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Previously available as Wedding Survivor (Thrillseekers Anonymous series).

When a wedding planner's first gig teams her up with a sexy stuntman, will she crash and burn...or be airlifted to love?

Tall, lithe ex-stuntman Eli McCain may speak with a Texas drawl, but this modern-day cowboy prefers hurricane windsurfing to herding cattle. Along with three friends, he cofounded Thrillseekers Anonymous, an extreme sports club that caters to the ultrarich and superfamous. But when the club agrees to stage a huge—and hugely profitable—extreme sports-themed celebrity wedding, Eli gets furious; he's still bitter about getting jilted at the altar and wants nothing to do with veils or vows.

Copper-haired chatterbox Marnie Banks dove headfirst into wedding planning after she was laid off from a dot-com start-up. The union of megawatt stars Olivia Dagwood and Vincent Vittorio may be her first solo wedding job, but it could make all her dreams come true: She'll make Hollywood connections. She'll finally move out of her parents' house. And she'll meet a decent guy, for once.

But when the wedding turns from extreme to extremely disastrous, Eli and Marnie must work together against the elements, their bickering clients, and their own smoldering attraction to save the day. Will the sparks flying between them ignite into something real and passionate...or will they both end up burned?

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Sara says

I did not enjoy this book. The heroine, Marnie Banks, is immature, childish and I found her really annoying. As quoted "She hated it when people... talked to her as if she were a turnip." Well I can say one thing, she definitely was one.

After being hired by Thrillseekers Anonymous, to assist planning a wedding, she finds herself helping plan the wedding for a famous actor and actress. Using another quote to directed at Marnie "...why don't you just do the job we hired you to do and stop playing Hollywood Barbie?" this is directed at her, as she seems to have no clue about an arch that the bridezilla wants in her wedding, which happens to be a giant.

More whining to add to this, when she finds herself in a relationship with the hero, Eli McCain, she acts like a complete fool, and Eli wanting to keep things professional and once again using another quote: "can we just keep the conversation to the job at hand?" and "It's just that I think we ought to keep our personal lives separate from this gig..."

After finally getting the picture of keeping things professional, she acts like a brat insisting that "(she's) fine". But clearly she's not.

Possibly the reason Marnie is the way she is, is because of her nosy mother, who is a complete gossip, telling her friends about Marnie's job, which is meant to be confidential. But then again, why did Marnie even tell her mother in the first place???

More to add to this complaint, is the (view spoiler) where Marnie finds herself along with TA camping out doors where she expects a chef to cook for them, which is immediately shut down. On top of this she is expecting things you get in a hotel such as showers and a proper bed. I wanted to scream out at the fictitious character IT'S CALL CAMPING!! But then again, what would she know. She doesn't even know how to put up a tent. During this time, she acts completely childish when she is fed a lie about Eli's apparent checking out a cocktail waitress.

When Marnie does learn the truth about the non-apparent relationship between Eli and the cocktail waitress, she once again acts all childish.

When (view spoiler) the wedding party finds themselves stranded after a storm, the story turns into survivor, and Marnie being Marnie, things she can side with bridezilla, only to be warned "... is the kind of girl who will cut you the first moment you aren't useful to her." only for Marnie being Marnie, saying she trusts her. Only to have everything thrown into her face when she learns the truth, and once again, she acts whiny and childish all about it.

To be honest I found bridezilla more likable then Marnie.

Celeste says

This book was fantastic. I was literally laughing out loud throughout the entire book. Marnie and Eli were

awesome together. The ending was really sweet too. I didn't want the book to end!

Nefise says

It was an easy and light read. It's not very good but not bad either that I couldn't keep reading.

Cyndee says

I really like Julia London's books. This one left me a little disappointed.

Good: This is a story that most contemporary romance readers would enjoy. The characters are firm in your mind and well written that way.

Bad: First I think it might have been the narration as I read it in Audible format. The narrator made Eli sound like a moron instead of a millionaire hunk. Having family in Texas why do people do that to "cowboys"?? Beside Eli sounding like a moron, Marnie was the the all time irritating cheerleader that has been dropped from a pyramid one to many times. -- again not sure if it was the narrator or what.

Now with that being said I plan on reading the rest of the books in the series and hope that it will improve! As I said I have always enjoyed Julia London's books.

Sonnie Jo says

I won this book on Goodread Giveaways!! I loved it. It was a slow start but once I got into I didnt want to put it down. I just looked up the read the rest of the series but it looks like its not available on my nook. All in all a very good read. Would highly recommend!!!!

Darkand says

While this prolific author has written quite a number of books, this book will have been my first by her. From what I can tell, it looks like Ms. London writes primarily historical romance which explains why I haven't read her before. (Not my cuppa tea.) However, this book, the first of the "Over The Edge" books (which were previously published in 2005 & also in 2011 as the "Thrillseeker's Anonymous" series) is a contemporary romance and is definitely up my alley. I enjoyed the story and both of the lead characters. I found the secondary characters to be entertaining, if a bit whiny & demanding which was certainly to be expected of them. The story moved at a good pace and I found that I really wanted to know what would happen next between Marnie and Eli. I will admit that I found Marnie to be a smidge immature at times and the description of her "maple pancake eyes" was a bit repetitive but her positive sunny disposition won me over in the long run. I'm glad that I dipped my toes into the water with Julia London and I will be happy to read the next installment when the reprint of it comes out.

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Cinthia says

I absolutely loved this story. Eli is one of my favorite characters all tough and a thrill seeker. Marnie was not one of my favorites maybe because she talks sooo much but even so the story they started in was great. I did not like Olivia. So high maintenance. So Marnie is a wedding planner. Eli hires her since the people getting married want an extreme wedding and that's what Eli specializes in, extreme adventures. The couple getting married, Olivia and Vince, superstars. At first Marnie is excited this could be her big brake to make it in the wedding planning industry but she did not expect to fall for her boss or to end up hating Olivia the star she once adored. I loved the ending, Eli the hardheaded male he is can't bring himself to admit he has also fallen for Marnie so when he finally realizes so he does everything possible to convince Marnie of his love for her. I loved the ending and the things Eli did to make Marnie realize he loves her too.

Jane Stewart says

Didn't like it. The author gave me no reason to admire or like Marnie.

She kept doing things that made me dislike her. I didn't like her mother or the bookclub ladies. The major romantic dilemma was that Eli was afraid of commitment. I never laughed or was surprised.

Tara says

Oh Eli! Swoon!! Why must all men be royal screw ups after being hurt by dumb b***hes?! I'm so glad that Eli was able to finally figure it out and convince Marnie they both deserve their happily every after!

D.B. Reynolds says

This one took me by surprise. A fun and engaging adventure with lots of heart.

Cathy Pardue says**Great read**

I recommend this book. I enjoyed the characters and the premise of the plot. Didn't quite make 5 stars for me for a couple reasons. Overall great read and great writing. Marnie drove me crazy until about half way through. Naive in some spots and kinda milk toast, yet with Eli, she pushed herself into bed and was pissed he didn't immediately return feelings. I totally understood Eli's situation. I loved them as a couple and had complimentary personalities. My 2nd issue was how can extreme stunt men not get millionaires with unlimited money off a dale on a mountain sooner than 3-4 days? That being said, I really enjoyed the antics of everyone on both sides of the bridge.

Those are my hangups and shouldn't detract for a lot of people. It was a sweet steady build to a great relationship. Great writing, great characters.

Angie says

All I Need Is You is the first book that I have read by Julia London. The great thing about this book is the writing. I love the humor and the witty banter. I also love the way the characters are mature characters. There are no silly misunderstandings, love triangles, or petty fighting. Eli is a sexy Texan who is addicted to extreme sports. I really like how Eli was not your typical alpha male. He has had his heart broke and he is still hurting. Marnie is a confident woman who is starting a new career after her job in the dotcom industry has crashed. She comes across as a little naïve, but I think it is because she sees the best in people. Eli and Marnie meet and it's the beginning of a great friendship and an even greater romance. I really enjoyed reading about a hero that isn't afraid to be friends with a woman and doesn't really lie to himself about any of his feelings. He's scared to fall in love, but he doesn't run away from his feelings. He doesn't really embrace those feelings either;). Another great aspect of this book is that there is no "insta love" with these two, you get to experience them falling in love. Great book, great writing and I will definitely read more from Julia London! I received this book as a first reads winner on Goodreads.

Katherine ??? says

Ketika Marnie mendapatkan pekerjaan sbg wedding planner bintang Hollywood berkelas dari Thrillseekers Anonymous, bukan kepalang senangnya Marnie. Apalagi plus bonus ditemani si ganteng Eli McCain. Perlahan tapi pasti, Marnie mulai frustrasi terutama kepada si Ratu Drama Agung, Olivia Dagwood, sang calon mempelai wanita. Sayangnya, harapan yg tersisa pun pupus sudah saat mereka berlima terjebak di gunung Colorado tsb.

Ini novel contemporary romance pertama yg baca dari author dan saya tidak kecewa. Alur dan plot twist nya menarik dan kocak sehingga jauh dari kata membosankan. Dan yg paling lucu ketika mereka semua terdampar di gunung keparat tsb dan Eli mengadakan kontes utk memenangkan air mandi dan kabin. Hadiah sederhana tsb menjadi hadiah sangat mewah ketika mereka tidak bisa berkutik sama sekali. Mirip dgn acara Survivor walau dgn versi agak konyol, di sana membuktikan Eli adalah hero terbaik utk Marnie yg pantang menyerah.

Sayangnya, karakter Eli yg mau-mau tapi ogah komitmen ini bikin kita pengen cekek lehernya. Bagusnya Marnie bisa meng-"handle" bocah tua ini dgn cukup baik. Jadi saya sudah tidak sabar utk mengetahui bujangan selanjutnya yg jatuh cinta dari seri ini.

Vikki Vaught says

My Musings

Cute book! Loved Marnie and Eli. What a hoot. Found my self laughing out loud. Listened to the audio and I really enjoyed it. Can't wait to read the next one in this series. Happy ?reading ?!

Desi says

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