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When you're enemies, does love have a fighting chance?

For Amiria of Berwyck, defeat does not come easily as she watches her home and clan being ripped asunder. When the very enemy who has laid siege to her home demands her fealty, she will do whatever it takes to protect her people including a hastily concocted ruse that quickly begins to unravel. All too soon, she starts to question whether she can forgive herself for betraying those she has sworn to protect.

Dristan of Blackmore, champion knight of King Henry II, has a reputation to uphold as the Devil's Dragon. After his invading army conquers Berwyck castle, he sets out to manage the newly claimed estate by training its knight in the art of proper defense. At first, everything appears as it should be, or is it? Betrayed by those he believed he could trust, he must first set aside his anger before he can make room in his heart for love.

Together they are tied by an unspoken bond. As they begin to rebuild the land and unite their people, forces beyond their control attempt to tear apart their fragile truce and only time will tell if love will forever bring them together.

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Alice says

Two and a half stars, if I'm being fair. Though, full disclosure, I couldn't even finish it.

God, so many things about this book irritated me. I will enumerate:

1. So many clichés, good lord. The feisty, defiant heroine who is beautiful and has long red hair and violet eyes (violet eyes? just stop) and the dark, commanding hero who is also beautiful and broods and is tough and enjoys ordering people around. The mystical, all-knowing, prophetic healer woman. It's not really so much that I hate all clichés, as in reading any romance novel you have to leave a certain amount of leeway for familiar plot devices and similar characteristics. The problem arises, I think, when the characters become reduced to those single-word descriptors. They have no real personality, or real purpose beyond fulfilling a trope. The villains are super villainous. The heroes are super heroic. There's no nuance.

2. This book's grammar reads like the author just used a speech-to-text program and forgot to edit. "It was plane to see," really? I can overlook a few grammatical mistakes, but this happened way too many times to be an accident. "She couldn't bare it," "you're warriors"--add that to at least 2 misuses of commas on every page and I was questioning whether anyone had revised the first manuscript of this. Maybe this isn't as big a deal to other people, but it just seems lazy to me to publish a book without at least looking through it first.

3. The writing sounded wooden to me. Granted, the author does try replicate the speech of the period, which may contribute to the problem, but I've read other medieval fiction that doesn't jerk along quite as abruptly. All that said, this isn't the worst thing I've ever read, which is why I gave it two stars. The half is extra for the fact that the author does pay attention to detail, which is nice. It would just be nicer if there was substance to lavish the detail on.

Tracy T. says

WONDERFUL STORY! EXCELLENT NARRATION! (Audible Review)

This was a very good book. I thoroughly enjoyed it! The heroine, Amiria was strong, witty, beautiful, stubborn and I just loved her. The hero Dristan was tall, dark, handsome and sexy! They made a very good match. The chemistry between them felt real and honest, not forced or fake. There are a few very nicely written sex scenes, although they were mildly written, they were well done and you were quite sated. The attraction and sexual tension between the H and H was also very prevalent and not at all rushed.

I really enjoyed the story line and plot.. There was romance, sexual attraction, action, sword fighting, betrayal and hidden identity. It was all good.

I would have liked it more if there had been more dialogue, but that is just my preference. The dialogue there was was great.

As for the narration? Well it was fantastic! I love Marian Hussey's narrations. She makes a story even more enjoyable. Her reading voice is wonderful, she gives all her characters their own distinct voice, the men sound like men, the accents sound great and she reads with emotion. She is by far a favorite narrator! 10 stars to Marian Hussey for the narration!

Thank you Marian Hussey for a wonderful listen!

I would love to see more Sherry Ewing books on audible, especially if they are narrated by Marian Hussey.

In particular I would like to see, For All of Ever: The Knights of Berwyck, A Quest Through Time

Deborah R Reader says

Good read

This book keeps you reading page by page, your interest growing. Very hard to put down. Also gives you laughs and reminded me of my family.

Karla says

Ach, 'twill, 'twas, 'twould, 'tis, doona ken, mayhap, ye'll, tae, shouldna, yer, afore, dinnae...

Only 2 Kindle samples of medievals and I have a headache. :P

On a more positive note, there are two characters whose names are captivating:

That alone has me wondering if I'll give it a second chance later on. *side-eye*

Ann Phillips says

It was Beautiful

I love it can't wait to read more thanks for letting me reading this book. I am also glad that we are friends on Facebook

Debra says

Bravo

This book made my day it was spectacular you my lady have a gift. I read this book in day and a half and wish it did not have to end. But I must now read Ian tale and so happy to see it's available. You have a fan. God bless you and may your Guardian Angel continue to guide your work. Please readers don't miss this tale. I promise you won't be able to put it down. If this is your first book in this era then you have hit gold. Ms. D. From New York City

Tiffany Landers says

Sherry Ewing captured my attention with nothing more than the alluring cover of If My Heart Could See You. This captivating historical romance novel had me at hello. I have always loved historical romance and Sherry Ewing did not disappoint. I don't like spoilers, so I won't add any here, but I will tell you that I love the unique characters Sherry created in this book. Amiria's character is so incredible and I simply love the names Sherry chose for her story.

I read a lot of stories and not all of them have passed through the hands of a great editor. Sherry has a meticulous writing style and I love, love, love a story that is without spelling and grammar errors, such as this one. It is evident that the author took her time and thoroughly researched the historical data she wrote this story around.

I highly recommend this book to anyone who likes a great historical romance novel and I cannot WAIT to start reading her next novel, For All of Ever: The Knights of Berwyck, A Quest Through Time Novel.

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Tiffany Reid

Carolyn says

This is my second book by Sherry Ewing (the first, which is actually the second book in this series, was "For All of Ever," which I loved).

I really liked this medieval romance. Every time I had an interruption and had to put the book down, I frowned. I loved all the characters, which were well-developed. Our villain is especially heinous. Yep, it's a keeper and I know I will re-read it again, as well the second book, "For All of Ever."

Now, I REALLY can't wait for Lynet and Ian's story! ;)

Lilmismolly says

If My Heart Could See You by Sherry Ewing is a good medieval story set during the time of King Henry II. Dristan of Blackmore is one of the King's most trusted knights who is sent to the north to conquer Berwyck castle and its holdings. As his prize in doing so, the King instructs Dristan to wed the eldest daughter of the keep to unite the two lands. After the dust settles, the daughter in question, Amiria, is nowhere to be found. Instead Amiria decides to pretend to be her twin brother who she believes to be dead. Little did she anticipate that Dristan would take the lad/lady to be his squire and it's inevitable that they will soon end up together.

Although it seemed to take me a couple of tries to get into the rhythm of the story (I would have preferred less 'twis, 'kin and mayhap language), once I did, I really enjoyed the story of Berwyck Castle and its inhabitants. There are several good side stories going along, and when more than one couple gets married, I can't help but feel like I've won bonus prizes. I especially liked how the sex was done all behind "closed

doors" - you knew it was happening without all salacious details.

Marian Hussey narrated and did a great job! She had different voices for each character, both young and old and male and female. I especially enjoyed the younger brothers and sisters voices as they were very authentic - one of them plays a pivotal role at the end, so perhaps that is why it's so memorable. Because of Marian's narration, I enjoyed listening to this book much more than I would have if I had only read it - at 10 1/2 hours in audio format, that's saying something! I received a copy of this audio in exchange for an honest review.

Nicole Laverdure says

Truly another Magnificent Medieval story!

What a beautiful story is this book, If My Heart Could See You, nicely written by Sherry Ewing, it's stunning, powerful and emotional! I loved the characters Dristan of Blackmore, a knight with a heart of gold and Amiria of Berwick, a proud and stubborn lady, their story stole my breath away!

After reading many Medieval romances, Ms. Ewing's book, took me by surprise, I could not put it down, she got me hooked to Dristan and Amiria's romantic and perilous story! If My Heart Could See You, is the love story, of two beautiful souls, along a journey filled with twists and turns, loyalty, betrayal, honour, trust and passion. The story starts, after the invasion of Berwyck castle, by Dristan, as the champion knight of King Henry II, when Amiria, decides to hide under the identity of her brother, dressed as a young man. Slowly, he will notice her trickery and challenge her in combat which will create awkward but beautiful moments, making it harder to resist her. Is there any hope, for love, when both are enemies? Only time will tell!

We meet other interesting characters such as Lynet, Ian, Sabina, Patrick.

I'm looking forward to read the next story A Knight to Call my Own, which will be Ian and Lynet's own story. It's a real page turner to devour! Another amazing tale to recommend!

elaine m. suda says

Knight and Lady

I really enjoy reading historical romances. I found it very interesting that Amiria stood in for her brother Aiden and fought in his stead. Apparently Dristan didn't have complete control over his wife, but finally she gave in to him and became the Lady of Berwyck Castle. I look forward to reading more of your work.

Bobbie says

This is not your typical historical romance. It's the first book by this writer but so entertaining. The heroine is a warrior woman but with a soft and feminine side too. It is full of action, intrigue, and romance. And what a great title for this book. Check it out for a great read.

Crystal Cox says

What do you do when the Devil's Dragon comes and takes over your home ? Amiria decides to try a ruse but doesn't know how long it can last. Will Dristan's notorious temper explode if he finds out ?

I loved this introduction to Berwyck Castle. The characters and setting were well developed and I fell in love with the story. The villains are great with plenty of conflict to keep the story moving along at a great pace. My favorite was the main couple , Amiria is a great strong, determined, and loving. Dristan is strong, protective, and full of heart. As other reviewers have said I really want to read Ian's story but I would also think Sabina should have a story too. I can't wait to read more books of Sherry Ewing .

Will be kept on my Kindle to read again !

Theresa Echols says

Sherry Ewing's If My Heart Could See You is a look back in time to the border wars between England and Scotland in the 1100's. She tells of a knight who is not a knight defending the castle and a knight who is known as the Devil's Dragon who has arrived to claim his new lair. Quick read. Great detail. Filled out characters. Satisfying story.

Lisa C. says

The first part of the story kept my interest and things moved along, predictably, but the story was good. Somewhere along the way, things went downhill fast. Unlikely scenarios made things unbelievable. The language throughout the story seemed forced, as though the author was trying to make it sound like the time period but it didn't work. I noticed quite a few minor grammar errors started popping up the more I read.

Character development was lacking. I like to get to know the main characters but we didn't really get to. The whole story with the twin brother was not developed well. At the risk of giving anything away, I'll just say, the events that happened seemed highly improbable. For readers who like more realistic stories, this may not be for them.
