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A brazen bargain!

Former military pilot Mia Brandt is on a four-day cruise that can only be described as bachelorette hell. Giggling girls, rhinestone-studded bikini bottoms (ugh), slushy margaritas...and Mia missing the cruise ship's departure at the last port. Now she's stranded on the same island as Tag Johnson?a Navy rescue swimmer who's all ripped abs and sexy hotness...and Mia's unforgettable one-nighter from four years ago!

Tag definitely remembers Mia. Remembers her touch, the searing heat of their chemistry...and how she pulled rank on him in bed. The sexual attraction between them is as fierce as it ever was. But when Tag blurts out that they're engaged?a tiny little lie?their naughty, no-strings secret arrangement is out! And now an even bigger secret has taken its place...

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From Reader Review Wicked Secrets for online ebook

Kathy says

Deep Dive - rescue, recreational dives, adventurous dives... on Discovery Island... started by 3 ex-water rescue Navy men...

Tag - a bit bored with the new business, and exasperated by his two partners who are now engaged - and he doesn't expect to ever marry - he signs up for another tour, when the CO calls (anti drug off Brazil coast), he's going in 6 weeks.

Mia - finished her last tour in Afghanistan and is adjusting to civilian life. A - daughter with 3 older brothers and father who served - so naturally she served also. and 2 months before finished, jeep hit IED, and two lost, and she was concussed - still having trouble with motion sickness - and flashbacks.

2 years earlier, they hooked up at a bar... had a great night, that both remembered...

on bridal cruise for her cousin, she's doing her best to fit - and is the one to take control and get everyone where they need to be... until zip line (with a spin) leaves her on the beach vomiting and then a quick nap that lasts longer, and the ship leaves without her... and rescue Tag rescues her...

and one night stretches to a week... and then she buys a house on the beach... and pretend to be engaged so that Tag can avoid the matchmakers on the island... and the pretend starts to feel real... and they live happily ever after...

Tammy says

****I received an ARC from the author for an honest review****

Mia Brandt, ex-military pilot who was injured on a mission, is now retired and trying to adapt to civilian life and figuring everything out one day at a time. She is part of her cousin's bridal party and they are on a island for a quick stopover when they encourage Mia to go hit on this hot guy that they spot working on a boat. Mia approaches him and when he speaks to her she knows the voice immediately. It's none other than Tag Johnson, a Navy rescue swimmer, who Mia once had a one night stand with years earlier. Tag is returning to duty in six weeks so they embark on what is supposed to be only six weeks of fun and that's it.

If you have read the other WICKED books and know how wonderful they are - then you definitely don't want to miss Wicked Secrets.

Also, make sure to read Before He Was Wicked: A Wicked Secrets Prequel which is now free on Amazon. This will show you how Mia and Tag's relationship starts out.

Christa says

This was a good contemporary romance by Anne Marsh. It had great characters in Mia and Tag, and the storyline kept my interest. The chemistry between the main characters was great, and the book was fun and entertaining.

Jodi Gallegos says

I received my copy of Wicked Secrets from a GoodReads giveaway

When I was little my grandmother used to read Harlequin books during what seemed like her every waking hour. She had an entire room filled with shelf after shelf of Harlequin romances. Every once in a while, I get a little nostalgic for the same thing my grandma used to read, so when I saw the the cover I impulsively clicked on the link to enter the giveaway (the picture of the shirtless man helped convince me!) .

Wicked Secrets is about a former military pilot, Mia, who is now living the civilian life as the result of an explosion during her last tour. While on a Bachelorette Party cruise with her cousin she finds herself face-to-face with Tag, a Navy rescue swimmer that she had one hot night with while both were still enlisted. Soon Mia is stranded on the island and has to rely on Tag and his hospitality.

In the small town resort it is hard to go unnoticed and Mia and Tag are soon rumored to be "engaged", a little lie that helps keep the island matchmakers away and gives Mia an excuse as to why she's staying with Tag. Mia and Tag quickly find that the attraction they shared that one night hasn't subsided, but they are both hiding secrets.

Wicked Secrets is from Harlequin's Blaze line of titles. If you aren't familiar with that let me just tell you, this book (and I assume the rest of the Harlequin Blaze titles) is HOT!!!! This is *not* my grandma's Harlequin! There really isn't much left to the imagination so if you're offended by graphic intimacy, be forewarned. I found this to be a good balance between the Harlequin romance story that I expected and the sexy, steamy stuff that used to just happen in my imagination. I especially appreciated the fact that Mia was a strong woman who was determining her own course in her life and went after what she wanted.

Jo-Ann Fitzgerald says

This is a continuation for the prequel but a few years later. That being said, some of the information in the prequel changed when it got to this book. Now that was interesting!

Taking this book as a stand alone, it was ok. The plot was good and original but it did lack the sizzle of the prequel.the hero and heroine were likable. I liked how spicy the heroine was and how much of a marshmallow the hero was with the animals. The bit with the ring was priceless and could understand why that mission happened.

I'd recommend this book and series. Of I had to pick on one thing it would have been the transparency between this book and the prequel.

Carol says

Discovery Island....a place for fun in the sun?? But Tag Johnson has made this his place to be as a Rescue Recovery swimmer with his friends who run a dive shop on the Island.

Tag has one more mission to complete before he fully can retired from the Navy. Tag is a strong character with a weakness for collecting stray animals that get rescued.

Mia Brandt is a retired military pilot who is slowly becoming adjusted to the civilian way of life. Only Mia has a problem with Post Traumatic Stress as the after-effects of an IED blast when she was serving . She has nightmares, flashbacks when she hears loud or sudden noises, fear of heights and overpowering headaches. Mia is on a cruise stop at the island with her cousin's bridal party.

Unexpectedly Tag and Mia cross paths. They both remember an one night stand that happened four years prior between them.

Then one of Mia's headaches causes her to miss re-boarding the cruise ship. She is stranded on Discovery Island in just a bikini and shirt. What will happen to her now?

The author weaves the past and present together effortlessly for the reader to be able to follow. The characters are real and well developed. I loved the chemistry the main characters shared.

Their shenanigans provided out loud laughter at times.

Enjoyable book you will want to read.

Thank you to the author for this eBook. My opinion is my own.

Jeannie says

Mia who was an ex Military Pilot is now retired and trying to get used to civilian life. As part of her cousin's bridal party, they went off on a cruise for some girlie fun. They did a stopover at Discovery Island. When the girls spotted a hot guy working on a boat, they dared Mia to invite him over for drinks. Not one to refuse a dare, Mia approaches the guy and hears his voice, she knew straightaway that he was Tag Johnson, a navy rescuer swimmer with whom she had a hot night with several years ago.

Tag Johnson has not forgotten about Mia especially not after the night they had. And as if they were given a second chance, Mia missed the boat which was to bring her back to the cruise ship and with nothing on her except her phone, she ended up taking Tag's offer to stay with him while she gets her stuffs sorted out.

Because of the nature of their jobs and after her last boyfriend, Mia swore that she isn't marriage or relationship material and so does Tag with his next mission in 6 weeks. However, both are still feeling the strong attraction and maybe they can be satisfied with whatever they can get from each other within these 6 weeks.

This is my first book by this author and I definitely did enjoy this book. It's not just about the romance between Mia and Tag but it's also about healing and working through the issues that each of them have. And

I love that no matter how tough one can be physically, there will still be moments of vulnerability and it's shown here as real as it can be. This book is actually part of a series but it can definitely be read as a standalone which I did and I will be checking the other books out.

I was gifted an advance copy of this book by the author in exchange for an honest review.

Paula says

Hot military personnel in a cool island setting makes *Wicked Secrets* one splendid read. Then Anne Marsh has put her unique spin on the characters and events that serve to make this *Uniformly Hot!* Book one of the best in the series.

Mia and Tag switched roles from the average romance in this book. Mia comes across as the tougher of these two lovers. Tag is plenty tough but there is a tender side that makes him so endearing. He rescues in his work and around the island, humans and animals alike. His friends point that out even as he has taken Mia home after she missed her cruise ship sailing. I also appreciate how the plight of female vets is brought to the foreground of this story. Mia has injuries that do not show easily but are still serious and life altering.

This is the third one, there are two more before this concerning Tag's friends, Cal and Daeg, also set on the island. While purchasing the first two, *Wicked Sexy* and *Wicked Nights*, low and behold the prequel to *Wicked Secrets* is out and free right now. Titled *Before He Was Wicked*, it is the account the first meeting between Tag and Mia five years earlier. Thank you Anne Marsh.

4.5 stars

Copy provided by Net Galley for an honest review.

JoAn says

Wicked Secrets by Anne Marsh is the final book in her Navy Rescue Swimmer Trilogy and it was a perfect ending to this series.

Mia Brandt is now a retired military pilot and slowly becoming accustomed to civilian life once again. She was smart, funny and independent. I enjoyed her attitude toward life and the cruise that she was on at the beginning of the book.

Tag Johnson was a typical Alpha male with such a sweet soft spot. He was definitely swoon worthy and smart. His new life on the island with his friends was exactly what he needed when he left the Navy.

This story moved along smoothly and the dialogue between Mia and Tag was comfortable and relatable. The one night stand that they had enjoyed four years ago still burns bright in their memories and the sparks fly immediately when they meet up again.

I enjoyed seeing the characters from the previous two books again. They really contributed to moving this story along and gave some insights into Tag.

This was definitely a hot, sexy and totally entertaining read.

I was given an ARC by the author in exchange for an honest review.

ButtonsMom2003 says

Oh my! This is my favorite of the “Wicked” books.

The blurb for the book is accurate. The chemistry between Mia and Tag is scorching hot. They both think they’re just having 6 weeks of fun and games because Tag has to return to duty. Mia had a bad experience with a romance that went bad while she was deployed so she isn’t interested in anything serious with Tag. As time goes on their pretend engagement starts to feel like something more – to both of them.

Tag is a sucker for strays and has a menagerie to prove it. Who couldn’t help but love a hot hero who loves animals? And Mia is a strong, capable heroine who’s suffering the after-effects of an IED blast while she was deployed.

There are plenty of hot, sexy times in this book. If you’ve read the other “Wicked” books by Anne Marsh you won’t want to miss this one. If you haven’t read them, not to worry, this book stands alone and you won’t feel like you’ve missed anything if you read this one first.

I received an ARC of this book from the author in exchange for an honest review.

Jessica says

See more of my reviews on my blog [Thoughts At One In The Morning](#).

My Thoughts:

It's no doubt when I pick up these lovely books, I'm almost always hooked from the beginning. Give me a fake engagement and, well, you know me, I'm gonna be going absolutely nuts. And this one was a really sweet book!

Mia and Tag have a teeny bit of a rocky start when they run into each other after all these years. When Tag finds Mia stranded on the beach, he brings her back to his place and they rekindle what they had that one night. One thing leads to another and soon there's a little fibbing about the two of them being engaged. Mia goes along with it to help Tag out, but he seems to feel like it could be something more.

Wicked Secrets was a wickedly sweet book. Both Mia and Tag are strong people, but they've been through a lot since they first met, including an incident that happened when Mia was deployed. I loved how Anne Marsh made these characters real--Mia with her PTSD and Tag with his soft spot for animals. I'm absolutely picking up more from this series!

My Rating: Very Good

Cheryl Sanders says

Mia Brandt, former military pilot, is on a cruise with her bride-to-be cousin and the other bridesmaids. They have a layover on Discovery Island. She runs into Tag Johnson, Navy rescue swimmer, who she had a one night stand with four years ago. Now she needs his help. While having issues related to zip lining and her PTSD, Mia misses the cruise ships departure. Sick and without clothes or money, Tag offers her a bed at his house. He's shipping out in six weeks for his last deployment and wants to spend that time with Mia while she figures out what she's going to do with the rest of her life. When the six weeks is over will either of them be able to deal with their individual issues and move on together or will they go their separate ways?

Another FABULOUS Uniformly Hot! book. I love how Anne Marsh wasn't afraid to write about a woman who returns from the war with her own issues of PTSD. I also love how Tag knew exactly what to do to help Mia and was so gentle with her without showing pity towards her. A sensitive subject that this author has dealt with brilliantly. I can't wait for more!

Received a copy in exchange for an honest review.

Angel Hatfield says

****I received an ARC of this story in exchange for an honest review****

Mia Brandt is a former military pilot who, because of PTSD, is now a civilian and is on a four-day bachelorette cruise with her cousin. While on a stopover on an island, in order to try to be "normal" she's encouraged to go hit on a hot guy the rest of the bridal party spots. Turns out the hot guy is Tag Johnson, a Navy rescue swimmer she once had a one night stand with years before. When Tag sees who's interrupting him, he humors her and joins them for a little while. When an unforeseen incident causes Mia miss the ship, she is forced to take Tag up on his offer to help her out. Neither Mia nor Tag are the type to form relationships, but when the explosive heat that had them hooking up the first time proves to still be there, they might just be slowly changing their minds.

I really loved this book. I don't read too many contemporary or military books but when I started this book, I found it hard to put it down. I felt that Mia was written in an accurate portrayal of a dominant woman and what she would have had to deal with in the military. I especially liked the scenes that showed she was still suffering from PTSD. Some authors will reference it as a plot point, but then it mysteriously seems to go away. Tag was absolutely lovable. He's one that just can't help rescuing those in need. His attachment to the 4 legged rescues is very sweet.

CL says

ARC received from: Netgalley

Rating: 3.5*

Cover: Yay

Trope: Reconciliation romance

Chemistry: Low boil

POV: 3rd Person

One-Sentence Summary: Military lovers reunite on Discovery Island.

Positives: I liked the set up and the fact that the characters had a history. The cute animals, especially the kittens were definitely a plus as well.

Negatives: It just didn't make sense to me that Mia would just stay on the island like that! What would be more believable for me is if she rejoined the cruise -> Came back for a holiday -> Then decided to buy a house and stay. Also, the relationship between Tag/Mia moved too fast for me, especially considering she had PTSD.

Belinda says

Mia is on a bachelorettes cruise with her cousin and the gang....They are on a island living out the day when they spot a hunk..well this hunk happens to be a guy that Mia slept with once..Tag...They talk and he has drinks with the girls..than she gets sick and the boat leaves without her.Tag rescues her and they are just as hot for each other as they were the one time they were together...She decides to stay on the island as she finds a house she likes and she has to have a job to get a loan so she works for Tag and his friends..Can they love each other even though he is about to head out on a mission? I liked how it was through Mia's eyes we say PTSD..as it is always through the guys eye...A good book
