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Tired of the bachelor lifestyle, sports medicine doctor, and weekend cowboy, Chase Cooper, is ready to settle down. Late one night over a few drinks, he and his buddies come up with a plan. Invite the girls from their past-the ones that got away-to a weekend of fun at the ranch and see what happens next.

When lawyer, Julia Blair finds herself on a dude ranch half way across the country, only to discover the invitation was meant for her vivacious twin sister, she knows she has two choices. Go home alone, or walk a day in her sister's shoes. When she sets eyes on sexy cowboy Chase Cooper, the choice becomes easy.

Coop can't believe the mix up, but when he discovers Julia wants to play he decides to go for it. Except playtime leads to so much more and when he realizes she just might be the girl who got away he sets out to show her how good they can be together. And he's not above using a set of leather horse reins and a few tricks of the trade to prevent her from fleeing again.

## **Cowboy's Way Details**

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### pinK says

I think this is a cute little romance novella, easily able to be finished in a single setting. I read it quickly, while waiting for a class to start. The plot is simple, a hero looking to make a move on a lost love, but I found it to be a bit too simple. There are very few complications that the couple have to overcome together. Everything is packaged together with a nice, neat bow. I can understand why this is the case, since it's a novella and it's bound to happen a bit easier with a shorter story, but I feel that this could easily have been drawn out into a great full length book. It seems the couple's week together flew by, which in reality it did since the story is so very short.

The characters were mildly developed, the heroine more so than the hero, but they do have great chemistry. I had so many grand ideas of what could potentially happen and was a bit surprised to find the end once I got there. I felt like I had just started! Although there were areas that needed work to have a fully developed cast of characters and plot, I still enjoyed this story as a light and quick read.

Note: I received a free copy of this book in exchange for honest review.

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### Diana says

\*received for an honest review

originally on : <http://ramblingsfromthischick.blogspot.com>...

Chase Cooper has his sights set on Mari Blair, he decides that it's time to settle down and Mari is the person that he decides to settle with. There is a mix up in plans and Mari's sister, Julia Blair is the one that ends up at the dude ranch with the sexy doctor/cowboy Chase Cooper. When Julia receives a mysterious note in the middle of the night she is not sure how to react but realizes that her quiet lifestyle needs a change.

Chase is shocked when he discovers that Julia is the one at the dude ranch and not Mari, but both decide that even though it was not what they planned on they are going to make the best of the situation.

Chase realizes that he's thought Julia was the right girl for him all along but she never gave him the time of day and seemed very disinterested in him. When Julia realizes that the invitation was meant for her sister she is ready to leave but Chase convinces her to stay until the next flight out and enjoy the ranch.

This was a very cute story. I really liked that both Chase and Julia were nervous about getting to know each other. They reminisce about their time together in high school and start to get to really know each other. Julia is bothered by the mix-up but when Chase finds her out for a swim and asks her for company, Julia can't resist.

This was a short but incredibly sweet story about how Julia and Chase finally find their way to each other. What started out as a mix up ends up as a perfect love story.

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## **Cerian says**

Originally given 3.5 hearts at Rookie Romance.

I really enjoyed this little novella. I loved the idea of the 'weekend cowboys' inviting their high school crushes to their ranch, to see what might have been. It's a great idea for a series, and I'm already looking forward to Jag and mac's stories.

Coop was seriously hot, like....wow. He's got the whole cowboy thing working to his advantage, as well. We don't get to know Coop particularly well, but I liked what I knew.

Julia is a straight-laced lawyer, who's always seen as the sensible, smart twin. She's mortified when she turns up at the ranch, just to find out that the invite was meant for her twin sister, Mari. Julia may be sensible on the surface, but it was great watching Coop bring out her passionate, fun side. I'm also a sucker for a book where the quiet girl gets the guy!

They had a combustible and instantaneous chemistry. They always had crushes on each other in high school—although neither of them knew that! The sex scenes in the book had me fanning myself, and that scene in the barn was hot, hot, HOT!

Aside from the scorching chemistry, they have a sweet romance. Of course the transition from lust to love was very hasty, but it is a novella. It's very enjoyable, and I loved the setting. I'm looking forward to the rest of the series!

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## **Ellen says**

3.5 Stars

I read Cathryn Fox's novella *Hold Me Down Hard* a while back and really enjoyed it, so when I saw that she had another novella, *Cowboy's Way*, coming out under Entangled Publishing's new Flaunt Imprint I couldn't wait to read it. There is just something about cowboys that sucks me right in, especially sexy ones, which is just what you find in *Cowboys' Way*. The story takes place on a dude ranch in Springvale Alberta, which is owned by Chase Cooper and his two best friends since high school, Jagger and Mac, all of whom have successful careers back in Nova Scotia. These hotties love to come to the ranch, get away, and be cowboys as often as they can. All three are players and have been since high school, yet one night while talking in the saloon at the ranch, they realize they are all looking for something more than a one-night stand, and begin reminiscing about their high school days and the "one that got away" girls from that time. They cook up the idea of finding and anonymously inviting these three girls to an all expense paid week at the dude ranch and then surprising them upon their arrival. Chase invites his best friend in high school, Mari Blair, though there was never anything romantic that took place between them. He secretly always had a crush on her twin sister Julia, but considered her off limits and never acted upon it in high school.

Needless to say he is more than happy when there is a mix up and he sees Julia is the one who gets off the plane and not Mari. Now he just has to talk her into staying, try to win her over, and then convince her that it is her he wants and not her sister, a fact that Julia finds hard to believe. With chemistry that is electrifying these two find themselves having the best week and best sex of their lives, but they also discover that there

may be more to it than just casual fun, if they are willing to take a chance and let each other in. Chase has his secrets and Julia has her insecurities and misconceptions, but both have to decide if love will win them over in the end. *Cowboy's Way* is the perfect short, sexy read that provides you with a blast of steam, a great little romance, and yes, a hot sexy cowboy in the mix. I really enjoyed it.

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### **Erin says**

I know I read this, but I honestly cannot remember when. I can't recall if it was earlier this year, or at the end of last year in the final 'get my reading goal done' push.

But I know I read it.

It was alright.

I can't really remember much of it, but considering how much I read, this isn't surprising for a small little fluffy novella.

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### **Angie says**

*Cowboy's Way* is a very cute and sexy novella about getting a second chance with the one who got away. Chase Cooper and his two friends decide to invite the girls from high school that they crushed on yet never dated out to their dude ranch for a week of fun. Chase intended to invite his friend Mari, but the invite ends up with her sister, Julia. Julia has a feeling she received the invite by mistake, but throws caution to the wind and heads out anyway. Little does she know, but Chase actually wanted her to show up and not her sister, and now that she's there with him, he isn't going to let her go.

Thanks to *Cowboy's Way*, I may have to reconsider my distaste for cowboys. I still find the hat and boots completely ridiculous and in no way sexy, and don't even get me started on the whole "ma'am" thing, but I have to admit, Chase knows how to treat a lady. But he's only a part-time cowboy. Anyway, I really enjoyed the romance between him and Julia. There's a genuine connection there, they don't play any games, and the sex is hot. He also helps her come out of her shell and be more carefree and relaxed. This is a very light hearted romance, but there is a little bit of something deeper when it comes to Chase's mother. It's not explored very much, but I thought it was a nice touch, and showed a softer side to Chase. Overall, I'm glad I gave this one a chance.

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### **Lady Raven RAVE! says**

3.85 stars

Story: FAIRLY GOOD

Intimacy Level: VERY SPICY

Enjoyment: GOOD

## THOUGHTS

I actually liked this book, although my rating wasn't a perfect 4 stars. I liked the concept of the story with each best friend, Coop, Mac and Jag, bringing each of the girls from their past that got away to the ranch for a weekend getaway. With Coop's story, he thought Mari was the one that always got away, but the person who showed up instead was her twin Julia. Julia has always had a thing for Coop and is just as surprised as he is. Coop's character was a very sexy cowboy. I also thought he was sweet, but the way his character was, was very hush hush, so you still don't get to know much about him until the end. Julia, was sweet as well. I just don't know why she felt the need to be like her sister when she still was herself. I think she wanted to be spontaneous like her sister.

Even though I thought the storyline was fairly good, which is still ok to me, both Julia and Coop's physical chemistry was sexually exciting as they began to explore each other over the weekend they shared with each other. Overall, I still enjoyed myself while reading Cowboy's Way and look forward to Mac and Jag's stories, as all the females they invited showed up together at the same time.

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## Jamie says

nice steamy quick read

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## Erin says

A straight-laced lawyer bringing the sexy high school jock to his knees? Yes, please! Julia Blair may not be much like her outgoing and fun-loving twin, but when she accepted the mysterious invite for a week-long getaway with a secret admirer, she threw caution to the wind as if she was. She was the serious one, the hard-working sister who didn't have time for excitement in her life, but she was ready to dive in the deep end for once and just see where it would take her. Just so happens, it took her to the dude ranch owned by none other than her high school crush, Chase Cooper, and wow did she ever take a stand for her man!!

I loved the whole mistaken twin concept here; Julia's twin was actually the one who was sent the tempting invitation, unbeknownst to Julia, but fate really stepped in and gave these two the push they needed. Chase had always been attracted to Julia but thought she hated him all those years ago, while she'd been secretly pining for him even though she knew he was off limits since he was always with her sister. They were like two ships passing in the night, never really seeing each other beyond the surface thanks to preconceived notions, so they didn't have the opportunity to see if there could be more. Until the day Julia decided to hop on that plane and see who the mystery man was. Her shock was expected, but his reaction was perfect—he was relieved it was Julia.

As Julia grappled with her identity and what exactly she wanted from Chase, they shared some incredibly

steamy and mouth-watering moments together that made it clear just how well they clicked together. I liked that, even though this was a very short story, it wasn't always just about the sex between these characters. Yes, they had me fanning myself a few times, but they also warmed up to each other and realized they had a lot more in common as adults than they did back in the day. This was a sweet romance that had a heaping helping of piping hot steaminess, and it's a great quick break from the day-to-day madness when you need it!

Quotes:

As she stared into his gorgeous blue eyes, another shudder ran through her, and she briefly wondered if she'd read him wrong. Maybe he didn't know the nerdy twin had boarded the plane. Then another more devious thought hit. If he didn't know, did she have it in her to pretend she was her sister? ~p. 22

When his hand tightened over hers, and she could feel his rough calluses scrape against her palms, there was nothing she could do to ignore the tremble moving through her. ~p. 26

Not wanting to think about what this man was doing to her, or how hard she'd fallen for him, she sat up and straddled him from above, conveying without words what she wanted. ~p. 69

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### **MsRomanticReads says**

So enjoyable! This was my second read from this line but my first book by this author, and I am hooked. Chase Cooper was a very likeable hero. He surrounded himself with his two best friends since Kindergarten, and he took care of his mother who was suffering from Alzheimer's by buying the ranch to keep her in familiar surroundings. He was a hard worker and wasn't shy about admitting his flaws. But along with having his hands full, he felt lonely. That was when the thought of "the one that got away" entered his mind.

I felt sorry for the heroine, Julia Blair. Her relationship with her identical twin sister, Mari, appeared to be intact, but I got the feeling she never quite got out from behind her sister's shadow. They may have been identical in looks, but personality wise they were complete opposites. Where Mari was outgoing and made friends easily, Julia was the studious, more introverted one. The fact that Mari was best friends with the handsome but arrogant jock, the very same who never seemed to notice Julia, was just another reason to feel slighted. I have to say I rather enjoyed that underlying tension throughout the story.

Even though Julia firmly believed that Coop had wanted Mari there instead of her, I liked that she allowed herself to live in the moment. She did overthink a few situations but recovered nicely on her own. I felt the chemistry between them mainly because of Coop's known desire and Julia's little bout of jealousy. The story moved quickly but not unrealistically. After their first (and second) round of intimacy, the relationship developed off page over the course of five days. Speaking of intimacy, the love scenes were hot! For such a short story, perhaps the back-to-back coupling in detail was a little bit much but no less enjoyable. I'll always point out how appreciative I am for the lack of over the top drama. While there were hurdles, they seemed true to the main characters' personalities.

If you want a quick, steamy, well-written story, definitely pick up this book.

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### **Marq(ReadingRomanceinColor) says**

Coop, Mac and Jag are friends who are tired of the single life. During a round of beers, they start talking about the one that got away. This sparks an idea. The three friends, who own a dude ranch, decide to bring the women they left slip through their fingers to the ranch to woo them and figure out if they are truly The One.

Coop was best friends with Mari throughout high school. Mari has a twin sister, Julia, who Coop crushed on but didn't want to cross the line by dating his best friend's sister. Plus Coop thought that Julia hated him because whenever he was around, she was never nice to him. Julia has always been in her sister's shadow. Mari is the beautiful outgoing twin while Julia is the quiet, studious one. Julia secretly crushed on Coop but he was with her sister so she knew nothing could ever happen between them. When she gets a letter from a secret admirer inviting her for a week-long vacation at a dude ranch, Julia hesitates and then decides to go. When she arrives and sees Coop, she realizes a mistake has been made. The invite was meant for her sister. Coop's intention was to invite Mari but when he sees Julia, he realizes that he finally has a chance to give in to his feelings.

I am so glad that this story didn't do the typical 'twin switching places' trope. I would have been really pissed. I enjoyed the story a lot. It's very sexy. Coop and Julia re-connect and Coop is really into Julia but Julia has hangups about not being the twin that Coop wants. Coop is very convincing of who he wants which leads to some very hot love scenes. I can't wait to read the rest of the series and see how things work out for Mac and Jag. I like reading a story about men who wonder about the one they let get away.

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### **LJT says**

Are you looking for a hot, sexy novella? Then look no further than *Cowboy's Way* by Cathryn Fox. To begin with, the cover is alluring and enticing. Secondly, the main characters, attorney Julia Blair and sports doctor and part-time cowboy, Chase Cooper, are likeable, real and have a ton of chemistry. Lastly, I believe the secondary characters will make great follow-up stories.

Julia and Cooper have known each other since high school. In fact during that time, Cooper was best friend's with Julia's funny and outgoing sister, Mari, even they both secretly crushed on one another. Now years later, Cooper and his two buddies are feeling nostalgic and decide to contact the women that "got away" for a chance of happiness.

Julia arrives at Cooper's ranch completely bewildered. She knows that Cooper was expecting Mari, not the quiet, conservative Julia. As luck would have it, Julia is one who Cooper really wants.

A relationship develops along with some scorching sex. I just loved how Julia and Cooper came together, while slowly sharing their secrets with one another. If you are looking for a quick-paced, well-written, sexy novella, give this book a shout.

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## Socalgal5 says

\* Received ARC for an honest review

This is a short novella about a cowboy named Chase Cooper and a lawyer Julia Harper who knew each other when they were in high school. The story was pretty much straight forward in how I thought the story was going to go (secret crushes, etc). Though the characters were developed somewhat, I did not feel a really connection to either one of them. There were some sizzling scenes and the description of the dude ranch were nicely written. There were some points that I just didn't get (Julia has a supermodel twin sister who was best friends with Chase in HS) and felt that things that were "obstacles" were a little too easily overcome. I also would have liked to find out more about Chase's past and more about his friends (maybe that will be in subsequent novellas). Also Julia just seemed to have a hum drum life and nothing else matter once she saw Chase. I wanted to her enjoy who she was and bring that to the relationship. This was a nice short read but I did not think about the characters once I put it down.

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## Pam says

3 stars

*"I've waited too long for this, wanted you for too long."*

A story of the one who got away, but with a twist, what if the one who got away was not the one you thought, what if she was the twin sister, well Coop is about to find out. Coop and his two best friends Jag and Mac, comes up with a plan invite the ones they thought got away to a week stay at the dude ranch.

There was a mix up in the invitation, it was sent to Julia instead of Mari. Her curiosity got the best of her so she went to find out who sent the invitation and see if it was even sent to the right Blair sister. As soon as she steps off the plane she looks into the face that has haunted her dreams. Realizing straight away her mistake, she hurried to leave, but the plane left her behind. Surprised at the turn of events, Coop talks her into staying at least until the next plane leaves and tries to make the best out of their situation

*"...he wanted to know more about the shy girl from high school, the one who always remained in the shadows while her sister danced in the spotlight.*

It doesn't take long for the two, although it's casual at first, there is no mistaking the sexual tension between them. Cole has always been drawn to Julia's **beauty and brains**, and Julia she's always fantasized about Coop. Deciding to live like her sister for once, she takes her shot of being with Coop

*Would she be able to live life on the wild side and keep her emotions out of it?*

Their connection is explosive and Coop thinks he's taking on more than he can handle, Julia is torn, because she knows deep down, it was her sister he wanted and not her, but before she goes back to her boring life, she wants whatever she can get from Coop

*“...now that I’ve got you where I want you, I’m not in a hurry to go anywhere. I plan to take my sweet time with you, Julia. I plan to make you scream for me.”*

Knowing their week is coming to an end, they spend their day's and night together, it's strange how comfortable they are around each other, how just the act of being together is enough, they both fall hard, but they both keep it to themselves, not wanting to reveal the need they feel for each other

*“needing to be inside her again— needing to give, to take, to have her crawl inside him so he could keep her forever.*

This was a fast read for me, enjoyable enough but I would have been happy with more. My favorite part was their first time, they could have burned the barn down with all that heat. I assume the next in the series is seeing how well Jag or Mac fared with their "what if's".

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### **Martha says**

Julia's always had a thing for Chase "Coop" Cooper. Coop has always had a thing for Mari – Julia's twin sister! An invitation mix up and Julia's gets a 1 week get-a-way to a dude ranch where she spends a week with the man of her dreams Coop. Coop knows immediately that the invitation got to the wrong sister but goes with the flow...why not right! I found this book to be a sexy, fast read. There were things missing like in the synopsis it says "And he's not above using a set of leather horse reins and a few tricks of the trade to prevent her from fleeing again." Maybe I missed it but did he use the leather horse reins. I only caught a mention of them "doing" it in the horse pasture but other than nada on the horse reins. The barn scene was very sexy and wow how they didn't burn that down is amazing! I wish there was an epilogue to this story so we can see how they managed their relationship, did they stay together when they got back to the real world or was this just a week long fling like she thought it was. I would love to see these two get another book because seriously there is so much more to be told...stuff like above did they stay together, what does her sister think when she gets back from her modeling job and see them together, what does she think about the invitation meant for her...awww so much more could be told!! Bring another book for them...ohhhh and I'm looking forward to Jag and Mac's stories!

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