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Publisher's Note: This steamy romance includes elements of power exchange and a menage scene. If such material is not to your liking, please do not read.

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Goldienut says

I found this novel so unique that it takes place on an island bdsm resort. The hotel is top notch in every way. The amusement park had something for everybody . i found that this novel was hard to put down. I thought it was great when the owner Simeon hired Faye and her husband. A young woman Hazel was starting a relationship with Rain his godson even though her boss didn't want them to be involved. I look forward to reading the next edition.

I received a free copy of this book from the publisher in exchange for an honest review

ajjmb says

This book reminded me a lot of the Castle Series. I was totally caught up in the idea of a resort that is set up like an amusement park for those who wish to explore their desires in a safe, consensual manner. The characters were well rounded. I was only disappointed that the story ended so quickly and I can't wait to read installment number two. Tabitha Black has done a great job in setting the stage and the characters for sequel. I could see the next story taking many paths as she explores the lives of the characters she introduced in this story. Such as George and Faye as they start their new jobs on the island and Hazel and Dain, as they continue their illicit affair.

Cindy says

Faye's thought as she see the island for the first time, "Sir Simeon Harvey took a private Island and made it look more like a twenty-first century incarnation of Alcatraz then a private luxury retreat. She find out how right she is along the way. Sir Simeon's life long dream finally comes to a fruition, an amusement park or playground for BDSM kinksters on a private island off the coast of Australia and husband and wife George and Faye, dear friends of Simeon's are invited to attend the open of the retreat. Faye and George have been having problems in their marriage and between Simeon and George they are going to come to the bottom the problem starting with Faye's bottom.

Hazel Jenkins is hired as head receptionist without any scene experience but ends up filling in as Simeon's PA until another permanent PA is hired. Hazel's first experience into BDSM comes when Simeon asks her to witness Faye getting a spanking for her birthday.

Simeon ends up hiring his godson, Dain as his new PA and the fireworks start between Dain and Hazel. I can't wait to read the second book in this series to see what happens next on the island. I got so into the story that I wished that I could actually go to the island. Great book that I couldn't put down. Tabitha Black hit a home run with this book.

Note: Received a copy from publisher for my honest review.

Katy Beth Mckee says

First off let me say that it took me an extra day to read this story because it was just too hot to handle in the little time I have for reading before leaving for work in the morning. This book is best savored in the evening after you are comfy.

This story is the first in a new series and is often the case there is a certain amount of time building the world for the reading yet it is still an intriguing story as we get to meet what will undoubtedly end up making up the core of the characters in this story.

We have Simeon of course who is the "ring-master" of this drama. He is single and is living his retirement dream of being the host to his own kinky fantasy island.

There is George and Faye who are an established D-s couple but as of late have been having a rocky go of it. We get to know them and see that their struggle is real but not without hope.

There are a variety of investors who we are given sneak peaks at that are enough to make you desire to hear more of their story. There are also lots of areas on the island that we are only given quick little tour stop at that can get the brain thinking about all the fun that might be in any one of these many areas.

Finally we are introduced to Hazel an completely inexperience young lady who came for a job and a bit of curiosity. And Dian the godson and PA of Simeon. He has experience but perhaps at bit more in his past as well.

I can't wait to see the next installment in this series and this was such a wonderful start.

RC says

I was given an ARC copy by the publisher for an honest review. I really wish this were NON Fiction! I would love to go to this resort! This is a great book one of a series. Sometimes the first book in a series has too much context and not enough intrigue and action. This story is engaging, characters are real, relationships feel real and the sex is steamy. I enjoyed that my boundaries got pushed a bit as the setting of the bdsm scenes was presented as safe, sane, consensual. I will be purchasing the next book in the series!

Rhonda says

Welcome to the private BDSM Island of Nox Oasis! This book just floored me with how well it was written. The characters are very well developed and the story is just awesome. Imagine a place where any kinky desire can be fulfilled and you'll understand what Nox Oasis is. Simeon Harvey is the owner and for the opening, he brings in George and his wife Faye. They are old friends and it seems George has been having some trouble with Faye. She isn't the submissive she used to be and together George and Simeon are going to do their best to correct that. Off to the side, we have a little story going that involves Hazel and Dain. I can already tell I'm going to really like this couple. Hazel is new to BDSM and hasn't seen much and Dain wants to show it all to her. Simeon doesn't like this and tells Dain to leave Hazel alone but will he listen to him? I can't wait for book 2 because I want to see more of all of these characters.

Kathy Heare Watts says

R.A.C.K.? RISK AWARE, CONSENSUAL KINK.

What a fantastic start to a new book series. When one man, Sir Simeon, decided to create an adult playground for those who wanted an exclusive and vetted outlet for whatever kink they desired, he created Nox Oasis. Now it is opening, they are bringing in those who are investors and a few very good friends to entice to come and be part of the staff. The story is well told, attention to detail as the various locations are described, and with a great cast of characters.

The plot of this story is a journey for like minded people to live freely and explore in this exclusive BDSM retreat on a private island off the coast of Australia. Sir Simeon is the grand master of his fantasy kingdom, bringing a married couple, George, and Faye, having play time with them and also offering them both positions. The square peg in this maze is Hazel Jenkins, head of reception, who is rather vanilla, never having explored beyond reading and observing. Bring in Simeon's godson, Dain Wilcott, and offering him the position as PA, but telling him Hazel is completely off-limits. For Faye and George, she can reconnect with her Master, reconnect with her inner submissive, and her inner masochist. The story mainly focuses on Simeon, Faye and George, and the new budding relationship with Hazel and Dain. The scenes are explicit and include a ménage à trios, various spankings, breath-play, and different proclivities. I look forward to the next book in this series.

Becca says

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

Every once and awhile it is such fun to imagine a place where your fantasies can be completely indulged, without judgement or negative consequences. Add to that luxurious surroundings, a private island, beautiful people, and you have Nox Oasis. It isn't a new concept for contemporary erotic fiction, but Restraint by Tabitha Black is creative, well written, and loads of fun to read if you're in the mood for fantasy and don't mind a few eye rolls.

My one complaint is rather minor I suppose, but I had trouble understanding Faye's attitude at the beginning of the story. She went from anger to eager excitement and back again so quickly I was sure there must be something missing. It's difficult for me to picture her being a very good therapist based on what I've read so far.

Despite that quibble, I enjoyed the various characters, particularly Hazel who I can easily empathize with, and I enjoyed the well described location. This is the first book in the series, but ends on a pretty satisfying happy for now. I look forward to finding out what happens when Sir Simeon..... well, it should be quite the explosion.

Susan Anderson says

The gift of a talented author is the ability to transport the reader from their armchair, sofa, bedroom or wherever they are to the time and place the book is happening. A truly gifted writer will so spellbound her audience they will not notice they have moved, that time has changed and things are happening around them that seem very real and lifelike. I believe Ms. Tabitha Black is one such gifted writer. The book Restraint involves a handful of characters that she expertly juggles around her stage. Never losing track or skipping a beat the flow continues throughout the whole story. It is an awesome story of an adult BDSM playground / amusement park that I so wish I could go to myself! It is an outstanding work of literary genius. I highly recommend this book to anyone who loves reading about the D/s lifestyle, power play, and lots of hot scenes of sexy spanking and hotter sex! Get comfortable and have a cooling glass of water close to hand! lol Thank you very much Ms. Black more of the same please!

Laurel says

This was a fantastic book. A Dom builds an exclusive BDSM island off the coast of Australia and has people clamoring to join? It has something for everyone and the first two are good friends who have been scrabbling with each other. The Dom strengthens them out and makes them an offer that sounds almost too goo to be too, but they except. The new head receptionist is a sweet, naive young lady who has feelings for the Dom godson, who was hired to be a personal assistance. Then the guests arrive and the fun begins. No spoilers! Everything fall into place and there are many outstanding stories which are truly unique. You will have to read the book to find the answers to these questions. This is a heart thumping page turning book which kept me engaged. I will be on pins and needles until book two. This book was given to me by the publisher for an honest review and the thoughts and opinions are mine.

Boujie says

What happens on the island, stays on the island!

I cannot wait for Book Two! The author did an amazing job giving readers a view of BDSM from experienced kinksters to the curious novice.

Sir Simeon develops a private BDSM island paradise. He invites George and Faye a couple struggling with every day issues to take on the roles of Manager and therapist. His Godson Dain steps in as his PA. Hazel is a sweet, inexperienced but curious receptionist who starts falling for Dain. The only rule Sir Simeon has laid down for Hazel and Dain is that they are not to be together.

There is a fair amount of kink but presented in a way that leaves you wanting more. The author details a wide variety of fetishes from leash and collar training, "littles", spanking and a nice balance of D/s. The setting is erotic, the descriptions of the play rooms leave me wanting more and I would love a few days on the island!

(Book received from the Publisher in exchange for an honest review.)

Pico1 says

This is a well written, interesting story set in a new, very fancy BDSM resort. There are several key people who interact with each other. George and Faye, a married couple who have been having problems, but find new love for each other and a renewed relationship at the resort. Sir Simeon, the founder and an experienced dominant – and Dain, his godson and assistant – also a dom, who falls in lust with Hazel, the receptionist – a girl who has had no experience with spanking or the other activities that take place at the resort, but gradually realizes she wants it. The story has a number of well written BDSM scenes and although it is the first part of a series, it closes enough loops so that it isn't a cliff hanger.

Pippa says

Well done, Tabitha! The characters are well described; interesting; My favorite is Hazel; shy, demure, inexperienced, but who begins to follow her instincts, despite the orders her employer has given his godson, Dain, to stay away from her. I love Faye, who is mischievous, kind-hearted, and has a true desire to be submissive once again. I adore how the relationship with her husband, George, begins to be renewed, with the help of Sir Simeon, after several months in which 'life got in the way'. I also do like the way that each of the characters' viewpoints are expressed, at different times. Sir Simeon grew on me, turning out to be a kind-hearted and sweet man, in the end, who looks out carefully for his employees. Can be read as standalone, but I did find myself with a question or two at the end; I'm hoping they will be answered in the next book. I'm looking forward to the rest of the books in the series. I received this for an ARC review, and the review here is indeed my own.

MayCat says

What do innocent and experienced submissive women have in common? Sir Simeon and Nox Oasis - the BDSM resort!

There are several characters with their own story lines in this first book of the His Empire series. Each encounter sizzles on the page (or e-reader screen) as Sir Simeon helps the long term D/s couple work to rekindle the spark and slowly shows the curious newbie her fantasies can become real. Add his godson the Dom, kinky investors, and naughty employees, and the scenes can melt the book in your hands! Fair warning - this is book 1 and not standalone, though thoroughly hot anyway. Can't wait for the next book!

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Coco.V says

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