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From *New York Times* bestselling author Kay Hooper comes the story of a gambler who's not all he seems—and the woman who teaches him what it means to risk everything.

Jennifer Chantry's life was upended when her father lost their family plantation, Belle Retour, in a foolish bet. And now that he's passed away, Jennifer vows to reclaim what's hers. Falling for a gambler—especially given her father's weakness—wasn't supposed to be in the cards. But the dashing, dark-eyed hustler who rolls into town for a high-stakes poker game awakens Jennifer's deepest desires, even before he offers his services in a bold plan to win back her home.

Dane Prescott isn't a professional gambler—he's a federal agent investigating rumors surrounding the scoundrel who swindled an innocent family out of Belle Retour. Used to going deep undercover, Dane knows how to play with other people's money. But when he teams up with the blond beauty bent on revenge, he learns just how much he stands to lose if he can't do right by her. Now Dane will need all the tricks up his sleeve to win his biggest score yet: Jennifer's wounded heart.

Includes a special message from the editor, as well as an excerpt from another Loveswept title.

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From Reader Review It Takes a Thief for online ebook

Elgyn says

Vydat jako první desátý díl série, kdy je po pár stranách zjevné, že autorka počítá s tím, že znáte hrdiny z předechozích dílů, je hloupé.

The Book Junkie Reads . . . says

Dane is most certainly more than meets the eye. And his little nightingale can see more in him than he can afford to allow her to see. The game of this gambler/thief will require much more than trust. Honor.

Heather says

Dane Prescott was charming, gallant, a man of mystery and shadows whose smile could make a woman forget her name! Jennifer Chantry was terrified when he caught her with a pilfered diamond bracelet, stunned when he kissed her breathless, and delighted when he helped her escape with her prize! But when her dashing hero turned out to be a professional gambler, she had to resist him. Her father had lost Belle Retour, their beautiful old home, in a poker game-how could she risk loving another man who might cost her everything? Until now she'd never been tempted to stray from say byways...but the promises in Dane's eyes filled her with wild yearning for passion and danger. Dane knew the odds were against Jenny loving him, but he'd dare hell to risk heaven in his lady's arms. He'd never bet everything before, but the stakes were so high. Could he make her believe that a man of honor would never gamble with her heart?

I think I have read this before or something very similar because I knew what was coming before it happened. However, I didn't remember enough to be positive this was the story I read before. So I didn't enjoy it as much as I thought I would, but I did like it and there is only one more book in the series so I will be finishing it.

Amanda Siegrist says

I love Kay Hooper! She is one of my favorite authors ever, but this book lost the mark for me a little bit. I'm a fan of insta-love, but this one baffled me. They met, they loved each other, which I guess is insta-love, but I guess I didn't get the emotion behind it like I'm used to. I really wanted to feel the love between them, but I just had a hard understanding it, if that makes any sense. Regardless, I love Kay Hooper and I'll continue to read her stuff:)

Sandy says

This is a fun book. It reminded me of watching an old "caper" movie.

Chitra *CJ* says

"It Takes a Thief" is the story of Jennifer and Dane.
A heroine having distaste for gamblers due to her own past with her father..
A gambling undercover hero..
A bracelet robbery..
Some garter action..
Loads of hidden secrets..
A fabulously supportive mother..
Some deep rooted emotions..
A hero in love working hard to devote his life for the heroine..
Another kind hero in this series ruthlessly devoted and in love with the heroine- mixed with a mystery plot.
Liked it!
Safe
3/5

Sheila Melo says

Twisting Toward Conclusion of the Series

"You're a thief."
"Now, that's the pot calling the kettle black."

FINAL DECISION: A good contribution to the series, this book begins the final storyline of the series. Dane is the highlight of the book. He makes a great hero and his true identity and mission is twisty and surprising.

THE STORY: Jennifer Chantry is caught with a stolen bracelet in a place she shouldn't be by a man who pulls her immediately into a kiss. What she ends up realizing is that Dane Prescott used her to hide his own thievery. Dane is a professional gambler, sometimes thief and sometimes information broker. Jennifer doesn't want to be attracted to him (although she is) because her own father gambled away the family home. Dane doesn't need the complication of falling in love right now, but he is helpless before the sweet spitfire Jenny.

OPINION: I love this book. Each of the books in this series is a bit over the top. I do love the twist that is reveal in this series regarding what and who Dane actually is. Dane and Jenny have such a sweet relationship that I love seeing them together. They are not as dramatic as some of the previous couples in the series, but there is some drama regarding Dane's gambling. This is one of the books where the storyline is somewhat better than the romance, but the romance works here as well. Jenny is somewhat less developed than Dane as a character, but they have a nice connection that centers the book. This book is better as part of the series. I enjoy the overlapping storyline so much that the romance just adds to the book rather than being the central motivating factor of why I read it.

WORTH MENTIONING: This book begins the final storyline of the series.

CONNECTED BOOKS: IT TAKES A THIEF is the ninth book in the Hagen series. This book can be read as a standalone but is much better read as part of the series. It is closely connected with the following book ACES HIGH.

STAR RATING: I give this book 4.25 stars.

Hana says

Žádné velké drámo se na 196 stránkách ned?je, ale Panství Edenbrooke je mnohem horší... A jak to boduje. Takže za m? neurazí/ nenadchne. P?e?íst v p?ípad?, že fakt pot?ebujete vypnout mozek a v??it na pravou lásku. Více v mé recenzi na <http://www.channach.com/kay-hooper-to...>

Jennifer says

I really enjoy this author normally and I get the demands of this genre in the time period this was written but please give me more than an hour of some kind of interpersonal interaction real time before BOTH mc fail (not a typo) irrevocably in love. One star for the lol character twist that I saw coming but liked anyway. I'm here for a cheesy breezy rom but this was just not even a little believable :(
