled to a family that didn't want him once before. What if it happens all over again?

Read more books by award-winning author Linda Ford:

Glory, Montana:

Loving a Rebel (The Preacher's Daughters)

A Love to Cherish (The Preacher's Daughters)

Renewing Love (The Preacher's Daughters)

A Love to Have and to Hold (The Preacher's Daughters)

Cowboy Father (The Cowboys)

Cowboy Groom (The Cowboys)

Cowboy Preacher (The Cowboys)

Rancher's Bride (Frontier Brides)

Hunter's Bride (Frontier Brides)

Christmas Bride (Frontier Brides)

Love on the Santa Fe Trail:

Wagon Train Baby

Wagon Train Wedding

Wagon Train Matchmaker

Wagon Train Christmas

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Reluctant Bride

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Crane's Bride

Hannah's Dream

Chastity's Angel

Cowboy Bodyguard

Big Sky Country series:

Montana Cowboy's Baby

Montana Bride by Christmas

Montana Cowboy Daddy

Montana Cowboy Family

Montana Groom of Convenience

Montana Lawman Rescuer

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## Highlander Oath Of The Beast (Highland Promise Trilogy Book 3)

**Author: Donna Fletcher**

A promise is a promise and Raven keeps hers no matter the cost.

Five years ago Raven of the Clan MacKinnon was forced to hide after the attack on her clan. She helped get her wounded father to safety, then watched helplessly as her two brothers were taken prisoner and marched off to serve the Beast, a heartless Northman determined to claim not only MacKinnon land but surrounding clan lands as well. What she witnessed that day shocked her. How she survived afterwards changed her forever.

Her brothers' return home signal her own return home to her family and relative peace. Finally, the Beast has been appeased. Or so she thinks.

Wolf is an exceptional warrior, fearless, even ruthless when necessary. He intends to claim land that rightfully belongs to his family. All went according to plan until... how did one, young lass escape a troop of warriors and ruin his well-executed plans? He searched five years for the MacKinnon lass without success, then she suddenly surfaces with a proposal for him that will end all strife and win him most of what he wants. She may think she is the victor, but he knows better. Or so he thinks.

Wolf accepts the proposal, signs the agreement, making the woman who caused him endless trouble... his wife.

Raven and Wolf face challenges, not only with each other, but with an old enemy seeking revenge, and unexpected secrets that reveal surprising truths and unforeseen danger.

Can foes become friends? Or will love decide for them?

Author note... there is a Prequel, Highland Oath, to this book. It introduces all the characters, and details that led to the Clan MacKinnon being separated. You don't have to read it to read this one, but you might find it interesting.

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## The Innkeeper's House: A Hickory Grove Novel

**Author: Elizabeth Bromke**

*A sweet-as-pie teacher. A hometown hero. And the local B&B, complete with innkeeper's quarters...*

Fresh on the heels of a broken engagement and a dead-end subbing gig, would-be English teacher Greta Houston goes home for the summer. She needs to recharge, and the farm town is just the place. Friday night fish fries and dusty back roads bring her down to earth, but Hickory Grove is only a pit stop on Greta's way back to the big city. Then she gets an interview... with the last place she'd ever thought to apply.

Football coach Luke Hart has too much on his plate. After moving to Hickory Grove to be closer to his ailing grandmother, he spends his days teaching, coaching, and volunteering at church. Life is good, until Mamaw Hart passes away, leaving him with a daunting heirloom: The Hickory Grove Inn. Luke needs help to run the place, or else he'll have to sell the one thing that connects him to his past.

*Take a trip to the heart of America and fall in love with Hickory Grove's quirky residents who work hard, enjoy the simple life, and always put love first. Each title is a standalone read.*

The Schoolhouse: Book One

The Christmas House: Book Two

The Farmhouse: Book Three

The Innkeeper's House: Book Four

The Quilting House: Book Five

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## The Finish Line (The Ravenhood Book 3)

**Author: Kate Stewart**

Now an AMAZON TOP 50 BESTSELLER!

**Secrets and Lies..**

I've lived the entirety of my life wrapped up in subterfuge for one purpose—revenge.

Through the years, I lived more as an enigma than a man.

For so long, I denied I had a beating heart of my own.

Until her. Until she unearthed the starving vessel inside, forced me to acknowledge it, forced me to understand that I'm capable of bleeding the same as any other.

For that, we paid. We're still paying.

Yet, she demands it still, the useless heart of the ruthless thief and shameless villain she fell for. My fear is, I'm no longer that man.

With the lies I've told, the life I've led, my mistakes are beginning to catch up with me, day by day, one by one.

This is my last chance, and I have no intention of losing her again, but as the deception of my past starts to unravel and close in, shedding my humanity may be the only thing that can save us both.

**Maybe it's already too late.**

**This trilogy is a gritty, modern day take on Robin Hood. It's an unconventional love story—bad boys/antiheroes—filled with suspense, steam, major twists, a little action, and ALL OF THE FEELS.**

**The Ravenhood Trilogy Reading Order**

**Book #1 Flock**

**Book #2 Exodus**

**Book #3 The Finish Line**

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## The Welcoming

**Author: Nora Roberts**

**A tale of danger and desire from #1 *New York Times* bestselling author Nora Roberts, *The Welcoming* follows a man in pursuit of a master criminal risking more than his life when he meets a woman who steals his heart.**

Charity Ford's seaside inn on Orcas Island is a home away from home for people seeking the simple pleasures in life. Falling prey to a hit-and-run accident has made Charity even more aware of how precious life is. But what she doesn't know is some of her guests are not who they appear to be. Some are involved in illegal activities—and they're responsible for Charity's near death experience. Enter Roman DeWinter, an undercover federal agent on a mission to bring the criminals to justice. He failed to protect Charity once but now he'll do anything to keep her safe.

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## Magic Julep (The Magic & Mixology Mystery Series Book 7)

**Author: Gina LaManna**

When Lily Locke receives a royal decree summoning her to the Kingdom of Crystalvia, she can hardly turn down the request. However, the invitation doesn't come without a catch. When the queen begs Lily to crack a curse that has held their village captive for three years, Lily promises to do everything she can to free them. If she doesn't, the kingdom will eventually languish... and disappear forever.

However, as Lily digs deeper into the mystery behind the endless winter, she finds the truth is a lot more than she bargained for. And when her father becomes involved, the situation turns more dangerous than ever. Still, only one thing is for certain: If Lily can't fix the curse before the clock runs out, someone will die... and her name is up next.

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## Trading with the Boys: A Reverse Harem Romance

**Author: Krista Wolf**

**Divorced, broke and alone I wasn't looking for a savior... much less *three* of them, nearly ten years my junior.**

**But Jacob, Tate and Cole have favors to give. And trading favors is *always* fun.**

Serena's in trouble, in more ways than one. Her house is falling apart, and her life's in shambles. Waitressing isn't paying the bills left behind by a husband who flew to Europe three years ago, and sent nothing back but divorce papers.

Cue Jacob, the irrepressible, sun-bronzed landscaper who insists on mowing her lawn - among other things - for free. There's Tate, the gorgeous green-eyed mechanic hellbent on restoring the classic car left in her garage, and their friend Cole, the ripped, beautiful contractor with arms like bridge cables and a hammer to match.

By day they're working together on Serena's problems in the all best possible ways. By night they're sharing her grateful rewards, equally and willingly between them.

Emotional bonds weren't on the menu, and attachments certainly weren't supposed to form. But when love rears its beautiful head and throws yet another wrench into the works? The four of them may need to re-define their budding new relationship.

Can Serena and her saviors come to an ultimate arrangement? Or will it all fall apart like a house of cards?

TRADING WITH THE BOYS is a sizzling reverse harem love story filled with humor, suspense, and butterfly-inducing action. HEA guaranteed!

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## A Scot Mess: a comedy of errors (The Hots for Scots Book 1)

**Author: Caroline Lee**

**Laird Oliphant's sons have no choice but to get married. Without an heir, the laird has gathered his sons--his six *illegitimate* sons, all born in the same year--and declared whoever presents him with a grandson first, will become the next Highland Laird.**

**Reactions are...*mixed*.**

But to Finn Oliphant, this is exactly the news he's been hoping for. You see, Finn has already chosen his future wife: the vivacious and intelligent Fiona Maclan, whom he fell in love with the previous year. He knows she's in love with him as well, so this whole "marriage ultimatum" thing should be easy-peasy. He'll simply invite Fiona to Oliphant Castle to sign all the betrothal contracts and... *Bam!* Done! They can get on with the baby-making!

Except...

It's not that Fiona is getting cold feet, exactly. She's fairly certain she loves Finn. Mostly. Well, verra likely, at least. But she's never been the most self-confident woman, especially compared to her sister--her *identical twin* sister--whom Finn happens to mistake for Fiona upon their arrival at his keep, which is *super-awkward* all around.

The idea of marrying Finn makes her feel all warm and giddy--hopefully that's just lust, not the ague--but how can she be certain he truly wants *her*, and not just *any* woman?

It's hard enough to be certain of anything on Oliphant land, especially with Finn's mad Aunt Agatha spreading rumors, five potential brothers-in-law offering terrible advice, and a mysterious ghostly drummer keeping the entire keep awake at all hours.

And *mayhap* Finn should've mentioned *his* identical twin brother as well? That information likely would have saved everyone a lot of headache...and a lot of heartbreak.

Finn and Fiona have plenty to learn about themselves, and one another, before they can be certain this marriage is a good idea. But unfortunately, they're running out of time. *Dun-dun-duuuuuuun!*

**Warning... This comedy of errors is not for anyone who can't handle the following: plenty of naughty scenes, more than a few anachronistic jokes, and an embarrassing number of mistaken-identity gags. Only pick up this book if you have a sense of humor. You've been warned.**

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# The Objects of Attraction: The Complete 6-Book Collection

**Author: Penelope Bloom**

The internationally bestselling series with over 10,000 five-star ratings on Goodreads is back. This collection introduces two brand new bonus scenes and a new novella featuring fan-favorite "Grammy" and the story of her first love.

This 6-book collection includes:

**Book 1: His Banana (Top 10 Amazon Bestseller)** - My new boss likes rules, but there's one nobody dares to break...

No touching his banana.

Seriously. The guy is like a potassium addict.

Of course, I touched it.

If you want to get technical, I actually put it in my mouth.

I chewed it up, too... I even swallowed.

I know. Bad, bad, girl.

Then I saw him, and believe it or not, choking on a guy's banana does not make the best first impression.

\*His Banana now includes a never-before-published bonus scene to conclude the book.

**Book 2: Her Cherry (Top 10 Amazon Bestseller)** - How'd I meet her?

Well, a gentleman never brags.

Thankfully, I'm no gentleman.

First, I paid for her cherry (pie, but that's not the point),

Next, I deflowered her.

After that? I left my business card and walked out like I owned the place.

Yeah, you could say we hit it off.

\*Her Cherry now includes a never-before-published bonus scene to conclude the book.

**Book 3: His Treat (top 10 Amazon Bestseller)** - Having a hot boss isn't complicated or confusing at all,

Said no one ever...

But all I have to do is resist for a few months.

Come January, I'm flying to Paris to chase my dream of being an artist,

Too bad I can't have my treat and eat it, too.

**Book 4: His Package (top 10 Amazon Bestseller)** - His package ended up inside my box.

Calm down, perv. My mailbox.

As soon as I saw what was inside,

I knew two things:

It belonged to my hot neighbor, and he had a dirty secret.

**Book 5: Her Secret (top 40 Amazon Bestseller)** - I'll admit it. I messed up.

Mistake #1: Asking Peter Barnidge for a job.

Mistake #2: Accepting his offer instead of throwing it in his face like I planned.

Mistake #3: In the interest of stopping before #99, I'll pretend the only other mistake was withholding one, tiny little nugget of truth during my interview.

**Book 6: Her Bush (top 40 Amazon Bestseller)** - Everything went wrong when I trimmed his bush.

And no, it's not what you're thinking. I'm a professional.

The client hired me to trim a bush in his garden for a party.

I accidentally turned it into something that rhymes with "a big rock and walls".

Imagine my surprise when the art world decides it's a masterpiece.

**Book 7: Grammy's Story (brand new novella only available in this bundle)** - She's kept quiet about the story of her first love for years. But when the opportunity to recount every hilarious, graphic detail of their love to William, Hailey, Bruce, and Natasha comes up, she can't resist. *Grammy's story is a quick but sweet and funny story about how she met her first love when she was eighteen and had just moved to Manhattan.*

*If you love hilariously heartfelt stories with just the right amount of swoon and a little dose of ridiculous for good measure, then clear your calendar. Once you dive in, it's going to be days before you come up for air from this bundle. Scroll up and one-click now!*

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## Follow Me Under

**Author: Helen Hardt**

***She gave him control in the bedroom. But is she losing control of her identity?***

Dating Boston's billionaire bachelor has opened up a new world for Skye Manning. Opportunities are suddenly everywhere, her new career is flourishing, and she

experiences luxury she's only seen in the pages of magazines. So why does she feel like she's losing herself?

Braden Black never meant to fall for Skye, and he still tries to resist a relationship he knows he's not wired for. But not only has Skye awoken something inside him—he's stirring something dark and forbidden inside his Cinderella. Something even he can't control...

The Follow Me series is best enjoyed in order.

Reading Order:

Book #1 Follow Me Darkly

Book #2 Follow Me Under

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## Royals Series: King of Wall Street, Duke of Manhattan, The British Knight, The Earl of London, Park Avenue Prince

**Author: Louise Bay**

**Get all FIVE multi-USA Today bestselling books!**

"A fabulous, **smouldering love story**" *Katy Evans, NYT bestselling author*

"Off the charts **hot tension and chemistry**...I ravished every page!" *Audrey Carlan, #1 NYT Bestselling Author*

"**Everything that a romance junkie could ever want** in a contemporary romance. Once you start, there is no setting this sucker down. An absolute PAGE-TURNER." *Shayna's Spicy Reads*

### King of Wall Street

At work, I'm King of Wall Street. The heaviest hitters in Manhattan come to me to make money. They do whatever I say because I'm always right. I'm shrewd. Exacting. Some say ruthless.

At home, I'm a single dad trying to keep his fourteen year old daughter a kid for as long as possible. If my daughter does what I say, somewhere there's a snowball surviving in hell. And nothing I say is ever right.

When Harper Jayne starts as a junior researcher at my firm, the barriers between my worlds begin to dissolve. She's the most infuriating woman I've ever worked with.

I don't like the way she bends over the photocopier—it makes my mouth water.

I hate the way she's so eager to do a good job—it makes my dick twitch.

And I can't stand the way she wears her hair up exposing her long neck. It makes me want to strip her naked, bend her over my desk and trail my tongue all over her body.

If my two worlds are going to collide, Harper Jayne will have to learn that I don't just rule the boardroom. I'm in charge of the bedroom, too.

### Duke of Manhattan

I was born into British aristocracy, but I've made my fortune in Manhattan.

A family feud means I need to inherit the title I've never wanted—so I need a wife.

I didn't bargain on finding a one night stand across the boardroom table the next day. I wonder if she'll marry me?

### The British Knight

Nothing and no one will stand in the way of my destiny. Not my ex-wife. Or opposing counsel. And certainly not Violet King, my disarmingly beautiful and annoyingly feisty new assistant.

Resisting this woman is more challenging than any court battle—and the only one I've secretly wanted to lose.

### The Earl of London

On a spring morning in the English countryside, a tall, dark stranger emerges from the mist. He's all tousled hair, hard chest and perfectly kissable lips. I'm sure that's a thunderclap of chemistry I feel between us.

Did I mention he's an Earl with a self-made fortune?

A billionaire who works tirelessly for charity?

And he's so hot, watching him is like staring at the sun.

Turns out the stranger's out to destroy everything I've dedicated my life to protect, the chemistry disappears and the hope that had blossomed my chest turns to rage.

### **Park Avenue Prince**

I've made every one of my billions of dollars myself. I'm calculating, astute and the best at what I do. It leaves no time for love. Until an impatient, smart-talking, beyond beautiful heiress bursts into my world.

She might be a princess but I'm going to show her who rules her body.

**Get FIVE books in one box set now!**

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## **Dare To Stay (Dare Nation Book 4)**

**Author: Carly Phillips**

**He's the one who left.**

**She's the one he left behind.**

Willow James, athletic trainer for the Miami Thunder football team, knows abandonment and hurt. A child of foster care, she's been moved around and left behind more times than she cares to count. Just when she was starting to let her guard down with Braden Prescott, he left for a two year stint with Doctors Without Borders. Now he's back.

Dr. Braden Prescott always felt like an outsider in his family of professional sports players. He's traveled the world and is better for it, but now he's home with a job for the Miami Thunder. When he comes face to face with the woman he left behind, their chemistry still smolders. She'll give him her body again but not her heart.

He knows leaving her once was the biggest mistake of his life. Can Willow learn to trust him not to leave, especially when adventure comes calling again?

DARE NATION:

Book 1: Dare to Resist - ASIN: B0842B31PL

Book 2: Dare to Tempt - ASIN: B0844N9LYK

Book 3: Dare to Play - ASIN: B087ZRKKX6

Book 4: Dare to Stay - ASIN: B089YC13VH

Book 5: Dare to Tease (Novella) - B08F2XQW7T

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## **Return to Virgin River: A Novel (A Virgin River Novel Book 21)**

**Author: Robyn Carr**

**#1 New York Times bestselling author Robyn Carr returns to the beloved town of Virgin River with a brand-new story about fresh starts and new friends.**

**Now a Netflix Original Series!**

Kaylee Sloan's home in Southern California is full of wonderful memories of the woman who raised her. But the memories are prolonging her grief over her mother's recent death. A successful author, Kaylee hoped she could pour herself into her work. Instead she has terrible writer's block and a looming deadline.

Determined to escape distractions and avoid the holiday season, Kaylee borrows a cabin in Virgin River. She knows the isolation will help her writing, and as she drives north through the mountains and the majestic redwoods, she immediately feels inspired. Until she arrives at a building that has just gone up in flames. Devastated, she heads to Jack's Bar to plan her next steps. The local watering hole is the heart of the town, and once she crosses the threshold, she's surprised to be embraced by people who are more than willing to help a friend—or a stranger—in need.

Kaylee's world is expanding in ways she never dreamed possible. And when she rescues a kitten followed by a dog with a litter of puppies, she finds her heart opening up to the animals who need her. And then there's the dog trainer who knows exactly how to help *her*. As the holidays approach, Kaylee's dread turns to wonder. Because there's no better place to spend Christmas than Virgin River.

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## **A Nantucket Affair (Nantucket Beach Plum Cove Book 4)**

**Author: Pamela M. Kelley**

Everyone thought they had the perfect marriage.

But things are sometimes not what they seem.

Lisa Hodges has always thought her best friend Sue had a dream marriage. She'd married Curt, her high school sweetheart and current business partner. After thirty-five years of marriage, she never doubted him once--until Brandi Morgan joined their thriving insurance company. Brandi is thirty-five, blonde and beautiful and is also excellent at her account manager job. All the clients love her and business is up. Sue liked her quite a bit too--until the rumors started swirling.

And it all began with A Nantucket Affair, the island's biggest charity gathering with a catered dinner and dancing on the beach. As usual, Curt is the chairman for the gala, and this year, he has a new second in command, Brandi. Sue didn't give it a second thought, until Curt suddenly dropped the fifteen pounds he'd been whining about wanting to lose and a few well meaning friends started asking her what was going on.

Meanwhile, Kristen's boyfriend, Tyler is dealing with a devastating loss and Kristen wants to be there for him, but isn't sure how best to support him, especially when she discovers a secret he's been keeping, one that could have devastating consequences for both of them.

Abby is busy learning how to be a new mother, and Lisa is madly in love with her first grandchild. And Chase and Beth have discovered a new passion project--flipping houses. Beth does the research to find the undervalued homes and Chase works his magic to renovate them. But then they get in over their heads when a project requires more than they could ever have imagined.

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## **With This Ring (To Have and To Hold Duet Book 1)**

***Author: Natasha Knight***

***A Brand New Arranged Marriage Dark Mafia Romance series from the author of Collateral Damage and The Dark Legacy Trilogy!***

When I rescued Scarlett De La Cruz from her tower it's not like her prospects were looking so great.

You'd think she'd show a little gratitude. Thank me for putting my ring on her finger and marking her as mafia property.

*My property.*

I'll keep her safe. And the trade-off isn't so bad. Most women would jump at the chance to sleep in my bed.

Not Scarlett, though.

My Cartel Princess has a big mouth and an even bigger attitude. But it's her furious caramel eyes that keep me coming back for more. That and the way her body bends to mine like it already knows it belongs to me.

Scarlett is my enemy. She's also the one woman I can't keep my hands off.

But if I don't keep my head on straight, everything I've worked for all these years will have been for nothing.

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## **Repeat Offender (Souls Chapel Revenants MC Book 1)**

***Author: Lani Lynn Vale***

Lynnwood Thatcher Windsor has lived a lot of lies. Seen a lot of good men go down.

But he will not stand by and watch as the world he's built from the ground up burns to ashes before his eyes. Even if he has to build an army to combat the problem he sees brewing around him.

One step at a time, he carefully lays out his plan, building layer after careful layer until everything is where he wants it to be.

Every part is impeccably played, his pawns are in the perfect place, and then she barrels into his life, totally scattering every single piece he's set in motion.

The bad thing is, she doesn't even realize how badly she's messed up until she's roused the beast.

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The day that Six Ines Broussard met Lynnwood Thatcher Windsor was the worst day of her life.

First, she has a public breakup with a man she's not even dating. Second, she has to deal with a black-tie event that she'd rather gouge her eyes out than to go to. Third, she then has to sit at a table for hours on end with the one man she despises.

Just wanting a break, she thinks she'll lose herself for a few hours and do what she loves to do best—spend time by herself and go for a walk in the middle of nowhere, spot some birds, and get a little sun. Only, her day doesn't go nearly as planned.

She walks right into the middle of hell. And at the center of it? Lynnwood Thatcher. The mayor. The man that she took one glance at on the night of his inauguration and dismissed as boring. A total stick in the mud.

Only, he's not so boring shirtless, in the middle of nowhere, doing things that are very illegal.

At first, she's appalled. Then her interest gets piqued. Stuck-up suit is hot! And he has tattoos. Oh, and let's not forget one hell of a mouth on him!

Then he goes and kidnaps her, and she realizes that nobody is quite as hot as you thought they were when they're now holding you hostage.

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## **The Inn At Seagrove (South Carolina Sunsets Book 4)**

**Author: Rachel Hanna**

**There's always something happening on Seagrove Island! In this fourth installment of the popular series...**

Dixie has a boyfriend, and she's hiding him from everybody.

William gets a job offer and has a big decision to make.

Dawson has a huge announcement.

Colleen gets the shock of her life.

Julie adjusts to being a grandmother.

Meg and Christian start building a life together.

**Someone unexpected comes to town and decides not to leave.**

As always, Seagrove is full of drama, surprises and heartwarming moments!

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## **SEAL SALVATION (Brotherhood Protectors Colorado Book 1)**

**Author: Elle James**

All he wants is to be left alone

Jake Cogburn lost his leg, his career, his brotherhood and his will to live when he stepped on that IED in Afghanistan. Back in his home state of Colorado, he's determined to bury himself as deeply as he can in a bottle of Jack Daniels until the pain in his leg and his heart is so numb he can no longer feel.

No man left behind

Hank Patterson refuses to let his buddy, Jake, slowly kill himself with alcohol. Hank's plan to expand the Brotherhood Protectors into Colorado will only work if he can hire the best men for the job. He wants Jake and sends fellow Coloradan, Kujo, to pull Jake out of an alcohol-induced haze to work for the team. Hank's contact has a place they can set up operations while flying under the radar—a flailing dude ranch, run by a former Marine Gunnery sergeant and his feisty daughter.

Rucker Juliet Tate is as unconventional as the name her father gave her upon her birth. After her mother died when RJ was only a baby, she was left in the capable hands of her taciturn Marine father to be raised tough and ready to accept any challenge. Including adopting a Military Working Dog with only three legs. Retraining the dog to live in a civilian world is practically a fulltime job. She's up for it, until she witnesses a meeting she shouldn't have seen and is thrown into the path of a killer who wants to wipe her memory, by erasing her from existence.

Jake's first assignment as a Brotherhood Protector is to stick to the rebellious daughter of the owner of a dude ranch and make certain she doesn't fall victim to the person gunning for her. Meanwhile, RJ fights to keep from falling victim to the love blossoming in her heart over the young Navy SEAL who dogs her every footstep. Even her German Shepherd likes the SEAL better than R.J. And worse...she finds herself falling for the cranky, one-legged frogman. Her challenge is to live long enough to see where these feelings take her.

Series Description: Fighting men, chosen for their skills, recommended by their peers and trained to protect, guard, extract and rescue, these men are the elite, the strong and perfect for their civilian assignments. Former military, special operations men, use their combat and intelligence skills to assist those in need. Brotherhood Protectors, the brainchild of Hank Patterson in Montana, has set up operations in the mountains of Colorado.

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## **Allure of the Vampire King: A paranormal romance (Blood Fire Saga Book 1)**

**Author: Bella Klaus**

## **He Broke My Heart... Now He's Returned For My Blood.**

I'm no one—just a magic-less woman who fled the supernatural world after being dumped and humiliated by the most powerful vampire in Britain.

He made me a laughing stock, a cautionary tale. I had no choice but to leave.

That was a long time ago. I got over the betrayal. Now, I'm on the mend.

But when an assassin tracks me down to London, claiming that a deadly power thrums beneath my veins, only one person is strong enough to save my hide:

Valentine Sargon—the Vampire King who stole my virginity and broke my heart.

He'll help, but only if I move into a safe house. With him.

Valentine is as handsome as the devil, silver-tongued and seductive as sin. I don't trust him or the way he hungers for my blood. But I've run out of choices and can't refuse.

He's going to protect me from the assassins, but who's going to protect me from him?

*If you like enemies-to-lovers paranormal romances with adventure, conflict, and steam, you'll love Allure of the Vampire King.*

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## **Fuse**

**Author: E. L. Todd**

After being abandoned outside the gate of her village in the middle of the night as a baby, Cora has spent her life in this small village, avoiding the marriage lottery and the advances of men she considers boys, and working in her forge as the best blacksmith...even if no one will admit it.

Until the Shamans come.

They're looking for someone...or something.

Cora has always had a temper, so when she sees the Shaman attempt to suck the soul of a boy, she stabs him mercilessly.

One problem...Shamans can't be killed.

Now she's on the run, fleeing the only home she knows.

Until she runs into a huge, fire-breathing, stubborn dragon.

Little does she know, this beast is more than just a dragon.

He's fused with a man.

A man that will change her life forever.

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## **Hot and Sexy (Some Like it Hot Book 1)**

**Author: Erika Wilde**

She has him just where she wants him...

Joelle Sommers is very good at her job as a PI and bail recovery agent, but she's definitely out of her element when she arrests sexy businessman Dean Colter in a case of mistaken identity. Because unlike her usual fugitives, Dean is cooperative, accommodating, and hot as sin . . . and not at all guilty as charged. But this bad boy isn't so innocent either, and she finds it increasingly hard to resist his seductive charm, and their mutual attraction.

After years of working himself to the point of having no life outside the office, Dean Colter is in the mood for an adventure. But being kidnapped by a gorgeous bounty hunter—one he discovers is into bondage, to boot—isn't exactly what he had in mind. Still, it doesn't take long for him to realize that being a willing captive has its advantages.

Jo might be the one with the handcuffs, but Dean's about to discover the key to unleashing the passionate, uninhibited woman beneath the tough, stubborn facade. And when he does, all bets are off.

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## **Shipped**

**Author: Angie Hockman**

**The Unhoneymooners meets The Hating Game in this witty, clever, and swoonworthy novel following a workaholic marketing manager who is forced to go on a cruise with her arch-nemesis when they're up for the same promotion.**

Between taking night classes for her MBA and her demanding day job at a cruise line, marketing manager Henley Evans barely has time for herself, let alone family, friends, or dating. But when she's shortlisted for the promotion of her dreams, all her sacrifices finally seem worth it.

The only problem? Graeme Crawford-Collins, the remote social media manager and the bane of her existence, is also up for the position. Although they've never met in person, their epic email battles are the stuff of office legend.

Their boss tasks each of them with drafting a proposal on how to boost bookings in the Galápagos—best proposal wins the promotion. There's just one catch: they have to go on a company cruise to the Galápagos Islands...together. But when the two meet on the ship, Henley is shocked to discover that the real Graeme is nothing like she imagined. As they explore the Islands together, she soon finds the line between loathing and liking thinner than a postcard.

With her career dreams in her sights and a growing attraction to the competition, Henley begins questioning her life choices. Because what's the point of working all the time if you never actually live?

Perfect for fans of Christina Lauren and Sally Thorne, *Shipped* is a fresh and engaging rom-com that celebrates the power of second chances and the magic of new beginnings.

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## Campus Player

**Author: Jennifer Sucevic**

From USA Today bestselling author Jennifer Sucevic comes a sexy, new standalone novel.

Trust me when I say that Rowan Michaels fever is alive and well at Western University. His fanbase is legendary. The guy is a major player.

Both on and off the field.

Girls fall all over themselves to be with him. They fill the stands at football practice, show up at parties he's rumored to be at, and basically stalk him around campus.

It's a little nauseating.

Don't these girls have any self-respect when it comes to a hot guy?

Fine...I'll admit it, he's good looking. If you're into that kind of thing. Which I'm not. I've got school and soccer to keep me busy which is exactly why I avoid him like an unfortunate clap diagnosis.

Too bad for me that Rowan is my father's star quarterback. He's practically part of the family, attending Wednesday night dinners with us. To make matters worse, we're in the same major and get stuck together in classes every semester. It's like the universe is trying to play a cosmic joke on me. The one guy I'd like to steer clear of is the very same one I can't seem to get away from.

But what if Rowan isn't the manwhore I pegged him to be?

What if one little secret has the capability to change everything between us?

\*This is a mature New Adult novel with strong language and sexual situations intended for readers over the age of 18\*

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## The Lost Girls of Devon

**Author: Barbara O'Neal**

**One of *Travel + Leisure's* most anticipated books of summer 2020.**

**From the *Washington Post* and Amazon Charts bestselling author of *When We Believed in Mermaids* comes a story of four generations of women grappling with family betrayals and long-buried secrets.**

It's been years since Zoe Fairchild has been to the small Devon village of her birth, but the wounds she suffered there still ache. When she learns that her old friend and grandmother's caretaker has gone missing, Zoe and her fifteen-year-old daughter return to England to help.

Zoe dreads seeing her estranged mother, who left when Zoe was seven to travel the world. As the four generations of women reunite, the emotional pain of the past is awakened. And to complicate matters further, Zoe must also confront the ex-boyfriend she betrayed many years before.

Anxieties spike when tragedy befalls another woman in the village. As the mystery turns more sinister, new grief melds with old betrayal. Now the four Fairchild women will be tested in ways they couldn't imagine as they contend with dangers within and without, desperate to heal themselves and their relationships with each other.

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## Cold Cruel Kiss: A heart-stopping and addictive romantic thriller (Cold Justice - Crossfire: FBI Romantic Suspense Book 4)

**Author: Toni Anderson**

When the daughter of the US Ambassador to Argentina is kidnapped in broad daylight on Christmas Eve, the FBI sends one of its best negotiators to investigate.

Supervisory Special Agent Max Hawthorne arrives at an embassy thrown into chaos as US and local law enforcement hustle to track the young woman. Is this a simple kidnap for ransom, or part of a political agenda? Could it be something more sinister?

Lucy Aston has something to hide. Preferring to stay in the shadows, the lowly, fashion-challenged office assistant resents being assigned to help Max. But Max can't resist a puzzle...he's starting to suspect Lucy Aston is not what she seems.

When rumors emerge of a suspected Russian spy operating out of the embassy, Lucy's carefully constructed life begins to crumble. As she and Max race to rescue the ambassador's daughter, Lucy has to do whatever it takes to keep her cover from being blown—even if that means betraying the man she's falling for.

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## The Segonian (Aldebarian Alliance Book 2)

**Author: Dianne Duvall**

**A USA TODAY Bestseller and Barnes&Noble Press Top 5 Favorite Indie eBooks Pick**

**New York Times bestselling author Dianne Duvall brings readers the second stand-alone novel in a thrilling new sci-fi romance series full of action, humor, and happily-ever-afters.**

Eliana's life has never been what one might term ordinary. At least, it hasn't been for a very long time. As a powerful Immortal Guardian, she spends her nights hunting and slaying psychotic vampires that most of humanity doesn't even realize exist. Then an opportunity arises that instantly makes her extraordinary existence seem downright boring. The leader of the Immortal Guardians asks her to guard a group of mortals who are embarking upon a voyage across the galaxy to the planet Lasara. How could she possibly say no?

In no time at all, Eliana is hurtling through space on board a Lasaran battleship and getting to know not one but *two* alien races. It's the most exciting adventure of her long life... until the ship is unexpectedly attacked. Amid the chaos and destruction that follow, she valiantly helps everyone she can before an explosion renders her unconscious. When Eliana awakens, she finds herself alone, floating in space, clad only in a spacesuit, with no ship in sight. Alone--that is--except for the warm, deep voice that carries over the comm in her helmet.

Commander Dagon and the crew of the Segonian battleship *Ranasura* respond to a distress call from their Lasaran allies and join a massive Alliance-wide search-and-rescue mission. He quickly achieves communication with a lone Earthling female and races toward her. Every time they speak, his fascination with her grows and he becomes more desperate to reach her before her oxygen supply runs out. Her strength, bravery, and humor entice him, even more so when she defies all odds and they meet in person.

As he and Eliana embark upon a quest to find her missing friends, a bond swiftly grows between them that deepens with every laugh and smile and tender touch they share. But they are not the only ones searching for Earthling survivors. When Eliana herself becomes the hunted and their enemies begin to close in, can the two of them fight their way to victory, or will their enemies take everything?

### What Readers & Reviewers Are Saying About The Aldebarian Alliance Series:

"Full of adventures, sizzling passion, romance and yes kick-ass fighting... I devoured it in one seating."--Book Dragon

"Intense, addictive and brilliant... I want more and frankly; I want it now!"--Caffeinated Reviewer

"I can't express enough how gripping this story was. This could be a movie!"--Obsessive Reading Disorder

"Dianne Duvall once again weaves her magic giving us a tale filled with excitement, romance and introducing us to new friends in a galaxy far away. Everything about this story was amazing."--eBook Obsessed

"The Lasaran has everything I love about the Immortal Guardians series: snappy dialogue, action, humor, steaminess, and paranormal elements, but now I can add space travel. Booyah!"--I'm a Voracious Reader

"I got exactly what I was expecting from this one: a thrilling, action-packed, sometimes funny romance that happens to include a hot dude from space... I highly recommend."--Romance Rehab

"Another great read by one of my favorite authors. This is a great start to a new series. Fast paced, with action, adventure and romance"--Seeing Spots

"I definitely can't wait for more . . . Full of action and a sweet unusual love story."--Read All About It

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## Ghost Train

**Author: C.J. Petit**

The Ogden station manager couldn't believe what he was being told. The scheduled train from Granger was overdue by three hours. He'd suspected a mechanical breakdown or maybe even a derailment. But the engineer of the next train to use that track had just reported that he hadn't found any signs of the train.

He had no idea how an entire train could simply vanish, but as he pondered the mystery, the head telegrapher came to his office and showed him a telegram that had been sent to Union Pacific headquarters. It was a ransom demand for a hundred thousand dollars. If it wasn't paid within a week, the train and its thirty-four passengers would be blown up.

He hurried out of his office and rushed through the early morning streets to tell the resident Union Pacific special agent of the kidnapped train. It was Nelson Cook's problem now.

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## **The Fixer: A Dark Bratva Billionaire Romance (Chicago Bratva Book 2)**

***Author: Renee Rose***

### **OWNED BY THE MAN I BETRAYED**

Six years ago I uttered a lie that changed a man's life.  
My father banished him from his bratva cell. From the country.  
Now he's back to take my inheritance. My life. Not through murder, but marriage.  
And my own father arranged it.  
Maxim thinks he can make me submit to his will. He thinks he gets to call all the shots.  
I wanted him once and he refused me. I won't fall for him again.  
And I don't plan to cave.  
Not even when he makes me tremble with need...

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## **All the Lies**

***Author: Charlotte Byrd***

**To save my job, I have to interview a reclusive writer who doesn't want to be found.**

When I find him, I realize that he is the **arrogant and gorgeous stranger** who is the only one who knows the **truth about that night**.

He agrees to speak under one condition: everything he says is off the record.

He has secrets of his own.

But something happens between us.

**His touch ignites a spark.** His eyes make me weak at the knees. I can't pull away.

This is wrong.

**This will ruin everything.**

But he looks at me in that way that no one has ever looked at me before and **I can't say no...**

### **Praise for Charlotte Byrd**

"BEST AUTHOR YET! Charlotte has done it again! There is a reason she is an amazing author and she continues to prove it! I was definitely not disappointed in this series!!" ★★★★★

"LOVE!!! I loved this book and the whole series!!! I just wish it didn't have to end. I am definitely a fan for life!!! ★★★★★

"Extremely captivating, sexy, steamy, intriguing, and intense!" ★★★★★

"Addictive and impossible to put down." ★★★★★

"What a magnificent story from the 1st book through book 6 it never slowed down always surprising the reader in one way or the other. Nicholas and Olive's paths crossed in a most unorthodox way and that's how their story begins it's exhilarating with that nail biting suspense that keeps you riding on the edge the whole series. You'll love it!" ★★★★★

"What is Love Worth. This is a great epic ending to this series. Nicholas and Olive have a deep connection and the mystery surrounding the deaths of the people he is accused of murdering is to be read. Olive is one strong woman with deep convictions. The twists, angst, confusion is all put together to make this worthwhile

read." ★★★★★

"Fast-paced romantic suspense filled with twists and turns, danger, betrayal, and so much more." ★★★★★

"Decadent, delicious, & dangerously addictive!" - Amazon Review ★★★★★

"Titillation so masterfully woven, no reader can resist its pull. A MUST-BUY!" - Bobbi Koe, Amazon Review ★★★★★

"Captivating!" - Crystal Jones, Amazon Review ★★★★★

"Sexy, secretive, pulsating chemistry..." - Mrs. K, Amazon Reviewer ★★★★★

"Charlotte Byrd is a brilliant writer. I've read loads and I've laughed and cried. She writes a balanced book with brilliant characters. Well done!" -Amazon Review ★★★★★

"Hot, steamy, and a great storyline." - Christine Reese ★★★★★

"My oh my....Charlotte has made me a fan for life." - JJ, Amazon Reviewer ★★★★★

"Wow. Just wow. Charlotte Byrd leaves me speechless and humble... It definitely kept me on the edge of my seat. Once you pick it up, you won't put it down." - Amazon Review ★★★★★

"Intrigue, lust, and great characters...what more could you ask for?!" - Dragonfly Lady ★★★★★

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## Redwood

### **Author: Janie Crouch**

Gavin Zimmerman. Military codename: **REDWOOD**. This former Special Forces soldier will protect Oak Creek from any threat.

Even one that comes in the form of a delicate blonde with haunted eyes.

A tiny town in Wyoming and the fake ID in her pocket are Lexi Adam's last chance. She's used her all her resources to escape the danger that hounds her. A danger the whole world would agree she brought on herself.

She just wants a chance to start over, to rest for a moment, but the town's upstanding and *oh so sexy* sheriff is determined to get to the truth behind her lies.

**Even if it gets them both killed.**

★★★★★

*USA Today and Publishers Weekly bestselling author Janie Crouch brings you that perfect book you've been looking for to escape everyday reality—and a hero you can believe in. **Don't miss this gruff former-military warrior and the woman who doesn't believe she deserves a second chance. REDWOOD is a full-length novel with no cliffhanger, no cheating, and a happily-ever-after guaranteed!***

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