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Need You For Keeps (Heroes Of St. Helena Book 1)



Synopsis

When it comes to caring for the furry residents of St. Helena, California, groomer and pet rescuer Shay Michaels can handle anything. Humans are another story, though—especially Deputy Jonah Baudouin. He’s the town’s resident superhero: upright, uptight, and jaw-droppingly gorgeous, even when he’s investigating complaints about Shay’s beloved foster animals. And that spells danger for Shay, a free spirit who can’t risk trusting the wrong person again. Jonah and Shay have been circling each other ever since she came to town, and he’s running out of reasons to not kiss her senseless. But this deputy is a straight shooter with his eye on the sheriff’s badge. He can’t afford to get involved with Shay, a chaos magnet with luscious curves who’s liable to turn his career—and his life—upside down. He enforces laws. She breaks them—repeatedly. Keeping her out of trouble is becoming a full-time job—and it’s one he hopes is never going to end.

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Customer Reviews

First, I like to say that I normally love this author. Her books make me laugh and I usually love the interactions between the characters. This book started out the same but I must say, the ending

totally ruined the entire book for me. Spoiler Alert: Seriously, Adam and Jonas are so mad at her because she took in a box of stray kittens and rescued them?? She was even taken into custody? In real life, if you call the police because someone left a box of stray cats at your door, the police would laugh at you! They would not... break off a relationship and then arrest you for theft! The brother Adam says to Shay "... I am trying to figure out if you are just stupid for your own good or if you're trying to 'cluck' with my brother's life..." and then Jonas tells her, "... I don't think you know what love is..." Talk about being over dramatic! She took in a box of stray kittens for Gawd's sake!!!! When the grand theft story surfaced, Jonas trusted her from the beginning... never doubted her. But when she saves a box of stray kittens that were left in her care... all heck breaks loose?!?!? I just don't get it. Did the author run out of plot ideas? Uggg....

Let me start by saying I LOVED the first four books in the St. Helena Vineyard series about the four DeLuca brothers. The women as well as the men were strong characters and the obstacles in their relationships were believable. The town characters, most of them older, were cute and enjoyable. However, something changed in the last book of the series about the sister, Abby, in "From the Moment We Met" and continues in this book. The town characters went from cute to over the top and silly. Both the women and men were weak and completely out of control of their lives... In both books, I stopped in the middle and just went to the end. I couldn't get through the books. For me, it was almost painful to read. I am so disappointed... I was hoping this book would go back to the way the original books were written and be a great romance with strong characters and interesting plots.

First book I have read by this author and probably last. I got halfway through and quit. Jonah keeps doing things for Shay (building a dog fence, taking in a stray kitten, looking the other way when it comes to the law) but Shay never reciprocates. She seems flighty and selfish-her character seems nice but grow up! Other characters in the book are not believable they are cartoonish. Don't know how it ends and don't care.

I really tried to give this book a chance but I couldn't even make it to the half way point. This h is so completely manipulative toward the H in a very obvious and frustrating way. The way she is so self righteous about trying to place her pets makes her so unlikable that you just hope the other characters would cut her off and stand up for themselves especially Jonah. This takes all of the stereotypes of pet lovers to the extreme. I have pets but I don't think everyone should have them and I definitely don't think it's ok to force them on others. Most of this author's books are borderline

sappy but this one was just too much.

Horrible! I got to page 50, just barely. Worst book I've read in years. I kept waiting for someone to die just to make the book interesting! Watching paint dry is excellent compared to this book. Don't waste your time and for heaven's sake don't pay for it!

I've read this author before and I really enjoy her books, this sounded like it may be a sweet nice romance and certainly I enjoyed the people in the book and the story line, what let this book down was it seemed like the author didn't know what genre she was writing. Was it sweet, smutty, edgy, erotica or what. I was reading along, nice story then it was like ok well let's just throw in some foul mouthed words here, or let's throw in some smutty terms for this part of the sex. To me it seemed like they didn't fit in with the type of story she was trying to put out there, and it was unnecessary. I am not a prude by any means but in this book I feel like it let the whole story down. It was enough for me to decide I won't read the rest of the St Helena series. First time I have ever asked for my money back for a book.

I'm thinking I may just love the Heroes of St. Helena even more than St. Helena Vineyard. Jonah was an awesome hero, impossible not to adore for his straight-laced commitment to the law. Shay was a lovable mess, impossible not to admire for her passion and conviction for rescuing animals. Together they were playful opposites who clashed and fit well all at once. Their chemistry was incredible, their story was easy to fall into and the book was impossible to put down. I read the whole thing in a day and now I'm sorry I did because I'll have to wait forever for the next book. I saw that Dax and Emerson will have their story out in October and then I'm hoping for Adam and Harper for the one after that which will be out in Spring of 2016. Both are much too far away. One note to fans of the former series, outside of a very small part for Frankie, the characters from St. Helena Vineyard were not in this one. In fact, it probably wouldn't even be necessary to read the former series to enjoy this one.

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