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The War Was Over...

But, embittered by the conflict, Shannon McCahy and Malachi Slater still fought a raging battle of wills all their own. A Yankee whose only solace was the land she had struggled to save. Shannon hated the hot-tempered Malachi, a Rebel on the run who stood for all she had come to despise.

Yet as jayhawkers and bushwhackers descended upon the lawless Missouri border, the two joined forces in a desperate search for their endangered loved ones. They clashed relentlessly, but as time ran out they were forced to realize there was something between them far stronger than hatred . . .

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## Regan Walker says

Good Love Story from the Missouri-Kansas Border Just After the Civil War

This is the second in Graham's trilogy set about the three Slater brothers who fought for the South. The first two stories are set on the Missouri-Kansas border during the Civil War and just after: DARK STRANGER (Cole), RIDES A HERO (Malachi). The third, APACHE SUMMER (Jamie) is set in 1870 in Texas.

In this second book, it's 1865 and the war is over, but jayhawkers and bushwhackers still tear apart the Missouri-Kansas border. And one gang of bushwhackers is out for revenge on Cole Slater. Meanwhile, his brother, Malachi Slater and Shannon McCahy, who we met in book one, are still having their own private war, that is until the day they discover all that scraping hides an attraction neither can deny—sexy Southern gentleman meets beautiful feisty Yankee sympathizer, oh yes!

Just like book one, this novel held my interest and gave me a feeling for the tensions of the North and South, in this case even after the war was officially over. Though Lincoln wanted a healing peace for the nation, it was not to be. Graham writes well and tells a good story. It's a great follow on to book one and I recommend it!

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## Aldy says

No se compara con otros libros que tiene la autora (especialmente los que tiene escritos sobre la guerra civil en EEUU) pero es bastante bueno, creo que ya lo había leído hace 1 año pero se me habrá pasado anotarlo acá.

Hubiera estado bueno que en vez de incluir a Matthew (el hermano de ella) e Iris (la protistuta amiga de ellos) como pareja en el epílogo hubiesen tenido su propio libro.

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## BJ Rose says

This was OK, but I liked Dark Stranger better, and Apache Summer looks much better in comparison. I was constantly torn between wondering whether Shannon was brave but impulsive, or just (too stupid to live. She put herself in danger several times, she put her sister in danger, she put Malachi in danger, she put Iris in danger - need I go on?! If she had learned from her behavior, I'd go with brave but impulsive, but she obviously didn't, so I have to lean toward TSTL.

Other than that, this series was a chilling look at the Kansas/Missouri conflict during Civil War times, the guerilla warfare that existed between jayhawkers & bushwhackers, and the lawlessness that came with it.

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## Mar says

Malachi Slater is a hero for the ages..... Shannon truly began as a brat. But, she's a brat with a heart. Having read the book prior to Rides a hero I did not expect Malachai and Shannon to have such a passionate story. Boy, this is the best of the trilogy.

From start to finish it's just unbelievably well written. The thin line between love and hate was very well dealt with in this book. Neither our hero or heroine ever really stood a chance! They were bound to fall head over heels despite the obstacles.... :)

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## Desi says

Leído en Dic 2010

Los pocos libros que he leído que transcurren en esta época me han gustado y este no es la excepción... estuvo muy bueno la trama y como se conectan los personajes.

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## Jody says

This is Book #2 in the "Summer Fires" trilogy. In my opinion, this is the best of the trilogy. Shannon MaCahy has always hated Malachi Slater. Her sister, Kirstin, is married to his brother, Cole. He's always treated her with contempt, calling her a brat, teasing her, frustrating her to no end. While Cole is busy with ending the war, Malachi rides in just in time to find that Kristin has been kidnapped by an old Slater enemy. He determined to find his sister-in-law and bring her back to her husband and baby boy. Shannon insists on going with him, but he ties her up so she won't follow. Shannon of course, gets free and follows him, starting a whole new heap of trouble for herself and Malachi, ends up being kidnapped herself. Malachi irritated with her childish behavior, thinks she deserves what she gets for not listening to him, but nevertheless, he abandons his search for Kristin to find Shannon. Again, this is the best of the trilogy.

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## Vero Rinconin says

#RitaGraham #RetoRita2

Me gustó mucho más que el primero, pero claro Malichi y Shannon son unos personajes que me conquistaron en el primero. Son dos personas de fuerte carácter que chocan constantemente y se tiran pullas siempre que pueden pero en el fondo se adoran aunque ambos tardan en reconocerlo.

Malichi es un gran héroe que se pasa el libro entretenido rescatando a Shannon y discutiendo con ella, debatiéndose entre besarla o estrangularla XDD

Es un libro entretenido y no dejan de suceder cosas primero el secuestro de una de la otra, un rescate, otro, luego vuelta a empezar y juicio...

He echado de menos una historia del hermano de Kristin y Shannon, Matthew.

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## **Ladygiodesi says**

Nulla di che: la bella scrittura viene compensata da una protagonita femminile per me insopportabile.

Nota:

è il secondo titolo di una trilogia chiamata "Slater's Summer Fires Series". I titoli originali sono:

1. Dark Stranger (1993)
  2. Rides a Hero (1989)
  3. Apache Summer (1989)
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## **Adriana Fogaça says**

Irmãos Slater 02.

Luta Apaixonada.

Heather Graham Pozzessere.

C.L. Romântica 30.

Me diz como Malachi consegue agüentar as imprudências de Shannon. Que mulherzinha mais cabeça dura. É obvio que ela é maravilhosa, fiel, apaixonada e verdadeira. Mas totalmente irracional, impulsiva e selvagem.

Se deve dar um desconto porque o período que a estória acontece é muito conturbado, fim da guerra civil americana. Então, Shannon que era uma daquelas damas rurais, que perderam tudo, teve que amadurecer para não ser devorada pela guerra, mas ela é impulsiva, não pensa nas conseqüências de seus atos. É selvagem age por instinto.

Malachi por sua vez é um homem vivido, que passou por todo o inferno que é uma guerra. E está cansado e apenas quer voltar pra casa e esquecer tudo. Mas, acontecimentos terríveis e inesperados farão Malachi e Shannon viver uma aventura para salvar as pessoas que os dois mais amam de suas famílias. Não posso esquecer de mencionar que Shannon atrapalha muitas vezes a tentativa de resgate.

Durante a jornada Malachi e Shannon terão que curar suas feridas e assim viver um amor verdadeiro. Será que ele vai conseguir convencer Shannon que ela pode amar outra vez ou Shannon vai conseguir não se meter em mais confusões? Para descobrir o resultado de toda essa loucura só lendo "Luta Apaixonada"

Obs.: alguém sabe como se fala o nome "Malachi"??? Pq tenho certeza que to lendo errado...

ADORO!!!

RECOMENDADÍSSIMO!!!

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## **Glamdring says**

**\*\*3,5 stars\*\***

***"Why? 'Cause somewhere, Captain Slater, the healing has to start. Somewhere, it has to quit being North and South, and somewhere, we have to stand against the men going against the very rules of God!"***

The story picks up just where Dark Stranger ended.

We are in the aftermath of the war. Malachi is riding back to the McCahy ranch to regroup with his brothers when he learns that Hayden Fitz has “wanted for murder” posters on them all over the Kansas.

***"He had fought in the regular cavalry. Fought hard, and fought brilliantly. They had often hung on against impossible odds. They had a right to be proud, even in defeat."***

Malachi is absolutely yummylicious but half the time Shannon was really irritating. I love a feisty heroine with a temper but most of the time Shannon was just plain too stupid to live. I mean the girl not only wouldn't shut up to save her life but she also put other people in danger! I almost removed a star because of her. What redeemed her was that the hate/love relationship between her and Malachi was really well written.

***"She didn't know quite what it was that lurked between them, she only knew that it was heated and total and combustible. Every time they met, sparks flew and fury exploded."***

***"Never mind. Forget it. Sometimes I forget consequences and..."***  
***He took a long sip of coffee, watching her over the rim of his cup. "Have you forgotten them this time?"***  
***"What?" she murmured. It was her turn to be confused.***

***[...]***

***"Consequences. Procreation. Infants. Sweet little people growing inside a woman's body..."***

Also, this book has a lot of action from beginning to end.

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## **Susan Ross says**

This could have been a 4 if the heroine, Shannon, wasn't so incredibly annoying. I loved our hero, Malachi. How he could stand Shannon, I don't know. There's a difference between being feisty and brave, and being fool-hardy, undisciplined and reckless with the lives of others. And that's what Shannon was. I really didn't like her at all.

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## **Lucknegrace says**

I love to read Heather Graham when I'm burned out on the heavy stuff and want a relaxing reading experience. I also love Civil War stories, so this romance set just after the war in Bleedin' Kansas is just the ticket. Historical elements of the story are compelling, but it IS mainly formulaic romance.

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## **Diane Stevens says**

did not finish

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## **Kelly says**

an excellent story, great writing, great romance. I really enjoyed the book. Although I found out after the fact that this is a sequel to another book . I'm definately going to read the previous book. This one was much better than some of the others by the same author.

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## **Eastofoz says**

3.5 stars for this book. There's nothing really wrong with it, but it's not great either. The characters are one dimensional and you feel like you've seen it all before. It's sort of lacking substance but if you're looking for a lighter kind of happy-happy story then it could be a good book. It's was one of those "meh" stories for me.

The hero is the strong Confederate soldier looking to get away from the aftermath of the war now that it's over and the Unionist heroine has always disliked him but underneath all that "hate" ol' love comes in and conquers all in the end. Maybe if there was better written witty dialog/verbal sparring the story could have been 4 stars. There's a bit too much narration and overuse of exclamations that make it seem silly instead of heartfelt at times. It is a late 80s romance so that could account for the difference in writing style. Lacks verve.

It's basically a light read with a borderline gooey ending –gotta be in the right mood to "appreciate" one of those.

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