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As his alter-ego Mister Romance, Max is a drop-dead gorgeous escort who makes romantic fantasies come to life. No sex, just swoon-worthy dates to die for, and the cream of New York's socialites can't get enough. Whether they want a dominating billionaire, bad boy with a heart of gold, hot geek, sexy biker, or best friend who loves them from afar, Max can make it all happen, but he's careful to keep his real identity a secret.

Enter investigative journalist Eden Tate. Having caught wind of the urban legend of Mister Romance from a lovestruck client, Eden is determined to publish a scathing expose on Max and his ability to swindle lonely society women out of their fortunes.

Desperate to protect his anonymity and his clients, Max challenges Eden to give him three dates. If she doesn't fall in love with him, she can run her story with his blessing. If she succumbs to his charms, the story dies.

Cynical Eden has no doubt she can resist his fake romance personas, but when the real Max admits he's falling for her, she has to decide if the professional liar is telling the truth, or if the passionate man with the mysterious past is just one more character designed to con her out of her career-making story.

Don't miss this sizzling new standalone from the internationally best selling author of Bad Romeo, Broken Juliet, and Wicked Heart.

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Karen Mc says

*** *I received an ARC from the author in exchange for an honest review.* ***

The giddy delight I get when I meet a new or new-to-me author's words is HEAVEN! That rush during that initial read is off-the-charts incredible! **I popped my Leisa Rayven cherry with a ROMANCE EXPLOSION called *Mister Romance* and it was PHENOMENAL!!! *Mister Romance* is a burst of smolder and swoon that blazes and burns, melting everywhere!!!**

From the very first page, *Mister Romance* was my DRUG and I could not inhale this tale fast enough. Amusing. Arousing. Angst-filled. Addicting. ***Mister Romance* thoroughly CAPTIVATED me where I was unequivocally CONSUMED by Leisa Rayven's playful and pulse-pounding words!!!**

I began *Mister Romance* in laughs and ended it in swoon-filled tears, so BESOTTED with this book that was my BLISS!!! Leisa Rayven had me at the heartfelt and inspirational dedication that shook my soul!!! A few pages in and I was a GONER, sunk into the spell called *Mister Romance*. I KNEW that this story was five stars, and I'd barely scratched its surface. **I KNEW that I would feel every word pulsating through me until the end, as every word dug deeper into my heart and soul.**

Max Riley, AKA, *Mister Romance* is an enigma, every woman's wet dream. Tall, blond, inked, and muscular, Max is ALL MALE. Just YUM!!! He makes women feel good with words, a boost of confidence for women and a romance fantasy come to life. I LOVED Mister Max Romance!!!

Eden Tate is a no-nonsense investigative journalist who wants to uncover Mister Romance, a needed break for a big story to propel her to journalism greatness. The beautiful red-head thinks love is for losers.

He may think he knows women, but he doesn't know me, and I'm going to take him down, while possibly winning a Pulitzer in the process.

Eden needs a story and Max needs to convince Eden that he's not King Douche. Mister Romance pulls out all the stops, giving Eden the royal client treatment.

"Wait," I say gobsmacked. "You think I'm going to fall in love with you?"

"No. I know it." I'm rendered speechless at his ridiculousness, and that just makes him smile more.

"If you think I'll be easily swayed by your charms, you're going to be disappointed."

I could not get enough of the banter that burned between Max and Eden, so feisty and fire-hot!!!

Eden is a challenge Max can't ignore.

"Make no mistake, Miss Tate, by the time I'm finished with you, you'll have left behind your cynical husk and be a romance junkie like the rest of us."

Commanding and cocky Max is HOT!!!

For Max, it's GAME ON!!!

Except Eden didn't count on Mister Romance romancing her...

"When I'm with you, you're all I see."

Max made me SWOON, his sweet words piercing me like Cupid's arrows. Mister Romance WOODED the hell out of me!!!

He grabs my face with both hands and presses me back into the wall as he captures my lips with his...It's the only time I've ever felt like I was awake and dreaming at the same time."

That KISS...just SIGH!!! Such a perfect and life-altering kiss. That one kiss was EVERYTHING!!! Max and Eden's chemistry is combustible and I felt their fireworks heat the pages!

Mister Romance versus Miss Jaded Pants...heat versus ice...an experiment gone wrong or one that's oh-so-right...Will Max give Eden his secrets of seduction, helping her score the article of a lifetime? Will the jaded Eden fall under the spell of Mister Romance?

"Even if this whole thing goes down in flames, you're already the best bad decision I've ever made."

I read the last third of the book with tears in my eyes, the soul-searing words pulling out every ounce of emotion. **I MELTED—feels aflame—as this story slayed my soul and hit my heart hard!!! *Mister Romance* swept me away to Cloud Nine and I SWOONED the whole time!!!** I didn't expect my heart to be hit so hard by *Mister Romance*. This book made me BREATHLESS, as a RUSH of FEELS flowed through me!!! *Mister Romance* morphed me into Miss Sappy Pants.

This story is sexy and sweet with strong characters that captivate from beginning to end. The writing is fun, feel-filled, and flawless. The plot is perfection. ***Mister Romance* is a TOP 2017 READ!!! I am HOOKED on Rayven romances!!!** This AH-MAZING author now has a fan for life! Excuse me while I slap myself for waiting so long to meet a Leisa Rayven romance!!!

Wonderfully witty, passionately poignant, laugh-out-funny, and heart-stopping sexy, *Mister Romance* delivers the ULTIMATE FANTASY!!! This story SEDUCED ME, as *Mister Romance* held me under its (and his) spell...PERFECT in every way. ***Mister Romance* romanced every ounce of me.** I ABSOLUTELY LOVED this dreamy read!!! I NEED MORE of this romantic fantasy in words NOW!!! **So brilliant and bright, *Mister Romance* is a GEM...UTTERLY UNPUTDOWNABLE!!!**

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Christie«SHBBblogger» says

[Yes (hide spoiler)]

Christy says

4 stars!!

Mister Romance is a fun and sexy read that will keep you on the edge of your seat. I know I spent a lot of the beginning of the book guessing... Seriously, I did love how this one really kept me wondering! ??

Eden is an investigative journalist who's talents have been wasted at a dead end job. She wants to use her

talents to get ahead, so she decides to go after a story about an elusive man known as Mister Romance. MR is an escort who makes a ton of money taking women on dates. No sex, just dates. The dates make them feel romance, make them feel worthy, and he'll do whatever scenario/character they need to make that happen. Mister Romance's hidden identity is important to him. It's completely conducive to his business that he stays anonymous. When Eden finally finds out who he is, she's given a choice. He'll give her an exclusive interview IF and only if she doesn't fall in love with him after he takes her on three dates.

"We've all been hurt. We're all broken in places. But romance gives us a way to forget about that for a while and believe that fairytales can come true."

Eden thinks she has it made in the shade. I mean, this girl does NOT fall in love, so not falling for MR should be no problem at all, right? But even she cannot resist his charms at times. As you could see them both falling for one another you had to wonder... is it real on MR's end? Is Eden going to make her feelings known or keep them hidden? How is this going to end well?

"Everything is ordinary until someone loves it, then it transforms. Suddenly it's beautiful. Incredible. Priceless. Everyone deserves to feel priceless at least once in their lives."

Eden is a fabulous heroine. She's been hurt before and she's standoffish at times, but she's strong and she learns to open up. It's hard not to fall in love with Max Riley. Even moments where he frustrated me, I still adored this man.

??*Mister Romance* is an interesting and captivating spin on the normal escort tale. I loved it's originality. It wasn't high angst in my opinion, but it had just enough to keep you intrigued. Though there was something towards the end that bothered me a bit personally, I think most people won't be effected by it. I love Leisa Rayven's writing and highly recommend this one if you're looking for a sexy and fun read!

"Everything else in my life is optional, except you. You're essential."

Ramona says

I loved Leisa Rayven's Bad Romeo and Broken Juliet and I really thought that this series was going to be as awesome as the previous ones..

Well, disappointments can happened and unfortunately this was one of them.. I wanted something completely else and just kept on reading hoping that certain things and connections will be made, but they didn't appear so I ended up giving this book 3 stars.

So sum up in a few words the book's plot, we have Eden, a bored journalist who feels that her full potential can't be reached by writing the articles she writes. She is looking for something BIG, something to make her

visible and to explore the things that she learnt while becoming a journalist. She finds about MISTER ROMANCE and his story. A very handsome and charming man, who supposedly offers every woman what they want, makes all their fantasies come to life. Once hearing this, she is determined to learn his story and to uncover his business, by exposing everything and turning it into a breakthrough article. So, the chase begins..

She has to find Mister Romance, make him answer her questions and in the mean time get to the bottom of this. Max is the person she is looking for and after some very confusing events, they meet and a certain connection happens between them. Max is determined to show Eden that she can fall in love with him and despite everything she believes, he is helping women become better, to love themselves more and to cherish what they have. Eden is a very stubborn person and Max will have a very hard job in doing so.

As I was saying, I didn't enjoy the characters. Well, to put it mildly, I didn't enjoy Max and loathed Eden. Eden was very hard to digest for me. She was judgemental, cold, overreacted at a bunch of stuff and had daddy issues. All these things were against Max, and she used all her weapons at full potential. She refused to listen to her heart, made so many bad assumptions and I wanted to strangle her kind in every chapter.

Luckily for her, Max was more OK, but not in the opposite direction, because I couldn't understand him either. Running this Mister Romance thing made him take up certain personalities, roles that at a certain point made me lose MAX as a person and I just couldn't identify him as a hero or portray something that was him 100%.

Yes, he made some mistakes in the past and wanted to redeem himself with this Mister Romance business that helped women feel cherished, loved and better about their emotions. I appreciated the change he made in his life, but I was not feeling him. Not to mention that I don't know where all the patience came from when dealing with Eden..

If you ask me, I wouldn't want Eden to end up with him, that annoying was she. I just couldn't put my finger on a certain page and just say that there they fell in love. Everything was like in a daze, hot cold, every time in between...

So, letting aside my frustration, Mister Romance was not my dreamy read.. It lacked that vibe and anticipation, got boring on some chapters and the characters were....special:) The thing I enjoyed was the message that this book passed on and with Max managed to inspire me as well, to feel better in my own skin, to love myself as a whole and to never put myself second in place for anyone.

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Maria♦*Steamy Reads Blog*♦ says

➡ Ahhh, Mr. Romance, you've been capturing hearts of so many readers lately! And it's understandable. What's not to love? A sex on a stick mysterious gentleman romancing some high profile bored housewives... He can be a fireman, he can be a rock star, he can be.. actually, if you are familiar with this Dr. Seuss book

➡Yeah, all of that he can be. For the right price of course. And he will give you romance, but NO MONKEY BUSINESS! Time to break those piggy banks, ladies!

➡So what are the chances that a reporter who threatens to expose him and his clients will be the woman to tame his heart?

➡I don't want to give much away, I suggest you just go in blind. All you need to know is that it's a very fun read full of anticipation and slow burn. If you're patient and enjoy that type of deliciousness then you should definitely consider giving this one a shot!

☆ Bianca ☆ BJ's Book Blog ☆ says

Eden is working in her dream job as a journalist. Only it's not her dream job writing stupid click-bait articles for her idiot boss. She wants to write important things!

Her boss is *this* close to firing her, when something her sister Asha said sparks an idea.

There's supposedly a guy in NYC working as some kind of escort, swindling the female social elite out of their 'hard-earned' money. People call him Mister Romance, because he fulfills romantic fantasies. And Eden wants to write about this guy! How can one single guy have all of Manhattan go crazy about him, without even offering sex???? And how can she get close to him, when one has to fill out a 12-page questionnaire and pay 5k for one date????

But of course our Mister Romance is already a few steps ahead of Eden..... ???

WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO EDEN & MAX?

WILL WE GET A HAPPILY EVER AFTER??

READ THE BOOK TO FIND OUT ?

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After reading the blurb, I was sooo beyond happy that this wasn't one of those clichéd stories about a journalist writing an exposé article about the book's hero. You know the ones I mean? She'll write a mean article and keeps it all a secret and then he finds out, they fight and break up and bla bla bla. Nope! It was done sooo much better here. Max knows right from the start who Eden is. She didn't tell him, of course, she wanted to do it all in secret, but not with our Max! ??? LOL! I just loved that.

I basically loved every little thing about this book.

Eden is your typical cynical, non-romantic girl. She only has one-night stands. Doesn't believe in, aka, is scared of, love and marriage. The total opposite of her adorable little sister Asha! I hope we'll get to hear her story too one day!

And Max.

I LOVED HIM!

He's so mysterious and interesting and sweet and kind and hot and ...

We don't really know if he's the most talented actor in the world, or if he's a bit of a schizophrenic, multi-personality-disorder-sufferer. But we love him. He knows his business! The man is worth every cent those ladies pay him - and they don't even get any sex!!!!

I fell in love with all sides of Max. I want to live in a ménage à Max fantasy world! ?

Of course there's a lot of mystery surrounding our darling Max.

Where did he come from? What about his family? What about his past? Did he go to college to learn a real job? How did he get started as an elite escort? Is everything he does legal?

So many questions. And so many hopes for our adorable Eden we hope all through the book that she'll get her happily ever after with Max. Even though she doesn't believe in such things. But Max is showing her what could be.

♥ Just perfect ♥

MISTER ROMANCE was the most amazing & beautiful & funny & heartwarming lovestory! I don't have any words to describe why it's worth reading ... just run to your nearest amazon for your own Mister Romance (this one is MINE!) - you won't regret it!

If I had to name some tiny little things that bothered me? Maybe the overuse of the word AS. People who know me, or rather, know my Sawyer Bennett reviews, know that I have a huge AS problem. With Sawyer it's those AS's that could and should be exchanged by a since or a because. With Leisa it's the AS that could and should be exchanged for a while or when or a differently built sentence. In Leisa's case, she uses it because she's from Australia. And I don't really know why I hate that word so much. I don't hate it in its normal use like ... AS GOOD AS IT GETS. But as soon as an author uses it in other scenarios, I start to hate. And I'm sorry for that. I hate myself for it too. Because I have no idea why I hate it so much. But I do. It will NOT bother other readers, just me, so please forget what I just said. You won't even notice it! Well, maybe you will now, but usually I'm the only weird person who does.

Another thing... I missed the sexiness a bit. I don't know why, but I expected something sexier. We have this

mega-sparkage and romance all through the book - and I loved that. But the real sexiness is missing a bit. Which doesn't make the book bad in any way - I still **LOOOVED** it. Just thought I should mention it!

Now I can't wait for the second book in this amazing series!!!!

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1-Click Addict Support Group says

A sexy escort to fulfill my dreams, heck yes, put my name down!!

Needing to come up with a new story Eden goes in search of Mister Romance himself to be write a juicy story on him.

Max needing to protect his identity at all cost asks Eden to give him a chance. If she doesn't fall for him then she can publish his story but if she does she will not publish it.

The banter between them at first is eh, but the more time they spend together the more sparks start shooting out.

Eden's stubbornness had me cringing a couple of times because I kept thinking for sure that she was going to mess up her chance with Max. But Max doesn't give up on her slowly breaking down those walls she's built around her heart.

I will say that the last couple of chapters had me cringing and having panic attacks because I wasn't sure if they were going to survive. Another amazing story from Ms Rayven and am looking forward to what's next from her. Kara~4.5 Stars

Dilek VT says

“We live in a world of flawed men. There’s no shame in letting ourselves believe in a perfect one for a while.”

Our hero in Mr. Romance is an irresistibly handsome and hot **escort** who makes the romantic fantasies of unhappy women come to life.

Max doesn't sleep with his clients, it is all about one or more swoon-worthy dates, role playing either an alpha billionaire, or a bad boy with tattoos, or a hot rock star etc...

You just name it and Max makes even the better version of it happen.

When our heroine, Eden, who is a journalist, starts to investigate him, Max is desperate to protect his anonymity and his clients. His clients are all elite, rich and famous.

However, Eden is a woman who doesn't believe in love, romance, fairy tales or happy endings so she is determined to publish a scandalous expose on Max, believing that he swindles lonely society women out of their fortunes.

At the beginning of the book, there is a good mystery about who Max is and how and why he does what he does and I liked it.

However, when all his secrets were revealed, I had a hard time to understand and accept his reasoning. If you ask me, he could have been a successful musician, earning as much money with that music skills and education of him, instead of choosing this way. The thing he does to earn money and his reasoning sounds a little bit unrealistic and OTT to me.

This is a book hard to rate because I enjoyed some parts of it immensely but as I tried to explain, it did disappoint me on some levels.

Writing:

The tone of writing is good, there is humor in most inner monologues and dialogues. Expression of feelings is also successful.

I have disdain for women who fall apart over men. Surely they're not stupid. They've heard the songs and seen the movies. If you buy a ticket on the Love Express, it comes with compulsory stops at Painville, The Isle of Co-Dependence, and Betrayal Central, so why get onboard in the first place?

"Don't look a gift horse in the mouth. Opportunity is not a lengthy visitor. Fortune favors the brave. Big risks lead to big rewards."

"Do you want to inform me why you suddenly turned into a talking fortune cookie?"

"Everything else in my life is optional, except you. You're essential."

He once told me that you could live and die within the lifetime of a good kiss, and that's what this feels like.

Also, **the sexual tension** built all through the chapters is incredible.

However, the sexual tension stays unresolved for the majority of the book and it starts to annoy after a while, the two of them being so stubborn and all.

Eden is so afraid of feelings and relationships that she only does hook-ups and one-night-stands.

When they start to fall for each other, Max insists on a real relationship with feelings and all but she denies it, saying there could only be sex between them. Max refuses to give it for a long while, saying he is in for all or none.

Ergo, **one of the slowest burns of all!**

It is kind of dragging and annoying at the same time :(

So, when do they surrender?

Well, even the first kiss comes after 50% and for the ones who wonder, the first nookie only comes on page 263 of the book, which is indeed 315 pages. So just 50 pages before it finishes!

And was it worth the wait and was the sexual tension built successfully so far released in the same strong and powerful way?

Well, if you ask me, it was “meh”... not bad, not epic!

So to cut it short, it is just a book which both entertained and annoyed me!

Aestas Book Blog says

::: FULL REVIEW NOW POSTED :::

HOLY FREAKING SQUEEEEEEEEEEE!!! I fell in love with this book from the moment I started reading it and I couldn't put it down until I reached the very last page!! It was the absolute perfect balance between sexy, steamy romance, laugh-out-loud humor, deep emotions, and deliciously intense angst!! True to Leisa Rayven's signature style, this book was well-written, addictive, intriguing, and utterly UNPUTDOWNABLE!! This is definitely a top recommendation for every romance reader!

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Max was the absolute, ultimate book boyfriend!! He was beyond dreamy and swoon-worthy with just enough of a tortured side to pull your heart strings! Trust me when I say that he will make you fall head over heels in love with him! I especially loved all the mystery surrounding his character. Nobody knew anything about the real 'man behind the fantasy curtain' and I was incredibly curious to find out more about him! He was a man of secrets who was equally elusive and heart-stoppingly charming! And the more I learned about him, the more I loved his character.

"So what you're telling me," I say, as I pour two cups of fresh Joe, "is that this mythical man-beast [is] some kind of... what? Superhero gigolo?"

"He's an escort," Asha clarifies.

"Isn't that just a fancy label for man-whore?"

"No. He doesn't have sex with his clients."

I pass her a tip of coffee. "You just told me he did."

"No," she says... "I said he makes their romantic fantasies come to life."

"And that doesn't include sex."

"No."

And Eden was such a strong, sassy heroine! She felt very real and was the ultimate skeptic and romance cynic. She had guts and no fear about going toe-to-toe with anyone. I loved the way she unapologetically went after what she wanted. But she was also a firm non-believer in the concept of love or happily ever afters. Based on her years of dating, she was convinced that the fairytale passion and devotion being sold by movies and books was pure myth.

"You're telling me that women hire a man to make their romantic fantasies come to life? Come on. There's no way that's a thing."

So when she finally tracked Max down, and he made his proposal to allow him three dates to make her fall in love with him, she had no really concern about taking him up on it because she genuinely believed that there wasn't even a snowball's chance in hell that she would ever actually fall in love with him (or anyone else for that matter).

“Miss Tate, if you don’t stop and listen for five seconds, I’m going to kiss the hell out of you in front of your gran then drop to one knee and propose. If you think she’s obsessed with marrying you off now, imagine what she’d be like after that.”
He’s so close it takes me a second to get used to the heat of his proximity. “You wouldn’t.”
“Kept talking and find out.”

To be honest, when the story first began, I shared a bit of her skepticism as well. Don't get me wrong, I'm a firm believer in love. But I'm a little less sold on the idea of simulating it. But the more Max revealed about his services, the more I understood where he (and his clients) were coming from. I was fascinated by it. I mean, professional escort or no, it takes unholy levels of confidence to stake your career on the fact that someone will fall in love with you in three dates.

“And you went on your whole anti-love, fuck-relationships rant, and he still said he’s going to win you over? Was he drunk?”
“He actually said he’s going to make me fall in love with him.”

As their first date approached, her skepticism held strong. But the more she began to uncover about him, the more she began to understand the appeal and the deeper her intrigue grew about the real man behind the fantasy.

Surely he hasn’t learned all of this just for his business. It seems too natural. In fact, if someone told me that Caleb is his real personality and Max is the fake one, I’d believe them. His acting is impeccable.

And as she spent more and more time with him, she discovered so many different sides to his personality through the characters he showed her that it became hard -- especially for such an untrusting person such as herself -- to be certain who the real Max was. Each personality seemed so believable that if she'd been told that they were he real him, she'd have believed it. So even if she did fall for him, who exactly was she falling in love with?

“Do you want me to kiss you, Miss Tate?”
God, yes.
And God, no.
There’s no easy answer to this question. Kissing him would be wonderful and terrible. It would be like claiming a lion as a pet and counting down the days until it mauled me.

*"It's not a hard question," he says. "Either you want me to or you don't."
"Is this your way of seducing me into dropping my story?"
His nose brushes mine, and I shiver as I grip the front of his shirt.
"That's one explanation. A cynical one, of course, but I've come to expect that from you.
Maybe I want to kiss you. Find out how your lips taste."*

GAH. I really can't express enough how much I loved this book! It was exactly the kind of romance novel I crave reading! It had so many delightfully witty and hilarious scenes, oodles of sexiness and heat as Max and Eden's connection and relationship deepened, but I especially loved that there was a deeper side to this story too that actually gave a really beautiful and honest perspective on the true meaning of *romance* (not love or sex, but actually romance itself). It really makes you think about the differences between those different elements. Not to mention that Max's real backstory was quite sobering and heart-breaking giving the story the perfect emotional balance.

*"It's ironic," he says as we sway to the music. "So many women hold me up as the paragon of a perfect man, and they couldn't be more wrong. If only they knew the truth."
... "What truth are you talking about?"
He pulls me closer. "Can we just dance? I'd like a little more time before you look at me like I'm a piece of shit."*

As their relationship progressed, things got HOT HOT HOT!!! I have to admit I've always found that there's something about sexual restraint that can be a thousand times sexier than actual sex and with Max's strict rule of no sex with clients, and with the fact during the beginning of their interactions, she was being treated as his clients in order to allow him the three dates to fall in love with him, the sexual tension between them was INTENSE!

*"Uh... what's happening?"
"I'm taking off my shirt."
"Why?"
"Because we've apparently reached the portion of the evening where we get semi-naked to torture the other person."
He pulls off his shirt and throws in onto the stool with his jacket, and I'll admit it, I gape... I've seen glimpses of his naked torso before now, but never the whole thing. And here he is, standing there wearing only his slim-cut dinner pants and a pissed-off expression, and I can't remember a single reason why I haven't licked him yet.*

MY HEART WAS RACING as the story hurtled towards the finish line. There are some angsty challenges they faced together as a natural side effect of their professions and watching them work through these things kept me glued to the page. I couldn't put it down, didn't want to stop reading, and eagerly devoured every single word.

“Have you ever felt true joy, Eden?”

I have to think about it for a few seconds. I’ve spent so long dulling my pain, joy kind of got lost in the mix. “I don’t think so. Or at least if I have, I don’t remember.”

“Me, neither. I’ve found a lot of ways to simulate it over the years, but that’s like renting a fancy car for the day and pretending you’re a millionaire. It’s self-delusion... But standing here, holding you... this feels like the real deal.”

Actually, you know what? This book would make a fantastic movie! It had all the right elements and just continued to throw you in all these unique scenarios. I would love to see it come to life on screen! *prays to movie gods*

Leisa Rayven is one of those authors whose books I always automatically want to read simply because she wrote them. I love her writing style, I love the uniqueness of her story ideas, and I love the way her books always make my heart race. She truly delivers the ultimate romance reading experience. A romance reader's dream come true!

If you're looking for a SEXY, ANGSTY, ADDICTIVE ROMANCE with a swoony hero, a strong heroine, and absolutely wonderful writing, then this is a must-read! Trust me, Max Riley is a book boyfriend you want to meet!

Rating: 4.5+ STARS!! Contemporary Adult Romance. Can standalone.

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Nicholas~Hayes~Simon~Gianluca & Archer says**

*******FIVE+++++++STARS*******

{ARC Generously Provided by Author}

It’s everything I knew kissing him would be, and right now, even my fear isn’t enough to drag me off him. It’s the only time I’ve ever felt like I was awake and dreaming at the same time.

We kiss each other like we’re afraid to stop. Like the world could come crashing down in a fiery

apocalypse around us, and neither of us would notice.

OUTSTANDING!!!!

I am officially in love with Leisa Rayven. Again, she has written a story that had me floating so high with feelings of euphoria. I was completely consumed by this book and had those butterflies in my stomach for yet another beautiful and swoon-worthy Hero, well actually Heroes, that Leisa created for **MISTER ROMANCE**. Max Riley is one of the most charismatic book boyfriends that I won't soon forget and I guarantee you that he is going to win the heart of many a reader! This story was just in the simplest of terms - **SUPERB!!**

Eden Tate is a young woman who has a job she loathes, working for an online publication. She is looking to get her break to get her own byline and her sister has come across some information that could end up being just the story she needs to catapult her career. There's a rumor circulating amongst the wealthiest of socialites in NYC of a highly in demand Escort who can make a woman's deepest fantasies come to life.

This man is physically beyond perfection and he is a masterful chameleon as well. He can be any type of fantasy man a woman needs him to be. But he doesn't engage in sex with any of his clients. His skills are strictly in the art of seduction and he has the innate ability to make a woman feel special and truly adored. Eden is not a believer in fairy tales or love and is looking to expose this Mister Romance for the phony he truly is. At first, it seems to be an almost impossible feat to find out the identity of this elusive man but with the help of a cyber genius, she is able to make contact. From then on, the story takes you on a wonderful and exhilarating ride!

Max is intrigued by Eden. She is so different from any woman he's ever met before. Her cynicism and tough as nails attitude calls to him somehow. She is a mystery that he wants to uncover almost as much as Eden wants to get his inside story. He agrees to give Eden the interview and information she needs to write her story but only if she will go on several dates with him to get the full "*Mister Romance*" experience. At the end of their time together, if she develops true feelings for him, she has to promise not to write the article on him.

Max becomes several different characters with Eden and each one is simply impossible not to fall in love with. Each scenario is so well thought out and masterfully executed that they genuinely feel like real experiences for Eden. And as time goes on Eden's skepticism and closed off heart are caving in for Max. I can tell you I was nearly dying from the anticipation for these two to finally give in to their deep attraction to each other, and once it happened, oh what a true feeling of relief it was!

As Max and Eden try to navigate through their newfound emotions they feel for each other there are other bigger obstacles they still have to overcome that could jeopardize everything.

I can't wait for this book to go live so that you all can read it! I'm actually a bit jealous of those who will get to experience this story for the first time-- you have such an incredible story awaiting you. This is one book that I plan on re-reading many times over.

MISTER ROMANCE is currently available! You will definitely want to one-click!

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Astrid - The Bookish Sweet Tooth says

Review @ Vanilla & Spice Books

☆☆☆ 5 Stars ☆☆☆

I feel like the quality of this year's books is especially high. I haven't had so many 4 and 5 stars ever and right now I'm on a roll. Mr. Romance totally took me by surprise in the most perfect way. Ms. Rayven is a new-to-me-author and we all know what it feels like when we read stories of authors we haven't tried before. There is the giddy excitement on one hand and the inexplicable dread that you will hate it on the other one. This one? Perfection. Let me explain.

Eden Tate is an investigative journalist but what she does at work is creating inane click-bait articles. Not unexpectedly her current job is less than fulfilling. When she hears through the grapevine that there is a male escort in New York City servicing the rich female socialites it has exploit written all over it. Eden senses that this could be her breakthrough to become what she has been trained for. Her attempts to be accepted as a client by the elusive Mister Romance, in order to investigate him, fail - he is a smart man and his clientele is being thoroughly vetted.

When Max finds the journalist at his warehouse he tells her in no uncertain terms that she isn't welcome, now or anytime soon. When Eden explains the facts, that she can write a story with his involvement or without, thus reporting based on her findings and rumors rather than the truth, he relents. He will give her full disclosure if Edie agrees to go on three dates with him, giving him the chance to show her that his work helps and empowers the neglected wives of the rich and the bold.

He sets up all these amazing scenarios. You know the tropes: damaged billionaire, sexy bad boy, devoted best friend, hottie contractor. He has this whole range of characters that don't usually exist outside of romance novels, and the word is he blows his clients' minds.

First of all I would like to give kudos to this author for creating a complicated heroine which I usually have problems to find likable. Not only did I like Eden, I loved her.

Eden prefers one-night-stands to relationships. In fact, even the word relationship might give her hives. Her issues are real and plausible, I can understand her cynical approach to relationships. There is a huge distrust of men, she can't let them in because they are bound to hurt her. It takes a long time for Eden to come around but for several reasons I was OK with it this time.

***This is what loving gets you. This expanding world of pain. Because no one stays forever.
They all leave in the end***

One of the reasons being Max' many faces. While it is strictly professional in the beginning for her to find the real Max Riley it gets personal when she starts falling for him. It is impossible for her to know if she is talking to the real Max or to one of his many personas which makes it extremely hard for her to let her walls down. I loved this girl hard and the relationship Eden had with her sister and grandmother. Their conversations were hilarious and so full of love for one another. Eden is endearing, driven, caring, stubborn - in her pursuit of the truth she is like a dog with a bone - and smart as a whip.

Being alone for too long isn't healthy. Loneliness is like a big, empty room inside you that echoes with all the sounds of the life you're not living. So you fill it with stuff--work, friends, pets--and over the years it becomes bearable, then comfortable. And after many years it's so safe and warm, it becomes the new normal. And the worst part is, it's so full of fake comforts, there's no room for anyone else.

Max takes pride in his profession - the reasons why he does and why he claims he is helping the women he escorts, are selfless. I loved how this all played out. In the beginning Max is controlled and follows his self imposed rules to a Tee. But Eden rattles him just as much as he shakes her and soon he says "to hell with the rules, I'm going for the unknown."

Max has elaborate knowledge of the female mind and can read people very well. It's this knowledge that helps him to convince Eden that he is the real deal. He is incredibly patient with her, despite some understandable frustration. I adored Max, every single one of his faces was delicious but it's the combination of them all that makes him so utterly endearing, hot and fascinating. His chivalrous manners made me swoon.

Witty banter is my crack and in this book it's a thing of beauty.

"Will you play something for me?"

He smiles. "I have a better idea. You play something."

"I doubt your ego could withstand my epic rendition of Chopsticks. It's twelve minutes long, and I perform part of it with my nose. You'd be shamed beyond belief and never play again."

He chuckles. "Maybe you should play something less impressive."

I was giggling from beginning to end and while this book has a whooping 450+ pages it didn't feel long at all. The writing style is very pleasing, the story line engaging. This story is also a super-slow burn and while

nothing is happening until around the 75% mark it certainly doesn't lack sexual tension and chemistry. The sexy times are one hell of a reward for all the build-up.

I am so happy that I took the chance on Max and Eden. These two have been on my mind since closing the book. Now I hope for lots of more stories in this series and I hope we get to see Toby's and Asha's Happily Ever After. Please consider giving this a try, you'd seriously miss out if you didn't.

“Everything else in my life is optional, except you. You’re essential.”

Wendy's Thoughts says

4.5 Cynic vs Romantic Stars

*** * * * 1/2 Spoiler Free**

I had plans for today. I had serious plans and they needed to get done in a timely manner. But did they get done...No, they did not...and the reason is this damn book!

Yup, from the first part to the end...I just could not stop reading it...

I would set an alarm...

Then push the alarm to another hour...

And finally caved in...decided I was going to finish it and then do what needed to be done.

So now I am doing the review so I can get on with my life.

Mister Romance is the type of book that captures your mind and heart. The set up is Cynic vs Romantic, pure and simple... but the underlying reasons for why the people are the way they are... that's very complex.

Both of the main characters have been traumatized. The similarities are astounding when you stop and analyze it...and how each of them survived and then went forward with certain concepts of what life was all about is telling.

This book will lead you on a journey worth the time and space. It has numerous characters which are important to both characters and round out the tale. The blurb lays it all out so by reading it... you are armed and ready to go.

Just don't pick a day when you have things to do....because they will not get done in a timely manner...

A gifted copy was provided by author/publisher for an honest review.

Bindi Boo says

5 sweet, sexy stars

Much as the blurb says, Eden Tate sets upon getting an interview with Mister Romance, a man that makes your fantasy come true. (All romantically with NO sex- for those with limits) He makes them swoon, sigh with lust and brings them out on the best dates possible. Eden being the cynic that she is wants to know what makes intelligent, strong women like her suspend their beliefs to fall for this man's gimmick. Little does she know, she soon becomes said swoony, lusty, romantic lady.

My gosh, this author.. her writing is beyond amazing. Its like she's sitting in my head and writing out all those little pesky thoughts we generally have about love and romance. I had my own disbelief and was obviously cynical with Mister Romance's philosophies but boy did i fall hook,line and sinker. That first 24% was just unbelievably hot and sexy. And then the real story starts..

The hero is sexy, smart and just the most sweetest thing to ever happen to Eden. I loved it that it was him who made her believe in love. I loved that he taught her it was ok to rely on someone else at times.

Eden and the hero have some sad past but i like how they overcame it with so much strength. There were a few moments i thought this guy just went above and beyond for his dates and had to suspend my logic, but it worked... isn't that what love makes you do? The last 5% of this book took my breath away and i just knew the hero in this book may become just one of my favourites.

Love this book Leisa and as always, i love your writing. You have reaffirmed that love will heal everything and anything.

Nissa | Of Pens and Pages Book Blog says

4 stars!

Review and Quiz at Of Pens and Pages.

The lovely Angy from Collector of Book Boyfriends and I collaborated to make a fun Buzzfeed Quiz! Find out your Mister Romance fantasy here!

If this Mister Romance business was legit (maybe it is and I'm just not cool enough to know) and I paid for his service, I would have been ruined for all men forever.

Eden Tate is desperate to move up from writing click bait and puff piece articles to writing the serious stuff. When she hears about a juicy rumor involving society ladies and a man called Mister Romance, she snoops around to get a scoop.

Rumor has it, society women are paying a hefty amount to make their dreams and desires come true—five thousand dollars for a date with a man they called Mister Romance. Not everyone can acquire his services, only the lucky few who received a referral.

Through snooping, Eden finds a lead and goes undercover to find out more about who this Mister Romance really is. Thing is, Max Riley, the man behind Mister Romance, is a step ahead of her and turns her down. Eden is persistent and with TK, **Max agrees with her request for a tell-all... for one condition. She has to go on three dates with him. If he can convince her that what he's doing isn't bad, she must drop the article.**

The pacing was lovely (HELLO, SLOW BURN), and the dates more so. It was romantic, swoon-worthy, and hot as hell. I've never read anything like this book before, and I don't think anything will be like it again.

I fell for Max more and more each date and have gone to the point of no return after the dates.

Seriously. I love that man. For someone who fulfills women's fantasies for a living, he's in touch with reality. He's aware that some of the fantasies aren't exactly healthy (like when a guy immediately resorts to violence when he's jealous), so he tries his best to portray roles that can still make his clients feel beautiful and loved without romanticizing anything toxic.

Although some of the things Eden did bothered me (her ways to get information couldn't exactly be called ethical), **I admired her for her resilience and passion.** Cynical to the core, she couldn't see any good in what Max was doing. It was heartwarming to see her open up and lose her guard.

Mister Romance is the first standalone in the Masters of Love series and is **told in the female POV.** This book was funny, surprising, sweet, and was so much more than I expected.

**ARC received in exchange for an honest review.*

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Rachel Reads Ravenously says

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4.5 stars!

Eden is on her last leg at her job at Pulse magazine when she gets wind of a man named Mister Romance, a high paid escort who gives women the most romantic night of their dreams, without sex. Intrigued, Eden makes it her mission to find out who this mystery man is. When she does find him, he wants to make her a

deal: if he can make her fall in love with him in three dates, Eden drops the story. If not, she gets full exclusive.

Eden:

Ever since I picked up Bad Romeo three years, I knew Leisa Rayven was one of those authors, the one where I love every single one of her books. Mister Romance is a book I fell in love with right from the beginning, with original strong characters readers can relate to, and a romance that had me holding my breath at times and swooning a bit. And I don't friggin swoon.

The book is a little bit slow to start but really picks up at that 20% mark. I loved Eden as the main character, she was tenacious and driven, but at the same time had empathy and integrity. Max was a bit harder to pin down, but ultimately I loved him by the end of the book and was rooting so hard for him and Eden. This book is a bit sweeter and less angsty than I prefer, my reading tastes lean toward angsty and emotional, but I loved it.

I truly believe that so many readers will love this story. In a time when it's hard to find a book with an original idea, Ravyen delivers a unique and fascinating romance that I know I will be rereading in the future!

ARC kindly provided by author in exchange for an honest review

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