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Nothing's impossible when love is on the menu. In Peggy Jaeger's luscious series, the only thing more tempting than a delicious meal is a truly delectable romance . . .

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Photographer Gemma Laine is looking for arresting faces on the streets of Manhattan when her camera captures something shocking—a triple murder. In that moment, she becomes a target for the mob—and a top priority for a very determined, breathtakingly handsome, FBI special agent. With deadlines to meet and photo shoots on her calendar, Gemma chafes at the idea of protection, but every moment she spends under his watchful eye is a temptation to lose herself in his muscular arms . . .

With two of his men and one crucial witness dead, Special Agent Kyros Pappandreos can't afford to be distracted. But Gemma is dazzling—and her connection to Kandy Laine's high-profile cooking empire makes her an especially easy mark for some very bad people. Keeping her safe is much more pleasure than business, but as the heat between them starts to sizzle, Ky is set to investigate whether they have a shot at love . . .

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Syndi Day says

i was the lucky winner of a copy of this novel through a goodreads win. it is a very sweet romance novel with a great story line.the characters are very believable and likable. the novel has lots of action, drama and mystery as well as great steamy parts. at the end it also includes some recipes that sound amazing. a great afternoon read. syndi

Ruby Scalera says

This is my first book by Peggy and I have to say that I'm completely hooked! In this sexy, fun suspense story, her powerful heroine (I *loved* Gemma) and her oh-so-sexy Good Guy hero (give me a Ky any day!) come together organically and with a ton of sizzling heat!

I thought her story was believable and unique (even with the 'trapped in a cabin trope', which is one of my favorite romance themes), and I loved the flirtation and genuine relationship building. (And the sparring scenes, yes please!) I highly recommend this book, and I can't wait to read more Peggy!

Cheryl says

Gemma is a photographer who captures a murder on film as well as the get away car. The three men killed were two FBI agents and an informant. Kyros Pappandreas is the special agent in charge. When Gemma is attacked, Ky takes her into protective custody. The build of their relationship is done well. The suspense part is also well done as you try to guess the mole in the FBI. The ending was satisfying. Food also played an integral part as it did in the first book. A good addition to the series.

Bernie says

A Shot at Love is the second excellent romantic suspense book in the Will Cook for Love series written by author Peggy Jaeger. The characters are charismatic. I will look forward to reading more in this series. Thanks to NetGalley and Kensington Books/Lyrical Shine for the advance copy.

Melena Torretta says

Gemma is a talented photographer who happens to be in the wrong place at the wrong time when she captures a murder on camera.

Ky is an FBI agent and his star witness that was in protective custody has just been killed. After Gemma is threatened too she ends up with Ky until they are able to find the man responsible for the murder.

The second in the Will Cook for Love series, I enjoyed A Shot at Love even more than the first book. Gemma is strong, talented, and smart. I really liked that she knows self defense and had a passion for photography. She was a really well-rounded character.

Gemma and Ky together were a lot of fun and I liked their banter and relationship.

I liked, too, that you can jump in with this story and read it as a standalone. If you are looking for a mystery/adventure with some romance thrown in I definitely recommend A Shot at Love.

Thank you to Netgalley for providing an ARC in exchange for an honest review.

Terri says

Review also found at <https://kristineandterri.blogspot.ca/...>

I received an ARC of this book from the publisher via Netgalley in exchange for an honest review. Thank you!

This is one of those stories that I have a hard time explaining why I liked it but I simply did. This is the second in the Will Cook for Love series and I felt the same about the first one as well. Don't worry if you are picking this up without reading the first as it can be read as a stand alone.

This has the perfect mixture of attraction (and angst) along with just enough suspense to keep the story moving at a good pace. Pair two really strong characters and you have a formula that works.

I loved that Gemma was a kick ass type of girl, trained in numerous fighting techniques (sorry I forgot the disciplines), she was no push over. Then you have Ky who is the chiseled and dreamy FBI agent who is assigned to her protection and her match in every way. Too often the girl can be weak in these scenarios, relying on the man to save the day, but not on Gemma's case. She was one kick ass civilian. As a result, the chemistry between the two was off the charts.

To keep the story realistic when they are on the run from killer mobsters, you could see the transition of their attraction and it wasn't immediately between the sheets followed by eternal love which other stories can sometimes do. I liked this, it kept the story fresh and kept me invested in the characters.

At the end of the day, this is a story, and series, that I enjoyed quite a bit. I am not sure where or if it will even go next but I am hoping since Gemma still has a few more sisters we have not heard about that this series will continue. I will be in line to read it!

Jen (That's What I'm Talking About) says

Agent Kyros (Ky) Pappandreas has been working on a mafia case for three years when the only witness is shot and killed on the streets of New York, along with two of Ky's men. Photographer Gemma Laine happened to be in the right place at the wrong time. Capturing faces of New Yorkers for her next book, she witnesses and records the entire event on her camera... making her Ritandi's next target.

When there is one attempt too many on Gemma's life while she's in FBI custody, Ky realizes he has a mole within his team, and takes her safety into his own hands. The pair hide out in a remote cabin and come to realize that while hiding away, they both have never felt more alive or free.

A Shot at Love is the second romance in the Will Cook for Love series. While the book takes place in the same world and involves the same characters as the first, it is a standalone read. And even with their similarities, the two books are unique and independent. A Shot at Love definitely falls more in the romantic suspense subgenre than the first title, which also contained a bit of action.

Ky and Gemma are a great couple. They share similar values and interests. They are both physically strong and mentally sharp. I enjoyed watching the pair as they each learned more about the other; each pleasantly surprised that their physical attraction is rooted in something deeper. It's like I could feel the awe in each as they grew closer together, becoming more and more entwined. I especially liked that the professional aspect of Ky's job and getting involved with Gemma is addressed and always on his mind. The author gives Ky support in the form of an additional protector, helping ease the way for the couple to pair up.

Ky and Gemma have a palpable chemistry that explodes when they touch, especially their first couple encounters. My only small complaint is that the pair is a bit goofy with their talk, in bed. They are silly in a way that made me think both are nervous, which may be exactly the point. Gemma has some serious trust issues, and the author does a great job developing the character. However, I wanted Gemma just to take charge and let go of her fears (which she does eventually!).

While I enjoyed the romance a lot, I did have an issue with the resolution of the mafia case. Trying not to be spoilerish, I need to say that there is NO WAY Ky's plan to take down the mole would have happened as it did. And I'm not just talking about in the real world - but within the parameters of the story. I felt it was unrealistic and that bothered me.

In the end, I enjoyed Gemma and Ky's story, regardless of how the case went down. I love that the author made Gemma and Ky real and that they were sexy and fell in love without thinking of or having sex during inappropriately dangerous times; there was work mode and non-work mode. A Shot at Love is action-packed and super sexy, and an enjoyable read.

My Rating: B/B- Liked It, but I had a small issue
Review copy received from Netgalley

Kari Lemor says

Just finished A Shot At Love by Peggy Jaeger and damn if she didn't do it again. Got me turning the page and loving every minute. This one started out with a bang, literally. Gemma, our heroine, witnesses a mob killing and the strapping FBI agent who is on the case now needs to protect her. Love this trope! Jaeger's characters are always so wonderful and exactly the people you'd want to hang out with. Well, not in the middle of a mob hit but any other time. We had a few visits from characters in her first book in this series, Cooking with Kandy, and it's so great to see them together and happy. This book had quite a bit of extra steam added to the cooking pot. H O T! Peggy Jaeger has definitely earned her spot on my 'must buy' list!! I got this great book courtesy of NetGalley.

Bette Hansen says

An absolutely excellent read!! I loved the fast pace of the story, the suspense elements of the story, and of course the great romance and chemistry between Ky and Gemma. This one had a perfect balance between romance and suspense. The writing was fantastic and these characters will win your heart right from the start.

Gemma definitely finds herself in the wrong place at the right time and now her life is in danger. With Special Agent Kyros Pappandreas in charge of the case as well as her protection, her heart might be in danger as well!

A must read. I highly recommend it.

Gina says

A page turner

I absolutely love this series. Tons of action, heat, and humor. Peggy always delivers a book I can't put down.

??Trea says

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After reading the first book in this series, I didn't hold much hope for this story. Thankfully, it was actually a very good read!

I really liked Gemma! She was definitely a "warrior woman", but more importantly, there was a LOGICAL reason for her to be such! I could really identify with her, even down to her Diet Mountain Dew habit! I liked the descriptions of her pictures, I could almost imagine seeing them along with Kyros! Kyros was all right, definitely FBI material, but I can't quite figure out what was off about him. However, I did like reading about his Greek family and recipes!

The suspense plot was well done, but a little rushed. I was quite surprised by the identity of the mole, and would have liked to see more time with the crime lord. I also liked seeing the blurb for the next book in the series, and it definitely got me interested in reading it! All things considered, I really recommend this book!

Doni says

A Shot at Love is a fabulous story. It's the first book, I have read by Peggy Jaeger, & it won't be my last. I loved it, & thoroughly enjoyed reading it. It is romance suspense at its finest.

This love story is about Gemma & Ky.

Gemma Laine is a world famous photographer. While walking the streets of New York, taking pictures of interesting faces, she captures a series of pictures she didn't expect. She is questioned by FBI agent, Kyros Pappandreas. After being released from questioning, she is attacked in her home, by a man wanting the pictures she took. Gemma, told him the FBI has it. He was also sent to silence her.

Luckily, she has been trained in marital arts.

When Ky, comes to investigate what happened, he decides they need to put her in protective custody.

It is an exciting, suspenseful, sexy story, that keeps you on the edge of your seat, till the very end.

A MUST READ BY EVERYONE!!!

Bec_BookMagicReviews says

Gemma Laine never imagined her life would be turned upside down as much as it is when she witnesses a triple murder. But when she becomes the target of the mob, she has no choice except to trust FBI agent Kyros Pappandreas to keep her safe. The question is -- will Kyros be able to protect her, so they can have their chance at happy ever after; or will the pair be forever on the run in order to stay ahead of the person determined to kill Gemma?

This is the first book I've read by Ms. Jaeger, and what a book it was since it had everything I love in a romantic suspense. Really, there was edge-of-your-seat suspense, a good dose of romance, a fast-paced storyline and compelling dialogue that had my eyes glued to the pages, determined to discover what would happen every time Kyros and Gemma found themselves in trouble. How did the bad guys know where they constantly were? Will Kyros discover where the leak in information is coming from before it's too late? The way this story started drew me in immediately, because the hero has such a commanding presence as an FBI agent that just made me want to learn more about him.

As for the dialogue, it was wonderfully-crafted and completely compelling due to the main characters back stories and everything they go through on their journey to happy ever after including someone determined to take Kyros down as well as seeing that Gemma doesn't make things difficult for the notorious mob boss after her. Furthermore, the main characters were incredible and I loved every moment they conversed, as the heroine has serious trust issues that make her argue and question Kyros every chance she gets because it's not fair that she needs to stay hidden due to what she witnessed. At times, the heroine had me wanting to laugh at how difficult she can be, but at least she provides a challenge for the hero. While the hero, he's confident, a good agent and will do anything to protect the heroine, which is proven by all that he does for her. I also liked that he was willing to help her get her life back, even though things could get very dangerous.

Overall, Ms. Jaeger has delivered a remarkable read in this book where the chemistry between this couple was powerful; the romance wonderful and shows how special Kyros thinks Gemma is; the secondary characters had me totally hooked, especially Rick because of the way he banters with the heroine and teases her with the nickname he has for her; and the ending had me absolutely delighted by the hero's determination to win the heroine's heart because there's no way he can let her get away. Then again, how could Gemma possibly resist Kyros? However, it was the final chapter that wrapped this story up perfectly, because of this couple's conversation when it comes to their families, their future and how good the heroine is at her career. Will Kyros be impressed by her skills behind her camera? I would recommend *A Shot at Love* by Peggy Jaeger, if you enjoy Romantic Suspense, the opposites attract trope, or books by authors Kari Lemor, Sharon Sala, Brenda Novak and Katie Ruggle. Furthermore, this is a story I highly recommend!

Tena Stetler says

A spooktacular whodunit, after all it's October. LOL. Gemma Laine is a world famous photo journalist. When a Mob hit goes down right in front of Gemma, she captures it all with her digital camera. Now the FBI take her camera and SD card as part of their investigation, raising her ire as those are not the only photos on that SD card and that camera is her baby.

The police and FBI are not the only ones seeking those pictures. After an attempt on Gemma life, Special Agent Kyros Pappandreos insists on taking Gemma into protective custody. In the mob hit, two of his men and a crucial witness were killed. He's not taking any chances with her.

What neither Ky or Gemma anticipate is the heat that sizzles between them as Ky tries to keep Gemma out of the mob's hands.

The storyline keeps you enthralled with the perfect balance of romance and suspense. It's no surprise that Peggy's characters grab hold of you and don't let go until you've turned the last page and closed the book with a satisfied sigh. I highly recommend *A Shot at Love* and look forward to reading the next book in this series.

Treena says

Thank you to NetGalley for my ARC of this book! The review below is my own opinion.

This is the 2nd book from Peggy Jaeger that I've read and when it popped up on NetGalley I requested it right away. But I didn't read it at once. See, I felt like I was being such a nitpicky witch for some weeks now. Man, I've been in such a horrible book slump. Everything that I was reading was just driving me batty and I felt like any reviews I posted would be unfair because of the mood I was in. So I stopped reading for a while (around 2 weeks --- which is the longest reading hiatus I've taken.)

Anyway, this was the book that I first read after my self-imposed hiatus. It was awesome! Thank you for writing another great story, Peggy Jaeger!

Who remembers *Alias*, the TV show starring Jennifer Garner? Well, I was such a **HUGE** fan of *Alias* and *Sydney Bristow*. Gemma, the heroine, in this story reminded me of her. Gemma was so kick-ass, feisty, and strong. And Ky. Ky. Sigh. So dreamy and hot!

I loved the fast pace of the story. I loved the chemistry between Gemma and Ky. Each scene was so vividly described that reading felt like watching an incredible good action-themed tv show/movie.

I couldn't put this book down. So, so, so, so good.

If you like your romance books with action/suspense/FBI-related arcs like I do, I would definitely recommend this book.
