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Maura says

I read this years ago and I can still remember thinking, "Why is this guy being such an unmitigated asshole to her?" She did NOTHING to deserve the treatment - he just comes out, guns blazing being a total asshat. I guess he does warm up to her a little later and he reveals that he was just being protective of his stepmother or something... I wasn't a fan of this story too much.

Leona says

I really enjoyed this book. It was quite different from other HP's I have read. It had a lot of mystery versus the traditional angst we see in the HP line of books. Alli is a young woman raised on the island Valanu having been nurtured by the islanders. Her father has recently passed away and she has come upon a box of his personal papers that lead her to a woman that could be her mother. Slade Hawkins is a ruthless billionaire that is prepared to protect whatever is his. He purchases the hotel that Alli is working at, and from there the sparks start to fly and the love story begins.

A lot of intense passionate reading, a strong heroine, and a wonderful hero.
I recommend!

Tonya Warner says

After the death of her father, Alli went looking for the mother she never knew. She wanted answers to why her mother abandoned her. She was just waiting to earn enough to go to confront her.

Slade does not know what game Alli is playing, but the demanding letter his step-mother received required answers. But he had a difficult time tying the flagrant woman he expected, the flame haired beauty before him.

Overall, a nice story. A little convoluted, ok, sometimes a lot convoluted, but still ok.

Edith says

Lecture pour mon cours à la Teluq.

Karen says

Great story. Loved the location...New Zealand.

4 stars, would have gotten 5 stars if the ending was better. I'm a sucker for an epilogue...marriage and babies. Oh well, on to the next book.

RomLibrary says

part of the virgin mistress bundle bought in Jan 2009 on HQ bookshelf. Starts with her making leis with her friends in the island. She is a New Zealander and wants to meet her mother who abandoned her as a baby. He arrives to inspect his Hotel where she works . he is also there to confront her about blackmailing his step mother and falls for her. he offers to keep Hotel open if she becomes his mistress. She refuses and they dont see each other until a couple of years later. He is tracking line. Alli Pierce is desperately seeking her real mother. But hotel magnate Slade Hawkings is convinced she's after his family's money, and that she is nothing but a scheming gold digger!

Despite Slade's misgivings, the handsome billionaire can't deny the incredible chemistry between him and Alli. Unaware that Alli is a virgin, Slade makes a proposal that will give them both what they want. He'll help her find what she's looking for—in exchange for one night in his bed

StMargarets says

There are two plot lines in this story. The history of the heroine's parentage, which has to do with the hero's stepmother. And the slow-motion romance of the H/h that takes place over the course of a couple of years.

The main conflict for the H/h is that the hero thinks the heroine is an enemy - a blackmailing, promiscuous enemy. That she is only 20 and clearly innocent when he first meets her at the Polynesian resort he just bought, shows how unwilling the hero is to change his mind. In true RD hero style, he believes every scrap of malicious gossip and his slut-shaming imagination fills in the rest.

The hero wraps himself in righteousness and claims that he's being so mean to the heroine because he's trying to protect his fragile stepmother (who is 55 and acts like she is 80) from the heroine who is claiming family ties. The heroine agrees to not seek any more info from the stepmother if the hero will keep the resort open.

Two years later the hero hunts the heroine down in New Zealand where she has moved to make a life for herself. Seems step mum does know the whole story of the heroine's birth and will now see her. Heroine reluctantly agrees to spend ten days with her at the family homestead.

Hero is still delusional about his feelings for the heroine and the rest of the story concerns the hero invoking all of his "will power" and slut-shaming as armor against the feminine wiles of the heroine.

It got tedious after awhile.

The heroine's origin story was indeed sordid and it overshadowed the HEA. I wish the author had cleared things up earlier in the narrative. The last minute black moment with the OW was well done and could have been brought in earlier for maximum angst. Instead, RD gave page time to ancient history and the car accident of a bunch of random characters. Not one of her best.

RomLibrary says

same book as Ruthless Billionaire, Inexperienced Mistress. she is making lei's in opening scene

Diana C says

¡Oh, me encantaron estos personajes! Entre los enredos y desazones, sus formas toscas de hablar y las sombrías palabras teñidas por gigantescas desconfianzas, existe mucha originalidad, aquí. Aunado a esto, los avatares sorprendivos que dibujaban el día a día de cada uno de ellos, le dio a la novela un toque de brillo. Esta obra llamada, Fortuna para un Corazón, es una novela proveniente de una cadena que lleva por nombre, “Millonarios” en los ESPECIALES HARLEQUÍN. La misma, se vislumbra en su fachada como si tan solo fuese una seguidilla cliché con una rutinaria temática. Tras una portada compartida con la novela de la que estaré conversando a continuación, la historia entre Alli y Slade supera todo lo lineal; su forma de ser narrada y la historia en sí, hace la diferencia entre muchas novelas del sello editorial.

«Temblando por dentro, le observó atravesar el vestíbulo junto al gerente, alto y ágil; un auténtico jefe, portando su autoridad con estilo.

¡O, mirado desde otro punto de vista, un tiburón en lo más alto de la escala alimenticia»

Alli es una mujer muy feliz de la vida que ha llevado, pero sosteniendo dentro de su cabeza y corazón, el vacío que supuso un abandono inexplicable. Este hecho la convierte en alguien determinado a conocer todas las razones del porqué su pasado tenía una mancha contundente; amarrándose con fuerza a seguir la vida repleta de luchas y prosperidad... amabilidad y temple de acero, apartando menesteres como la belleza, la correspondencia al amor y ganando un grado de inocencia ante lo que el mundo y las personas que habitan en él, le mostraban.

«Si algo de tu comportamiento no te gusta, cámbialo. No hay nada que la fuerza de voluntad no pueda superar»

Slade es un protagonista típico, pero tiene una particularidad: logra enamorarte con su arrogancia casi insultante, su desconfianza en casi toda la trama, y su sentido de un humor amargo. Su seriedad es eterna pero su fuerza de voluntad y su capacidad para no detenerse a doblegarse en nada, hacen que traiga a la hermosa Alli a la tierra, anclarla en ella y hacerle ver todas esas cosas de las que ella se había perdido.

«La observó mientras dormía, atesorando cada momento como si fueran joyas»

Ellos no son los protagonistas perfectos. No se alaban el uno al otro de inmediato, y cuando la pasión surge como el cenit de la marcada historia, la novela sigue manteniendo su elegancia y es fiel a un final jamás esperado. Un final que para muchos podría resultar incompleto... pues para mí, ha resultado justo y necesario.

Nikki says

Liked this one too! Nice change of scenery, New Zealand was fun for the characters. I think the hero was a little too slow and a little too mean for too long and it really wasn't necessary for him to think she was a slut right away, seemed like overkill. Enjoyed Marian! She was a strong old bird who loved her stepson and wanted to get to know the heroine after meeting her. She needs to drop her goddaughter quick though, that chick dumb. Marian got the raw end of her crazy sister in the past but the heroine's father too...cause let's face it crazy does give the best sex. That's science. We really didn't need that last second 'hero is using you' trope to get the couple to admit their feelings, heroine probably could have stumbled on something. But the couple did bring out the best in each other, and each wanted to do what was best for Marian from the start. Cute.

Danielle The Book Huntress (Back to the Books) says

I like to wind down from a hard week with a Harlequin Presents. I saw this one lurking beneath the bedside table and thought I'd give it a read. I ended up getting enthralled in this book. Despite the blurb, and despite the seemingly arrogant hero who doesn't have the best opinion of the heroine initially, this book had some layers I wasn't expecting. I don't know why I was so surprised. Donald is a very capable writer who does manage to write books that draw you in pretty much most of the time.

She takes the story in ways I didn't expect, particularly with the history of Alli's mother. I was very surprised at why the woman Alli thinks is her mother didn't want to meet Alli at first. I won't give it away because part of the enjoyment was having the truth unwind slowly. Another way that this book pleasantly surprised me is the intense way that the hero Slade falls for Alli. He falls hard and fast, although he is not very good at articulating his feelings. I just love a hero who is stone cold in love with the heroine.

A quick read, I did enjoy this book and found myself taken by surprise in a good way beyond what I was expecting reading the blurb. Also if you like vivid descriptions of island paradises, this book is for you.

Tarsis says

Demasiado rollo para una tontería xD

Amara says

This book hooked me from the start. I stayed up late into the night finishing it, but that's expected because Donald is one of my favorite Harlequin authors. There was mystery, angst, and a lovable jerk. Also, OM drama, which I adore because I like seeing a possessive and jealous hero. The descriptions of paradise were vivid, and even though I was on vacation in Louisiana in the winter, I felt like I was on an island resort.
