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Twisted Details

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From Reader Review Twisted for online ebook

Heather Bass says

This is the eighth book to this epic series of the Steele Brothers. You have to read them all in order or you will be totally lost. The order is Craving, Obsession, Possession, Melt, Burn, Surrender, Shattered, and now Twisted. This book continues Ryan and Ruby's journey. It starts from where Shattered ended. I have read this whole series from the beginning and this author always leave me speechless. This book kept me glued to my Kindle all hours of the night. It only took me a few hours to devour this book.

Ryan Steele has been lied to by his siblings and the woman he trusted with his heart. He doesn't know who to trust now. Ryan is trying to clear his head after his life was shattered by the ones he loves. He is taking a drive when he gets a phone call that changes everything he thought he knew about his family. Ryan and his brothers are starting to put the puzzle together but they are still missing pieces. They only have one more guy to catch and bring to justice for their little brother Talon. The problem is he is going to be the hardest to catch. Ryan is realizing that he really has true feelings for Ruby but does she feel the same way? Will Ryan find out the truth or is his life more twisted than he thought it was?

This talented author has done it again. She has made another masterpiece. This book will have you on your toes the whole entire time. The storyline has it all romance, suspense, and mystery. You will fall in love with Ryan and Ruby all over again. They are both two broken souls trying to heal each other but their is always something trying to hold them back. These characters have some pretty steamy scenes that will make your temperature rise. I love that this amazing author wrote this book in both of the characters points of views. This gives you more of a personal connection with these characters. This book will leave your mind twisted. This family is so close to finding out the truth and I can't wait to read how this series will end. I'm already counting down the days for Unraveled.

Aimee says

Actual rating 3.5

I liked this one I just think it was a bit lacking in the suspense and mystery that the others had. I found I could guess quite easily what was going to happen and all of it just fell a bit short. I read it in one day though so it was still a super easy light read.

Elle's Book Blog says

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Genre: Romantic Suspense.

Helen Hardt has done a great job with this series as her readers are always anxiously waiting for the next release. Even more, readers never know what to expect and the twists and turns keep us eagerly flipping the pages in anticipation of what is going to happen next. If you haven't read the series as of yet then I highly recommend starting from the beginning otherwise, you will be totally lost. This is a series that **MUST** be

read in order because it follows the same "plot force" throughout all of the books. Perhaps some readers may become confused because there are different romances being staged in different books BUT if you read them in order you will understand. In the first three books readers will get to know Talon and Jade. It is also in these books where the plot is being set up for the rest of the books in the series. In the next three books we move to a new brother, Jonah and his love interest, Dr. Melanie Carmichael. The plot in these books become even more mind mending as these brothers are still on the hunt to find out HOW a kidnapping took place within their family. In the final three books (this being the second of the three) readers will get a closer look at Ryan. He is the third brother in the Steel family and perhaps the one who is embroiled the most in the happenings. I won't say HOW or WHY as that would spoil everything for future readers but be aware that his story is going to both answer questions and leave readers left wondering.

More about the series

This is a dark series as it features some pretty disturbing content (view spoiler) but it is not what really in your face content. The stories are mainly about solving the mystery as to who was behind the brutal abuse of one of the characters and their search for answers. Flashbacks will display the disturbing scenes but it doesn't make up the entire story.

Romance is one of the main features of course and readers will be along for the ride when these three men who have been through hell find love in the most unexpected ways. Sex is a huge part of their relationships so I would consider a lot of the book to be erotic in nature as the scenes are pretty descriptive and blush worthy.

All of the characters that I have met have become near and dear to my heart and while I couldn't necessarily connect with them on a deep level, I enjoyed getting to know them and their relationships with their women and family.

The plot is THICK with tension. Readers will be on the edge of their seats and flipping the pages erratically in anticipation of what's to come. There is a lot going on within the plot which is probably why the entire story takes 9 books to tell and I like how the author split it up so it wasn't too much at one.

With all that being said, I WOULD recommend this book (as long as you start from the BEGINNING) to readers who enjoy darker stories and romantic suspense. It has been one of the few series that I have read each release as they come out and has held my interest the entire time. I look forward to the 9th and final book which is coming next year.

WHAT I REALLY LIKED ABOUT TWISTED

- The slow burn relationship between Ryan and Ruby. These two have both been through a hell of a lot of stuff in their life and were slow to come together. Had they been rushing it I wouldn't have believed it at all so I am glad the author didn't force these two together quickly.
- The TWISTS. I thought I had seen all the possible twists and turns we could get in the previous books but I was so wrong. Helen continues to amaze me with the layers of her stories.
- The romance. I am not really one to enjoy erotically charged romances but I couldn't help but become invested in these two even through all the sex. Helen does a wonderful job at bringing flawed and broken characters together in a timely fashion that doesn't seem fake.

WHAT I DIDN'T LIKE ABOUT TWISTED

- Half of the book is sex scenes. Yea, I know sex is important in any relationship and becoming close to

another person this way is natural and important. But, the book could have been cut in half the pages if there wasn't so much sex in it. To me, this takes away from the plot (it kind of sidetracks me).

→ The number of books in the series. I think this series could have easily been brought down to three books (each featuring one of the brothers). As I mentioned above, most of the scenes in all of them is SEXUAL so if we cut some of that out the books would have been shorter. Even more, these books (individually) are only around 250 pages each. Had the author written them as one per brother, it wouldn't have been that big of a book in the first place and readers wouldn't have had to wait a month for the next one.

→ The Cliffhangers: Each book HAS A DANG CLIFFHAGER. I applaud the author for keeping readers interested this way but when you have a cliffy in 8 books readers may become tired of it and stop reading.

Cindy M. Green says

Please note that you need to read this series in order: Craving, Obsession, Possession, Melt, Burn, Surrender, Shattered and then Twisted (Unraveled comes out in 2018).

Twisted begins where Shattered left off and as you know, Helen dangled that proverbial carrot in front of us once again. Ryan and Ruby are still working together to figure out the strange mysteries that plague their families. Some puzzle pieces are falling together, while others are still missing.

The development of Ryan and Ruby's relationship is fast, yet careful and guarded. They are extremely conflicted and although it's clear to them both they have something special, they find it hard to trust other people. Ruby has dealt with conflict since she was a teen and has relied only on herself to get through life. She's come out of her shell a lot and I admire her perseverance in trying to rewrite the future she thought she has set for herself. Ryan has learned some things that have turned his life upside down, he doesn't know where to turn anymore and feels lost. He's still the same sweet, honest, patient Baby Steel Brother we've come to know and love, but sadly feels he doesn't know where he belongs.

We all know by now that Helen is the Queen of cliffhangers. That is what's so appealing about this series. We have twists, turns, one step forward, two steps back. The need to frantically turn page after page and not stop is always present. That doesn't diminish the sexy, heart pounding erotic moments between these broken characters. We get it all, mystery, intrigue, suspense and best of all characters that we come to know and love like family. Enjoy the ride that is the Steel Brothers!

Martha says

This is book 8 in the Steel Brother's Saga and these books should be read in order.

WOW! This book left me speechless. I am highly anticipating Unraveled already. Helen Hardt will always be the QUEEN of Cliffhangers and amazing books. These books continue to just get better and better.

Ryan and Ruby are both so conflicted and trying to find out the truth. It is so hard for either to trust due to their pasts. Throughout this book they are still searching for the truth and as usual it is all very dangerous and

complicated. While they find some truths they are left with just as many questions. This is a MUST READ!!!

And do not worry there are definitely some hot and steamy scenes amidst all of the mystery... HOT HOT HOT

Sissy's Romance Book Review says

Twisted by Helen Hardt is book Eight in the Steel Brothers Saga. This continues the story of Ryan Steel and Ruby Lee so I would highly recommend reading the previous book 'Shattered'.

Ryan is trying to deal with all the secrets that have been kept from him...along with who Ruby's father is.

Ryan and his brother has been looking into the long ago kidnapping of their brother which has unveiled a lot of upsetting surprises. This book deals with finding out more of what happened and looking to heal the wounds that it has opened. Their story doesn't end with this book so we will get to seem more of it going forward.

Overall their story has been pretty exciting and emotional and I look forward to reading more of it!

Carol Ann says

Twisted is book eight in the Steel Brothers series by Helen Hardt, and the story lives up to it's title. I love Ruby Lee and Ryan Steel together. They are two tortured souls with evil parents, and yet they both heal each other with their incredible love. This has been a theme in the Steel Brothers series, as Jade and Talon surpass inconceivable horror with their sweet love, and Melanie with Jonah also find such fantastic healing love with some divine domination! As in the previous books, there are questions that are answered, and some questions still remain. Of course in true Helen Hardt fashion, the ending is quite the cliffhanger! There are so many feels for me in this book, and it was a twisted roller coaster ride at times! Incredible story that shows that even with evil DNA, and horrific happenings in one's childhood, true love can heal the worst of the worst!!! The love scenes are panty melting, steamy, and delightful. Both Ruby and Ryan want to take care of the other, both physically and emotionally, and that is beautiful love. We get to see a little of Jade and Talon, and more of Melanie and Jonah. I love how each book has built on the last, and continues to draw us to the final book in the series. While I will be very sad to say good bye to the Steel Brothers, I cannot wait for the conclusion of this series in the final book, Unravalled. I have loved each and every book in this series. This book has made me think about all sorts of issues and that is a sign of a great book. Keep writing your stories Helen Hardt, because I sure do love to read them!!!!

Mindy Lou's Book Review says

Twisted is the continuation of Ryan and Ruby's story. You will at-least want to start with Shattered since that is the beginning of their story, however, it is not the beginning of the overall plot. Therefor you might want to start at the very beginning in book 1.

This book did uncover some new information as these characters try to unravel more information. However, the majority of this book was Ryan dealing with the fact that Wendy is his mom and not Daphne. He is not dealing well with having a sociopath for a mother and learning that his brothers are only half brothers. Throw

in his new relationship with Ruby and he is understandably having a hard time adjusting.

I felt that Ruby's character really grew in this book. She's coming into her own and I really like her with Ryan. I'm so curious how things end up with her father. Is she going to be the one to take him down? I'm looking forward to the next book! ARC provided by Netgalley.

Melissa Wright says

Holy-mind-fu@k this series is amazing.

The chemistry between Ryan and Ruby is intense and sexy as hell. A lot of questions are answered, however just when you think you got it all figured out another twist and your back to the beginning. That is what makes this series so addictive!

The Steel saga is full of sexy alphas and their strong women trying to get the answer to the zillions of questions that keep coming up. The storys will keep you entertained from start to finish and as always leaving you panting for Feb 13, 2018 when all will finally be revealed in Unraveled.

Naughty Mom Story Time says

One thing is for certain. The Steel Brothers Saga is a TRUE saga. So much mystery and clue searching from the first book to now has been an amazing adventure. And while Jonah, Talon and Ryan try to solve the mystery that surrounds their family they still manage to find love which is absolutely amazing. And the women they find only help aid them in getting closer to the truth, as they each have their own strong attributes as well.

For Ryan and Ruby, they are both struggling with similar issues. Learning and knowing your parentage isn't something to be proud of only haunts them as they face guilt of what their parents have done and they spiral out of control. However, their chemistry and strong connection allows them to regain that control when they are alone and in some instances an actual necessity to regain their bearings as they work toward finding answers.

And what is absolutely amazing in the storytelling of this series is that with each new clue and answer uncovered - the characters are faced with more questions. It seems the closer they get the farther the end to this ordeal appears and yet they continue to fight together as a family and strong unit to get to the truth. This serial has been one of the best I've read. It's not a romance of three brothers with a splash of mystery. No, this is a family mystery where three brothers find love on the way to getting answers.

I can't wait for the conclusion to Ryan and Ruby's story as they find all the answers the Steel brothers seek and get the justice and peace they so deserve - but it will be bittersweet, as I don't want this to end.

.Under the pages says

Review available at Under the Pages.

Angel Payne says

It's official. Ryan Steel has stolen my heart out from my chest and twisted it to his will forever. In this book, the second part of his trilogy in the Steel Brothers series, the youngest Steel comes into his own as a person and as a hero, due mostly to the inner conflicts he has to face and overcome. Drawing from the strength he gains from the love of his woman, the man resolves to become better than his past in order to face his future as an evolved human being, and a braver person. In his case, that struggle is monumental. I truly enjoyed Ruby's development, too--but in this book, it was Ryan who dominated the story for me, and earned himself my undying devotion. What a hero!

Valeen Robertson says

Ryan Steel has just found out a huge secret. It's caused him to run off in his beloved Porsche so he can think (and rant and rave in his mind) and his Porsche ends up in not such great condition. Thank God Ryan isn't killed during his freak-out. But now he's back and looking for more answers about his family, about the woman he loves. Can he trust her any longer? Can he tell her how he feels about her?

Ruby's having family issues, too, though, thanks to her evil father. He makes a lot of appearances in *Twisted*, answers some questions that have been raised, and proposes even more that will hopefully be answered in the next book.

There are more revelations, but honestly, not a whole lot happens in this installment of the Steel family journey. That's why the 3 instead of 4 stars. It's still well-written, though, and Ryan and Ruby are still a pretty great couple. *Twisted* is kind of short, though, and Ruby and Ryan aren't together enough in it to satisfy me. Of course there's yet another cliffhanger, but I've looked ahead and found out that the next book in their journey is their last book. Not sure if it's the last in the series, but it is the last in Ryan and Ruby's story.

I received an ARC via NetGalley for an honest review.

Nicole Posey says

OMG AMAZING BOOK!!!!!! CAN'T BELIEVE HOW IT ENDED!!!!!! LEFT ME ALL TWISTED UP!!!!!! NEED MORE!!!!!!

Sandra says

I received *Twisted* as an ARC and oh my goodness it was phenomenal. The mystery surrounding the Steel Brothers continues with twists and turns....

****Synopsis: Ryan Steel, his world recently upended by an earth-shattering secret, now faces yet another

potential revelation surrounding the Steel family mystery. He no longer fully trusts his siblings or the woman he loves. He's alone—alone and terrified and immersed in a conundrum that becomes more twisted each day.

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Ryan and Ruby's relationship gets deeper and hot. They're bedroom scenes are soooooo hot!!! Ryan and Ruby learn new things regarding their lives, new clues surrounding their fathers adolescence era. They're so in sync that their minds think alike and when they can't handle their feelings they take it to the bedroom....

As always Helen you did an awesome job. The book has twists, angst, happiness, anger, betrayal, love, family, friendships and hot very hot sexy times, and so much suspense.

This continues to be the best suspenseful romantic thriller of all time

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Can't wait for the next book....
