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Jamie Tolland has only ever known his small Oregon town. Same job, same friends, same gay bar. He feels obligated to stay, especially as his mother's illness progresses. But when a situation presents itself in the form of a vintage sports car, he jumps on the chance to not only repair it, but also drive it to its new owner in LA.

Conner Murphy left Oregon years ago to make his life in West Hollywood. Like his unconventional parents, he's always been a free spirit, never settling on one job or girl for too long. When he inherits his late uncle's classic Chevelle, he's more than happy to let his childhood friend Jamie help.

Jamie and Conner are as different as night and day. Even after years of living apart, they still have a blast together—but now it's mixed with an undeniable spark of attraction. Before they know it, they can't keep their hands off each other. For Conner it's all new and exciting, but Jamie isn't the type of guy who takes this sort of intimacy lightly.

Conner soon realizes that Jamie quenches something deep inside of him that no one has before, but he doesn't know how to handle a real relationship. As Jamie's time in LA comes to an end, and the more they struggle to get on the same page about their feelings, the more Jamie realizes that trying to tie Conner down is as futile as capturing the sun.

## **Chase the Sun Details**

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## Meags says

### 3.5 Stars

This was another beautifully written new adult M/M romance by Dawn and Lee.

This series really nails those uncertain, scary and often overwhelming feelings you experience in your twenties – hell, at any time in your life, really – when you're trying to find your way in the world; that terrifying uncertainty of what you want to do with the rest of your life, and whether you're capable enough to achieve your utmost dreams. It's some heady stuff and I could definitely relate to both Jamie's and Connor's fears and desires.

I liked both of these characters and I enjoyed the easy and angst-free progression of their relationship from old friends, to renewed friends, to lovers.

It took me a little while to get into this story, but I truly enjoyed the second half and finished up with a satisfied smile on my face.

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## Dani says

*\*4.5 stars\**

I don't know what happened here, but I enjoyed this one more than the first book. Maybe because Connor is more lay-back and funnier than Gabe and Lucas together and Jamie is so damn sweet!

This book definitely goes down a few notch on the angst department, and it makes a big difference between book 1.

We see Connor in the first book as Lucas' work friend. We don't actually get to know him, we just see he's kind of pushy and what he proposes, he does it. For example, become Lucas' friend. But the idea I got from him in this second installment is so different that I even though he was a completely new character. It was like the authors didn't know what they wanted to do with him and they made up their mind at the last second. I thought he was focused and 'mature' by the image of 'wanting more than work in a bar', 'wanting to take some classes and be somebody someday'. Ehmm, nop. What I came across in this book was some free spirit guy who is sexually fluid and get bores and quite jobs everytime he feels like it. Like wow, it wasn't what I was expecting.

Putting that on a side, Connor ends up being a great character. If you ignore what I thought of him at first, he's so amazing! He's light and warm as Jamie describes him. And Jamie, god, he's the cutest thing ever. They were definitely made for each other.

Regarding the sexy bits, you won't feel disappointed. The steam was crazy good, what they say about the shy people is true, folks. Jamie was crazy hot in bed and there's the perfect amount of steamy scenes to help with their new found attraction without transforming the story into some back-to-back sex book.

I liked that *Chase the Sun* is a cute and a fluffy read where you don't need to worry about eye-roll inducing drama that usually appears in this type of reading. The plot's incredibly good and fast-paced, as it was in *Touch the Sky*. It is the perfect book for when you need some light in your life.

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## **.Lili. says**

**Ladies, ladies, ladies: you have hit a home run with Chase the Sun!** We have the best of both worlds here: friends to lovers AND opposites attract! Y'all must've had me in mind when you wrote this cause you know I love these type of stories. Lol ;) They did such a great job bringing together two different personalities. They were each other's missing piece.

### **My highlights:**

-Opposites attract. As I mentioned above, they did an excellent job fitting together Conner who is outgoing and Jamie who is almost introverted. They also came from different backgrounds that taught to look the world differently.

-The characters. Both the protagonists and the supporting characters. I love series where each book is a different couple. It's always fun to catch up with old characters and see they're happy.

-Narration. It's told from an alternating, dual POV.

-Angst. There's angst, but there's also this also an underlining feel good, sweet vibe to the story.

-The slow burn. It was delicious, and once they got together, it was swoon-worthy.

-The end. It was everything I hoped for and more. Plus, I'm even more eager now for Ezra's book. I. NEED. IT.

**What else can I say other than I loved this emotional story about these two complex characters? It's a touching story of love, family, loyalty, and believing in one's self. I loved the first one, but I loved this one even more. 5 Stars!**

*ARC kindly provided by the authors to Gay Book Reviews for an honest review.*

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## **Chris says**

So beautiful - Jamie and Conner had such perfect chemistry. This story was fun, romantic and made me smile. The journey of two young guys both carrying their own insecurities and vulnerabilities who decided to eventually throw caution to the wind and chase the sun ♥? I really enjoyed this - stress free, heart warming story

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**Shile says**

**5 stars for the audiobook**

**3.75 for the story**

Tyler Stevens and Iggy Toma's narration kept me entertained, i was not able to finish book 1, the narration was so bad and could not bring myself to read the book, maybe i will someday. So glad they changed the narrators.

As for the story, it was sweet, cute and angst free, just a simple story about two friends falling in love. The smexy times were good, but i still felt there was something missing.

The Mc's were likable, I adored Jamie he was such a sweetheart and Conner's carefree and easygoing attitude was amazing.

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~☆~Dαni(ela) ♥ ?? love & semi-colons~☆~ says

***Chase the Sun* is exactly what I was in the mood for: low angst, friends to lovers, humor, family, sexy times, and a really cool car.**

Jamie is stuck living the small-town life and helping his dad take care of his mom who has multiple sclerosis. Conner, raised by hippy parents in an open relationship, jumps from job to job, relationship to relationship.

I loved that Conner wasn't hung up on defining his sexuality. He considered himself fluid and was more than happy to explore Jamie's body. There was no shame involved in him being bi.

Jamie is open and caring; he brings out the best in Conner. Conner worries he won't be able to stick to a monogamous relationship and doesn't want to make promises he can't keep. He's used to masking his feelings by being the outgoing, funny guy. But Jamie sees the real Conner and likes what he sees.

**The MCs were clearly perfect for each other, and the relationship angst was minimal. There was no crazy miscommunication, no drama, just a low-key, mellow romance with a true HEA.**

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**Nyrae Dawn says**

Loved, loved, loved writing Conner and Jamie's book!

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## Elsa Bravante says

Me ha gustado, es dulce y entretenido. Pero, la historia y la narración a veces es demasiado simple, y me refiero a simple, no sencilla, y repetitiva. Los personajes son adorables, y deseas que todo les vaya bien, pero la historia, igual que pasa con el anterior libro, está llena de casualidades que les permiten tener un futuro o que les facilitan todo: un amigo que conoce a alguien para darles un trabajo, un amigo que bla bla, otro más... Ojalá siempre las cosas vinieran así de fácil. Dulce, pero me habría gustado un poco más de realidad.

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## Ele says

### \*3.5 stars\*

I had a rough start with this book, but the second half made up for it.

Conner's narration felt kinda weird at the beginning and the way he described his sexuality was...didactic, I think that's the right word for it. And, honestly, just the fact that I felt it was an actual description shows that it wasn't smooth at all. You don't have to "convince" or educate your readers about these things. Conner was sexually fluid, period. Lets leave his actions speak for themselves.

The first half was a bit slow too, and I started getting bored but it **really** picked up later on. There are plenty of sexy times, and there's real chemistry between the MCs.

Jaimie was absolutely adorbs, and when Conner's walls came down, I relly liked what I saw behind the constant joking and happy go lucky attitude.

The families were important to the plot, but didn't take over the plot or overshadowed the couple at all.

Overall, it was a nice story. I'd like to read the next book in the series. Ezra maybe?

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## R \* A Reader Obsessed \* says

### 3.5 Stars

A feel good, no muss love story.

Conner and Jamie were once friends as teens, and while Conner took his opportunity to leave his small town life in Oregon, Jamie is still stuck there, mostly out of circumstance and habit. Jamie doesn't hesitate to bring Conner his inheritance, eager to experience something new.

These two quickly fall back into their easy friendship. Jamie is ready to indulge in all that L.A. has to offer, and he dives right in. Conner finds Jamie laid back, endearing, and not to mention cute. This tests Conner's "anything goes" attitude, as his attraction to Jamie pushes the boundaries that define his sexuality. Conner's zest for trying new things sets both he and Jamie on fire.

Understandably, Jamie doesn't want to push Conner too hard, as he experiences his first foray into same sex shenanigans. He doesn't want to get too attached because surely it's just a fleeting thing, right? And Conner, never having had a stable home life, definitely doesn't want the pressure of commitment since he doesn't want to disappoint anyone.

This was of course sweet and smexy (though I do think the authors dropped the ball on the potential for fully fleshing out first time explorations). Not as heavy as the first book, I'm still always grateful for minimal relationship angst. Conner and Jamie only need to think hard about what they want and to go after it despite the risks. Their reward? Turning their strong attraction into something meaningful and long lasting.

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## haletostilinski says

### 3.5 stars rounded up!

This one wasn't quite as strong as the other books I've read in this series. Now I liked Conner and Jamie, both as individual characters and as a couple.

But that's just it. I liked them, but I didn't love them. They didn't wow me. The chemistry was fine, but it wasn't amazing. It didn't pull me in, they didn't pull me in. I liked them and I liked their scenes, but I didn't *love* them.

I enjoyed Conner from the first book so I was excited to read his story. Unfortunately his story didn't excite me too much. It was all very....okay. Likable, for sure, but not like amazing. I rounded up because it was good, it was well written and I *did* enjoy these two together.

But I had to go with 3.5 stars because of me liking them, but not loving them. There wasn't *enough* there between them and the story for me to love it. It was slow at times as well and not much happened.

Jamie is there in LA for a few weeks, he and Connor fall for each other, then he goes back, they determine they want to be together, and Connor goes back to their small town to fight for Jamie - which is sweet, but he doesn't have to fight all that much.

Like the only real conflict was just making the choice to be together. It was obvious Jamie wouldn't stay in his hometown and it was obvious Connor was going to choose to be with Jamie and get over his few hang ups. It wasn't very surprising or exciting.

I did appreciate the lack of drama, though. They didn't manufacture drama for drama's sake, which is a nice reprieve in romance books. Still think real conflict can happen without it being manufactured. And it didn't have to be dramatic either, just hurdles they had to work through. Why present potential problems if they're not really gonna be problems in the end?

So overall I liked this, I enjoyed it at times, and it was a sweet, enjoyable story. But there just wasn't enough for me to love it, there was something missing, and the chemistry wasn't as good as it could have been. The sex scenes also left a lot to be desired. They weren't as steamy as they could have been. So I liked this....I just didn't love it.

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## Christelle says

A feel good and mellowing “friends to lovers” romance, between Conner and Jamie, one at ease and carefree, one shy and so adorable, both trying to figure out what their future can be. Their reconnection leads to awareness, not only about themselves but also about a committed relationship.

To be honest, the beginning felt a bit shallow but then, like a warm sunlight, the story charmed me with the down to earth vulnerabilities and rightful questions from both MCs.

A simple story (and simple is always a compliment from me) that left me with warm butterflies and a smile.

PS : *Thank you, Smutty Elf* , for this adorable gift

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## ◆\*Arianna◆\* says

**4 Stars!!**

'*Chase the Sun*' is the second installment in Christina Lee & Nyrae Dawn's newest m/m series and like the first installment, it was wonderfully written and so very sweet. These two authors know for sure how to deliver an engrossing, wonderful m/m romance and I'm so looking forward for the next installment/s in the series. While this one was not as emotional as the first book, it was well paced, the sweetness and sexiness fantastically blend and overall a really great friends to lovers story.

*“He’s like fuel for my soul and he doesn’t even realize he’s got all of that inside him.”*

Jamie and Conner grew up in the same small town in Oregon. They have never been the best of friends, but they had always like each other, both of them cherishing the sweet, fun moments they shared together when they were younger. Jamie never thought to leave the small town he grew up. Firstly, because he works at his father garage helping him with the business and secondly because of his mother's illness. He likes his life enough. He's not bored, but he can't deny he would be happier with a little more excitement in his life. Conner left Oregon as soon as he finished high-school. He moved to West Hollywood wanting to escape the small town as soon as possible. He's content with his life and like his parents he's a free spirit wanting to enjoy his life to the fullest, to have fun and not settle on one job or a girl for too long. When Conner's uncle passes away and leaves him a classic car, the two boys start to communicate with each other again via email. Jamie offers to fix up the car, eventually deciding to drive it to Conner in California since he needs a change of scenery. He decides to spend a few days with Conner since he wants to experience something else other than the simple life he always had lived in Oregon.

Conner and Jamie becomes friends from the very beginning, but slowly with every day that passes their friendship blossoms into something more, something that neither of them expected. But how their relationship can have a future since they live in different States and they have different ideas in relationships.



*“Conner feels as vast and bright as the sun and I want to somehow absorb all of that heat and light so that it fills my dark and vulnerable places. All my lonely thoughts. He’s like fuel for my soul and he doesn’t even realize he’s got all of that inside him.”*

This was such a sweet friends to lovers story! While the pace of the story was a little slow at times, I really enjoyed this one and I wasn’t bothered this fact at all. I liked the story-line and also the fact that there wasn’t any crazy angst and drama as the story progressed. Both main characters were fantastically developed and as much as I enjoyed their easy friendship, I have to say that I loved their romantic relation ship. I rooted for them from the very beginning. I liked the fact that the two boys were so different from each other. While Jamie was more shy, Conner was open in every way. To be honest I liked these two equally. Both of them were endearing in some way or another. I liked how Jamie accepted so easily the fact that Conner is so fluid when it comes to his sexuality. He was so sweet, caring and thoughtful as the story unfolded. Conner was funny and animated and so endearingly charming at times. I simply loved his personality. As for the connection between them, I truly felt it and it was wonderfully done.

*“Everything makes a whole lot more sense when I’m kissing Jamie Tolland.”*

I enjoyed the slow build between these two characters. They will give you all the feels. They were so sweet and so perfect for each other in every way. I lost count of the times they made me smile and swoon. I also loved the way, together, they discovered who they are individually, what they want and how great they can be together.

Overall, a sweet, heart-warming read! I’m really looking forward to these two authors’ third collaboration!

**Find me on:**

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**\*J\* Too Many Books Too Little Time says**

**DNF @ 37%**

My last 3 books have not been good for me. And the only recurring theme I can see is that they are all NA. I think I'm just over the New Adult genre.

Once again I found myself not at all interested in a book. I had no desire to pick it up and read it.

Not much was happening. It just wasn't progressing enough to hold my attention.

Some other reviews said it does pick up. And where I stopped nothing had really happened between Jamie and Conner....so maybe it does.

I just couldn't bring myself to get there.

I don't think it helps that I seem to be in a major book slump.

So onward I go.....

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### **Christina says**

Conner and Jamie were so much fun to write! They made Nyrae/Riley and me laugh and swoon.

You'll see plenty of Lucas and Gabriel too (from Touch the Sky). <3

A teaser:

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