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Battle Buddy

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The army suits Tucker; he does well from the beginning. Then, during boot camp, he's assigned a "battle buddy," Owen Bradford. Owen is a walking, talking wet dream with no concept of personal space. Tucker only survives the constant temptation by venting to his diary.

Two years later, Tucker—now in the Army Ranger program—is paired up with Owen once again. Getting through training while ignoring the sexual tension between him and his battle buddy might be the biggest test of Tucker's military career.

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You may have read Tuck's diary entries, but they don't tell the whole story. Tuck will argue the point, but he definitely got a few details wrong—not that I blame him. He was, if you remember, a little sexually frustrated at the time. He probably wasn't thinking straight. I'll never get tired of teasing him about that. Anyway, here's what really happened.

Rangers lead the way! – Owen

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Mercedes says

Only three stars because the story of these guys is barely advanced from where it was left off on in its previous version. It's disappointing as this is more than twice as long.

Tina says

I read the re-released combined version of Battle Buddy and Tucker & Cover.

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LOL Reading it was so much fun. During Part One, Battle Buddy, we follow Tucker and Owen's story from the Point of view of Tucker. In Part Two, Tuck & Cover, the story switches POV to Owen.

I definitely want to read more! I love these two men. :)

Macky says

A combination of Battle Buddy, Tucks version of events and Tuck & Cover, Owens POV, watching them face off against each other in both parts was fun, sexy and also really endearing. I love will they/won't they scenario's, especially when the sexual tension is ratcheted up a notch and you just know that one of them is going to have to give. Poor Tuck is trying so hard to hide his sexual preference and Owen is such a force of nature you know its going to be spectacular between the sheets when the tension reaches fever pitch and these two finally give in to it. But its not just all sex, there's feelings becoming involved and at the end there's definitely a hook into the next part of their story... I'm really looking forward to seeing more of these two guys. Great stuff.

Vanna says

4 stars! ? Light, funny and hot books about two rangers who started out together in boot camp in the Don't Ask Don't Tell times.. The story is told in two perspectives and its very entertaining ?as well as sizzling hot.? I just wish it was a little longer.. ?

Debra says

Loved reading Tuck and Owen's POV back to back. In Part 1 we get Shane/Tuck's POV on his meeting and opinions of his Battle Buddy Owen during bootcamp, their subsequent separation and then meeting again in Ranger School. The second part of the book is told in Owen's voice and adds so much to Tuck's version and continues their story (not merely a rehash of the first part). The book is well written in both voice's but it is Owen's version that really grabbed me.

The ending is not so much a cliff hanger as a tease of what's to come. Can't wait to read more of their story.

Vivian says

4.5 Stars

Two sexy alpha males tell like it is. From basic training through Ranger School Owen and Tuck are like flint and stone--just sparking each time they come together. Flash grenades ain't got nothing on these two.

Now when you start reading the first viewpoint, Tuck's, you really think Owen's a bit of an arrogant prick-- and you're right, he is. Somehow all that ridiculous dickheadedness gets twisted into gleeful irreverence when you read Owen's viewpoint, and he's forgiven, even if he still is a prick. Besides, Tuck can give as good as he gets and this inherent equality makes Owen seem like less of a jerk.

I have to say, I am and I am not surprised by how much I liked layout of the story. Told in a "He said, He said" format, it had none of the bore me with reiterating a series of events that I usually experience. Then again, it is deliberately done. This is an expanded version of the previously released *Battle Buddy* with Owen's perspective added, and his humor is an amusing counterpoint to Tuck's teeth grinding. Owen's side also gives some critical backstory that just flushes his and Tuck's character out. While you may wonder how it will end, you won't be disappointed.

Recommended for readers who like their alpha males a hot, sexy mess and battling for supremacy.

Favorite quote:

“Open your fucking mouth and kiss me, Tuck.”

Gina says

I loved loved loved this! It was funny, emotional and hot hot hot!!! OH MY!! Gimme more!!

CrabbyPatty says

Holy crap ... Tuck & Cover is one sizzling hot book. Take two buff and gorgeous hard-bodied Army Rangers, add sexual tension to the frickin' nth degree, then stand back and watch the fireworks.

Heather K (dentist in my spare time) says

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Awilk -never sleeps- says

I will start with the simple fact that SJD Peterson is becoming one of my favourite authors. These two shorts, telling the same story from the two perspectives of the two MC's were well written, and I thoroughly enjoyed them.

My only complaint is that I WANT MORE.

Ana_P says

So, basically, I had felt two main reactions throughout this book:

One:

Two:

This book was one of *the* funniest books I have ever read, and it was *so* hot.

I mean, how can it not be when we got two Rough Rangers going at it...?

Anyway, the first portion of the book is told through Tuck's POV and the second through Owen's. They both describe their time in Army boot camp and then Ranger school, and the utterly distracting attraction they feel for one another.

At first Owen is going:

And Tuck is going

because he is afraid that Owen is straight and just acting overly handsy to mess with him.

But when they finally get together:

This was just an extremely entertaining, light-hearted, and thoroughly enjoyable read about two Army recruits who meet, fall in lust, and then love (*mutters* even though neither will admit it...yet!). I *highly* recommend it! And I really cannot wait to read the continuation of their story about their time in the Army Rangers!

Jewel says

Tuck & Cover is the combination of Battle Buddy and Tuck & Cover. Most of which is the same story told from two different perspectives. However, unlike most multi-perspective stories that I have read, this one entertained me from both. It didn't feel like just another rehashing of the original story. So, that is a win.

Battle Buddy is told from the POV of Shane Tucker. Shane joined the army at 19, mainly to get away from his small town. He knows he is gay, but he's never acted on it, and his family and home town certainly don't know, so the fact that he can't be openly gay in the military doesn't really phase him. At boot camp, he encounters Owen Bradford and he is instantly in lust. And Owen, to make matters worse, has no sense of personal space, so Shane is driven out of his ever loving mind. I loved the way Battle Buddy was told. Shane made me laugh pretty much through his entire telling.

Tuck & Cover is told from Owen Bradford's POV. Owen has the distinction of being raised to be the third generation of Ranger's in his family. His father is a Colonel, his grandfather was witness to the founding of the Ranger's - so no pressure, right? Owen also knows he is gay, but he sure as hell isn't coming out to his family any time soon. While not as humorously told, I loved his perspective, too. He was attracted to Tucker from the beginning and pretty much made it his mission to get under the soldier's skin -- mission accomplished, I'd say. Tuck & Cover goes slightly beyond Ranger School and has definitely left me wanting more.

Also, both POV's were hot hot hot! I'll be in my bunk...

.Lili. says

I really enjoyed this enemies to lovers story. It was funny, hot, and emotional. Loved the mix of high sexual tension with humor. My only complaint is the end was pretty abrupt. Would've loved an epilogue taking place years down the road. Overall an enjoyable, fun read. 4 stars.

Elizabethta says

3.5 stars

This is a combined book. The first story *Battle Buddy*, previously released, is told from nineteen year old Shane Tucker's (Tuck) POV and chronicles his training as an Army Ranger. *Tuck & Cover* is the second part and is told from Owen Bradford' POV. A large part of his story recount's the same storyline told by Tuck. While I did like seeing Shane's perspective, I also wished that it was about different events.

All I have to say to Tuck is: *Dude, if a guy snuggles up to you, falls asleep with his nose pressed to your neck and wakes up giving you a quick kiss there... he's gay. Especially if you're both lying in a trench on a military training excursion-- he's sending you signals.* But, to Tuck's credit, he's young, inexperienced, overwhelmed and confused. And Owen Bradford is a force to be reckoned with.

Owen is supremely confident about... everything. He was born to the Army way. His dad and grandfather were Rangers. It's in his blood. He's also way more experienced than Shane Tucker when it comes to boys, hookups and sex. But he can't get Tuck out of his mind, is pulled to him.

The guys fly under the DADT edict; they live in a time when their careers are at risk if they are discovered. So it takes a while to get to their hookup but it is incendiary and the flirting and verbal sparring that lead up to it are lots of fun.

What I really like about these stories is that they are as much about the army training as the romance. And it's about the sacrifices Tuck and Owen make for their careers and for their country. The author has a light hand when delivering the heavier aspects of this but doesn't fail to convey the heartbreak of their situation. I hope there will be more stories featuring Tuck and Owen as this is just the start for them.

Pixie says

Oh how I hope there is a follow up book. This book was so steamy. I adored seeing the relationship unfold from both perspectives. The complexity of their relationship since they are both in the military was portrayed perfectly. Not just the M/M aspect but the not being stationed together, not knowing where they would be stationed next, not being able to plan for the future because your life is not your own. I'm pissed they didn't get their two weeks yet not surprised. I need another book...
