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**Pick your pleasure! Bad boy bikers, race car drivers, billionaires or marines? Why should you have to choose only one when you can have ten?**

Don't miss the Facebook Poll reader favorite Flint Mason in both Safe House & Liberated! Second place goes to Shane Davis in Skin Deep, a stock car racing champion burned in a fiery car crash.

Contained inside this box set:

1. Safe House (Steel Infidels Series Book 1)
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\* Extra bonus book-Captivated by the Soldier

## **Tough and Tender (Bad Boy Romance Box Set) Details**

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## **From Reader Review Tough and Tender (Bad Boy Romance Box Set) for online ebook**

### **Lin ( Nerdy Bookworm) says**

I received this ARC for an honest review!

A collection of great stories by an amazing author with a very talented mind. I have had the pleasure of reading all of these books and was not disappointed at all. My most cherish story is of the Steel Infidel MC. I love this author writing style because the storyline is exuberant and unique.

The Steel Infidels series was a great read. I really love seeing how Flint and Kendra story started, I couldn't put it down. I loved how Flint was able to be vulnerable and open up to Kendra about his relationship with his younger brother and his Mom's death. I think deep down Flint is a genuinely good guy. I love this author writing style because the storyline is exuberant and unique. The characters appears more lifelike and from the beginning to the end your attention is captured. I was hoping to read more bikers mc romance from this author. The cliffhanger ending had me on pins and needles, I did not see that coming. I couldn't wait to find out what happens next until she wrote Jesse's story. It was awesome!!

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### **Racy says**

Received this set for an honest review.

Safe House:

The thing about people we look to as family is that not all are blood related. That is the way Flint, Jesse, and Sam look at the Steel Infidels Motorcycle Club. The MC were their brothers. They took them in when they needed a place to go. They would stand by them thru thick and thin. Thru the good and the bad. That is why you know it had to hurt when Flint had turned his back on the MC.

Flint who is a bad boy is an interesting character. He left the MC and got as far away from them as he could. He had become a Public Defender, now tell me you did not chuckle at the thought of that. He was trying to make a good life for himself. After his best friend Tommy's death he returned back to his brothers, his family, the MC.

Fate has a way of bring people together that would of never met. Dr. Kendra Shaw who is a vet for the Shaw Vet Clinic and the Shaw Wildlife Center gets suckered in to the drama going on with the Steel Infidels MC and the Liberators. Flint needs a doctor under the radar. Who better the Dr. Shaw herself.

Things get pretty hot and steamy with Flint and Kendra. Trust me it is a story that you will get hooked on and you so do not want to miss out on.

Liberated:

The story of Flint and Kendra continue. The Liberators are coming after them. They are having to leave the safe house and flee for their lives. Kendra life has change so much and she knows she will never be the same. She will do whatever it takes to keep Flint safe.

Flint hates that he has put Kendra's life in danger. He knows she is too good for him. The question is can he

do he make himself let go of the best thing that has ever happen to him? He finds her addicting, but seeing her life in danger is killing him.

Things are still heating up with Kendra and Flint. Flint is hiding his past from Kendra. Thing about hiding the past is it will sooner or later catch up to you. How will Kendra react when she finds out?

Steel Justice:

WOW!!! Awesome book. I think it is best you read the other 2 books in the series before this one. I think it will give you more understanding what happen between the Steel Infidels MC and the Liberators MC. Besides the other two previous books are awesome.

This story is about Jesse who is the President of the Steel Infidels. He is thrilled that his brother had found love. He adores his future sister-in-law. Jesse is trying to get things together to throw his brother a bachelor party. That is were he saw her. The girl of his dreams. It did not matter he was surround by strippers she was perfect to him. Trisha was not going to be easy to get.

Trisha does not have an easy life. Her brother is the VP of the Liberators and did not care what happen to his sister. He was abusive and now was willing to let something really bad happen to her.

Trisha had men hitting on her every night at the bar. They thought for sure she would spread her legs for money, then she saw him. Jesse was breathe taking but she was not willing to just give in to him. Jesse was going to get a run for his money..

There is betrayal and danger for Trisha and Jesse. Sometimes you do not know what you have until it is gone. Will they ever be able to get their lives on track? Will Trisha ever get that feeling of home that she so desires?

Gens 4 Ladies:

Interesting story. Tiana wanted to impress her boss on bring a handsome man to the wedding but it seemed like all of Tiana's male friends were busy. Leave it to her friend Alyssa to talk her into contacting a male escort service called Gents4Ladies and to top that off recommend one that is highly recommended.

Jordan who was a very successful man was surprised to receive a phone call wanting to hire him for a male escort. He was more surprised to see his photo, phone #, and other personal information up on a male escort site. Who would do this to him. Could it be a joke or could it be revenge?

There seems to be chemistry between Jordan and Tiana. Problem is Jordan is hiding the fact that he is not really a male escort. How will Tiana take to the news?

I think you will like the events that play out in this story. Yes there are some very hot and steamy parts as well.

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## **Charliegirl11 says**

### **Waste of time**

This book contains ten different stories by the same author, and was the first I'd ever read from this author. I actually enjoyed reading the first three stories in the book, which are from a motorcycle club series. It was a little stereotypical of MC romances, but overall not bad. The next story was awful as was the one after that and the one after that, and so on until the end. Each one was worse than the one before. I have no idea why these are considered interracial, there is very little in any of these about race, except a few vague, conflicting descriptions. Same for the ones marked as mystery and suspense. The only mystery is where are the mysteries. The characters are undeveloped and unbelievable, the romance, what little is there is cheesy, and the sex scenes waver between being too long and verbose to being so ridiculously described as to provoke laughter and eye rolling. I'm usually a bit OCD about finishing books I start, no matter how bad, looking for some redeeming quality, but I eventually reported to skimming the last few stories, just so I could finish and put this one aside. Except for the Steel Infidels stories, this was a total waste of time and energy.

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## **Coral Mitchell says**

1. Safe House (Steel Infidels Series Book 1)
2. Liberated (Steel Infidels Series Book 2) 4\*

Several years before, Flint Mason committed the unthinkable, he left town and turned his back on his brothers and the Steel Infidels Motorcycle Club. When his best friend is murdered by a rival MC, he returns home determined to exact his own personal revenge. Veterinarian Dr. Kendra Shaw has never ignored an animal in need. So when a call comes in about an injured eagle she doesn't think twice about going alone to a secluded cabin to meet the caller. What she finds there sets her on a shocking path she never imagined.

Flint and Kendra are forced together in a tense situation where neither wants to be.

\*explicit content\*

The Steel Infidels are being taken out one by one. Flint returns home to help protect his family and the MC. Kendra ends up involved with the MC, against her will and better judgment. Neither Flint or Kendra have time to date or get involved but when they meet the sparks fly. Flint is determined to keep Kendra away because of the danger from the rival MC.

3. Steel Justice (Steel Infidels Series Book 3) 4\*

Bikers, babes, and booze. Three things Jesse lived for, all in one dirty package when he decided to throw his brother's bachelor party at the Panama City Bike Rally. Then Trish came along and screwed up everything. The plan was simple. Familiar. Take her home, wreck her for other men, then kick her to the curb by daylight, spent and breathless. It would've been the perfect night if she hadn't hidden one little fact. She's Big Roy's property, and he owns her. The Prez of the Liberators MC is used to getting what he wants, and he won't let her go without a fight.

\*explicit content\*

Jesse is capable of deep feelings. They were evident in the first two books, for his brothers and the MC he is President of. He just never thought those feelings could extend to a woman. That Trish is in danger doesn't make him hesitate, he volunteers to help her before she is willing to tell him exactly what she is in. Trish is very naïve and believes her brother, as VP of the Liberators, is incapable of any illegal or horrible deeds. Even when he abuses her. Maybe a little naïve is fine, but she continues to believe he is good even after he gives her to Big Roy.

#### 4. Thunderclap (Steel Infidels Series Book 4) 4\*

Sam is the ultimate player. There has never been a woman he did not get in his bed. Until Lila blew into town. For the first time, his tricks aren't working. He wants her and she thinks he's nothing more than a two-bit thug. Lila is enamored with Sam, even before she met him. He's been her mark for weeks. Nobody said going undercover as an agent for the Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives special units division was going to be easy. Working her way into the Steel Infidels Motorcycle Club's inner circle will take time. Sam Mason may be the sexiest man alive but he's still going down.

\*explicit content\*

Sam believes he can play the game with Lila. neither one of them realizes they are playing a very different game, with very different rules. Lila is edgy and loves pushing Sam to the limits. Sam realizes Lila is up for just about anything and loves that about her. Both are in too deep before they know it.

#### 5. Skin Deep 4\*

Stock car racing champion, Shane Davis had it all- money, fast cars and even faster women until a fiery crash changed everything in a flaming instant. Shane never intends to get married; not with the way he looks now. He knew no woman could ever love him and wasn't about to find out if he was wrong. But when he needed a woman in his life to play a pretend girlfriend for a few short weeks, he selected the one he felt would suit his needs with no strings attached: Angela Neil. The first time Angela came face to face with Shane, she was taken aback by his scars but more so by his sizzling magnetism. The way he looked at her, with a searing heat made her simmer. This was supposed to be all about business, but Shane made it clear early on that he wanted much, much more. Angela was a smart woman and wasn't about to let her hormones rule her common sense. But temptation called Shane Davis was a dangerous thing to resist.

Angela and Shane are attracted to one another from the first meeting. Shane does not know how to properly express his feelings and puts foot in mouth. Angela knows their contract is just that- a business contract, Shane made that fact very clear. She does not realize he is attracted to her beyond a sexual release. Neither one discusses what they are truly feeling and Shane believes his actions will speak louder. Angela believes it all to be an act.

#### 6. Gents 4 Ladies 3\*

Desperate for a last-minute date to her boss's wedding, Tiana takes a friend's advice and hires a male escort from a website, "Gents4Ladies" featured on a daytime talk show. The website seemed completely legitimate and even explicitly stated the men are hired for companionship only and that no sexual favors will be performed in exchange for money. Jordan, a highly respected financial manager, is shocked and dismayed when a young woman calls his cellphone requesting his services as a male escort to a wedding. Realizing someone is playing a vicious prank on him by uploading his profile to a male escort site, he decides to go along with the farce in hopes of finding out who the culprit is.

\*explicit content\*

Jordan has the intention of telling Tiana someone is pranking him, but he gets tongue tied at how attracted to her he is. Of course, the longer he does not tell her the truth, the deeper the problem becomes.

#### 7. Trapped Into Marriage 3\*

Nick Vitale, devilishly handsome, forbidding - and heir to a billion dollar fortune. Keyonna Hayes, beautiful, success-driven and ripe for love and passion beneath her ambitious shell. Blackmailed into marriage to the insufferably rich and gorgeous, Nick , Keyonna is determined to teach him a thing or two about love which he so despises. Only things never really go as expected. Soon intrigue, heartbreak and betrayal ensue and Nick and Keyonna fight to regain a love that was always destined to be theirs.

Nick and Keyonna are barraged by rumors, jealousy, and bad circumstances. Keyonna is used to running from her problems instead of finding out the truth.

### 8. Claimed by the Marine 3\*

Being dumped by her fiancée weeks before the wedding left Anna feeling unattractive and insecure. She was at the bottom when her girlfriends convinced her a night out of partying and dancing would help to lift her spirits. Little did she know she would meet the man of her dreams. Not only was Hawk Malone a Marine, he was drop-dead gorgeous and best of all he wanted her! For the first time in a long time, she felt truly desirable and there was no telling what the resultant euphoria would make her do.

\*explicit content\*

Anna cannot imagine any man wanting her past a night of passion. Hawk set out for a night of fun, but did not count on feeling a deep attraction to Anna. He wants more.

### 9. Captured by the Bodyguard 3\*

Cane Hutchinson took one look at heiress Alexandra Duke and knew she'd be big trouble. He was an ex-Marine whose expertise as a bodyguard had him working with high-risk clients all over the world.

Babysitting a billionaire's princess was the last thing he wanted to be doing. The last thing Alexandra wanted-or needed, was a bodyguard. But her father had worries for her safety after winning an important contract against an unscrupulous business rival. She was used to keeping people at a distance because of the fortune her father represented-but for how long could she keep her rising feelings for Cane at bay.

Cane was appropriate in his continuing professionalism. Alexandra acted like a spoiled teenager to the end. She may not have liked her father hiring someone to protect her, but her constant whining and throwing herself at him was frustrating. Cane even explained to her they could not be together because it was his job to protect her, and she still acted very immature.

### 10. Burned by Passion 4\*

Kira Taylor was shocked to meet her boss's handsome, long-absent son and find him even more lethal in the flesh. Blake Carter returned to America for a reunion with a father he hadn't seen since he was ten. But Blake had never bargained for falling for his father's sexy secretary, the beautiful and impressionable Kira. Blake caught one glimpse of the gorgeous beauty from across the crowded room and felt the primal taste of desire like he'd never known.

Kira has many emotional scars handed to her by her father. She finds it hard to believe in herself or find herself desirable. She prides herself on being good at her job and has found her boss to also be a positive father figure for her aching heart. Blake is a surprise for her, especially when she is so very attracted to him. He invokes feelings in her that even her boyfriend does not. Blake wants her to feel adored, by him, and tries his hardest to let her know he deeply cares for her.

### 11. Forbidden Love with the Marine

Olivia Kirkland had a body made for sin and Ivan had known that she was going to be trouble ever since she'd started to bloom before his very eyes years before.

Her father, Martin Kirkland, had been like a father figure to Ivan ever since his parents were killed when he was sixteen. Now that he was home from his latest Marine mission, the last thing he wanted to do was jeopardize the one thing that meant anything to him apart from his life as a Marine-his family. Yes, Olivia was practically his family, and he could never think of anything more happening between them.

But Olivia had other ideas. She'd been in love with Ivan ever since she knew what the word meant. And even if it meant seducing him, she was going to find a way to make her every desire come to life in his arms.

### 12. Captivated by the Soldier

Finding a gorgeous-and very naked strange man sleeping beneath her covers was not the welcome home present Makayla Stiles expected on her return from a business trip. The sexy surprise occupant of her bed

turned out to be Blade, step-brother of her roommate and an Army Special Ops soldier intent on making a fresh start.

Makayla soon discovered Blade was irresistibly sexy and a man hiding big secrets

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### **Christie says**

I received an ARC for my review, However....

As you can see from my profile, I have read each book in the collection as a stand alone story. To received these books in this collection for only .99 (current price at 12/26/2015) is frankly a injustice to Dez. I would honestly recommend this collection to any one that is looking for #1 books in the IR genre, #2 fast-paced hot as \*\*\*\* but still romantic stores and #3 and author how consistently delivers in every story that she publishes and honestly listens to the feedback from her readers.

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### **Melody Green says**

**\*Swoon...sigh.... melt\*\***

Dez Burke is over the top. Several delectable well written stories contained within Tough and Tender. No way to pick a fav as each one painted a vivid picture. I will say probably leaning towards the Steel Infidels if I had to pick. Love Flint Jesse and Sam. Each story touched on something different and you could relate. Trust that there is plenty of steamy alpha maleness that will make your panties wet ladies. Worth the read!!

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### **Lovinghotbooks1 says**

#### **Good entertainment**

The first three books about Steel Infidels motorcycle club was a great read, sweet, rough and exiting. The books are centred around 3 brothers and their relationships. Two of them find love and now I have to read about the third brother because that book was not in there.

SKIN DEEP was a sweet story about a man who hires a actress to play his girlfriend. The story was good and easy to read, and maybe a little cliché but I still enjoyed it. Well worth the read. If I should point to something that I didn't enjoy so much it's that the erotic scenes was described in a way that wasn't fully to my liking. But that's just my opinion.

GENTS 4 LADIES was a fun and exiting book. Tiana hires an escort without knowing that he's not really an escort but a guy that's been pranked. Jordan is curious to way a woman would hire a escort and pretend to be what she wants.

This was a really sweet story with very good described characters and a playful writing style. Tiana and Jordan are so sweet and have such a connection that I felt it with them.

".....all I really wanted to do was place my heart at your feet and plead with you not to walk all over it." The sentence made me swoon, and so did much of this book.

### **TRAPPED INTO MARRIAGE**

Keyonna's boyfriend whom she haven't heard from in a long time while he's been away returns and want her to marry him. He won't take no for an answer so she kisses Nick to prove that she means no. But the kiss leads to so much more.

It was a sweet, fun and hot story and as the other story's it was a great read.

### **CLAIMED BY THE MARINE**

Anna was left by her fiancé right before their wedding and is out with her friends to have a good time when she's meeting Hawk. Not like her usual self she goes home with him and have the night of her life. She assume it's a one-night stand and doesn't know her friends asked Hawk to boost her confidence by showing her a good time. But Hawk wants more.

This was sweet and short and I liked it.

### **CAPTURED BY THE BODYGUARD**

Alexandra's father demands she have a bodyguard and when he hires Cane she is furious, but that soon turns out to more then any of them can handle.

The story was sweet, exiting and full of emotions. The suspense is very presence and maybe to long but still it's a good read.

### **BURNED BY PASSION**

Blake is returning to USA to see his father after 18 years living in England with his mother. He meets his fathers secretary Kira and there is a instant connection.

The story is good and sweet and hot. Some really hot scenes .

### **FORBIDDEN LOVE WITH THE MARINE**

Olivia and Ivan have grown up together and now Olivia have strong feelings for Ivan who is in denial because he's afraid of what her father may think.

The story was a little messy but some hot scenes made up for that. The one thing lacking was they coming clean with her parents, which I thought was essential for the story. But again a entertaining read.

### **CAPTIVATED BY THE SOLDIER**

Makayla comes home from a trip to find a hunk of a man sleeping in her bed. It turns out to be her roommates step brother Blade. He wakes up and think he's seeing an angel. But there's challenges in their future.

Good read and hot scenes.

This author is on my list now for more reads.

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### **Lexi Divan says**

A combination of quite a few books. It's hard to choose which is the best. I think they were all pretty good. I enjoyed them a lot and I hope anyone else who reads it also does as well.

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## **DW says**

I really liked the first three MC books in this bundle. The last three books did not impress me at all.

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## **Mspraise50 says**

I have read all the stories in this box set by Dez Burke as she is one of my favourite authors.

Gents 4 Ladies is my absolute favourite story by this author in this Box Set. This box set is most definitely worth the read and I would highly recommended it.

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## **Michelle Larson says**

### **Good story but lacks depth**

I tried. I really tried to like this series. But I just couldn't get past the unnecessary, derogatory language and the lack of real depth. I liked the good girl, animal-rescuing, veterinarian meets bad boy, public-defender attorney/biker aspect and looked forward to finding out more about Kendra & Flint. After reading the first book, which is really just an introduction, I was looking forward to reading the next book in the series. What a disappointment! The existing characters were never given more depth and new characters are described in such shallow terms you don't know how to feel about them. You're left without a real connection to anyone. Add to that the unnecessary inclusion and overabundance of words like "cunt" and "pussy" to describe what is supposed to be a moment of "intimate" connection and ugh! The distraction is too much. I couldn't finish the second book. I'm disappointed.

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## **Rose says**

This review is from: Tough and Tender (Ten Book Bad Boy Box Set) (Kindle Edition)

I received an ARC of this fabulous box set in exchange for an honest review. Tough & Tender by Author Dez Burke is a box set full of Hot Alpha Sexy Bad Boys, Billionaires, Race Car Drivers and Marines. The stories are great, well written and downright sexy, another winner for author Dez Burke. I loved every single story in this 10 box set but I think my favorite was the Steel Infidels Motorcycle Club Series, love bikers romance books! If you don't have it, go buy it, I will definitely advise you to get it.

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## **Belinda Page says**

### **What a set!**

Dez Burke is a master at her craft. She brings you into her story world and make you feel like you're a part of

the family or a best friend, helping out when needed. Steam is what you get when reading the love scenes and you just don't want to put them down. This box set is worth every penny.

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### **Misty Roule says**

#### **Can an Alpha male be both tough and tender... you'll have to read to find out.**

Wow, just WOW!!! Each and every story will grab a hold of you from the beginning and doesn't let go. This author's writing style is so smooth and fluid that you feel like you're actually experiencing the stories first-hand.

Happy reading : )

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### **Holly Bushee says**

#### **Love it!!!**

Love this book! So many amazing stories in it. Those steel infidels are some seriously hot bikers!! Dez is such an awesome writer my autocorrect keeps changing her name to sex. I mean l, that alone should tell you how hot her books are. I definitely recommend one clicking, either a box set of a single.

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