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The Paper Swan Leylah Attar 2015-08-27 They say it takes 21 days to form a habit. They lie. For 21 days she held on. But on Day 22, she would have given anything for the sweet slumber of death. Because on Day 22, she realizes that her only way out means certain death for one of the two men she loves. A haunting tale of passion, loss, and redemption, *The Paper Swan* is a darkly intense yet heartwarming love story, textured with grit, intrigue, and suspense. A full-length, standalone novel, intended for mature audiences due to violence, sex and language. Subject matter may be disturbing for some readers.

Reversal of Fate Tina Folsom 2021-09-08 In 2085, humankind is at the brink of extinction. A mutated virus originating from a worldwide pandemic in 2025 has rendered 99% of women infertile, yet has no effect on men. The only hope for the survival of mankind is to send young men back in time to find fertile women before the virus infects them. However, the space time continuum may not be disturbed since any change in the past may wipe out the future. Therefore, only women known to have died during the 2025 pandemic may be chosen. But will they come willingly? Carter Ambrose is the first young man to travel back in time and assigned to bring back Julie Schneider, a young woman fated to die in the first wave of the virus. However, something goes wrong during the time jump and Carter suddenly finds himself racing against time to win Julie's trust and affection so he can convince her to come back to the future with him. Time Quest Reversal of Fate (#1) Harbinger of Destiny (#2) (Coming in 2021/2022) Code Name Stargate Ace on the Run (#1) Fox in plain Sight (#2) Yankee in the Wind (#3) (Coming in 2021/2022) Scanguards Vampires Book 1: Samson's Lovely Mortal Book 2: Amaury's Hellion Book 3: Gabriel's Mate Book 4: Yvette's Haven Book 5: Zane's Redemption Book 6: Quinn's Undying Rose Book 7: Oliver's Hunger Book 8: Thomas's Choice Book 8 1/2: Silent Bite (A Scanguards Wedding Novella) Book 9: Cain's Identity Book 10: Luther's Return Novella: Mortal Wish Book 11: Blake's Pursuit Novella 11 1/2: Fateful Reunion Book 12: John's Yearning The Novella Mortal Wish can be read anytime. Stealth Guardians Lover Uncloaked (#1) Master Unchained (#2) Warrior Unraveled (#3) Guardian Undone (#4) Immortal Unveiled (#5) Protector Unmatched (#6) Demon Unleashed (#7) Venice Vampyr Venice Vampyr (#1) Venice Vampyr (#2): Final Affair Venice Vampyr (#3): Sinful Treasure Venice Vampyr (#4): Sensual Danger Venice Vampyr (#5): Wicked Seduction (by Michele Hauf) The Hamptons Bachelor Club Teasing Enticing Beguiling Scorching Alluring Sizzling Out of Olympus Book 1: A Touch of Greek Book 2: A Scent of Greek Book 3: A Taste of Greek Book 4: A Hush of Greek Short stories Steal Me The Wrong Suitor

Ghosted J. M. Darhower 2017-08-25

Gabriel's Inferno Sylvain Reynard 2012-07-31 From New York Times bestselling author Sylvain Reynard comes the first novel in the Gabriel's Inferno series, a haunting, unforgettable tale of one man's salvation and one woman's sensual awakening—NOW A FILM FROM PASSIONFLIX! Enigmatic and sexy, Professor Gabriel Emerson is a well-respected Dante specialist by day, but by night he devotes himself to an uninhibited life of pleasure. He uses his notorious good looks and sophisticated charm to gratify his every whim, but is secretly tortured by his dark past and

consumed by the profound belief that he is beyond all hope of redemption. When the sweet and innocent Julia Mitchell enrolls as his graduate student, his attraction and mysterious connection to her not only jeopardizes his career, but sends him on a journey in which his past and his present collide. An intriguing and sinful exploration of seduction, forbidden love, and redemption, *Gabriel's Inferno* is a captivating and wildly passionate tale of one man's escape from his own personal hell as he tries to earn the impossible—forgiveness and love.

Sempre J.M. Darhower 2014-02-25 A sexy novel about two seventeen-year-olds—one a victim of human trafficking; the other the son of the man who enslaved her—who fall in love and question everything they ever believed... THIS IS A STORY ABOUT SACRIFICE . . . DEATH . . . LOVE . . . FREEDOM. THIS IS A STORY ABOUT FOREVER. Seventeen-year-old Haven Antonelli has never known freedom. From the time she was a little girl, she and her mother have been slaves—victims of human trafficking orchestrated by a vast Mafia network. But when Haven attempts to escape and is caught, one man gives her a choice: go with him or die. Agreeing to leave with Dr. Vincent DeMarco, Haven arrives at his home and meets the doctor's defiant—yet intriguing—son Carmine. Though Carmine's privileged upbringing is a world away from hers, Haven senses the things they share. And soon her tenuous friendship with Carmine blossoms into an unexpected love. Carmine has breezed through life breaking every rule, scorning attachments—until he meets this strange, timid girl his father has brought home. Her innocence draws him in a way he cannot understand, and makes him feel in ways he never thought he'd experience. And when he learns the Mafia isn't through with her, he becomes bent on protecting her . . . no matter the cost.

Dead Sky Morning Karina Halle 2013-10-03 Amateur ghost hunters Perry Palomino and Dex Foray embark on their most terrifying investigation yet. A tiny, fog-shrouded island in the rough strait between British Columbia and Washington State has held a dark secret for decades: It was a former leper colony where over forty souls were left to rot, die and bury each other. Now a functioning campground, Perry and Dex spend an isolated weekend there to investigate potential hauntings but as the duo quickly find out, there is more to fear on D'Arcy Island than just ghosts. The island quickly pits partner against partner, spiraling the pair into madness that serves to destroy their sanity, their relationship and their very lives.

Pestilence (The Four Horsemen Book #1) Laura Thalassa 2021-06-04 Fans of Sarah J. Maas will love this story about when one of the four horseman comes to spread the plague, a young woman risks her life to save her town from him, only to fall in love with him.

Royal Guard Lion Zoe Chant 2017-01-27 A curvy American shocked to learn that she's a lost princess + a warrior lion shifter sworn to protect her + a hidden shifter kingdom in desperate need of a leader = a sizzling romance fit for a queen! Signy Zlotsky grew up thinking everything about her (except her hard-to-pronounce name) was ordinary and all-American. Then the father she barely remembers leaves her a royal inheritance. She's the princess of a hidden country ruled by shapeshifters! Signy is human, so she can't rule -- but her husband will be the new king. Overnight, Signy becomes the prize in a deadly game of thrones. Surrounded by powerful, ruthless nobles determined to force her into a loveless arranged marriage, Signy desperately

needs someone she can trust... Lion shifter Kai serves in the Royal Guard of Valtira with unswerving dedication, but he secretly dreams of having love in his life. He's seen the heartbreak that can result from arranged marriages, and he's determined to wait for his true mate. But he never imagined that she would turn out to be Valtira's new princess... or that he'd be torn between his love for her and his sworn duty to the Crown. When Kai and Signy meet, their passion is undeniable. But with the fate of a kingdom hanging in the balance, happily ever after isn't easy. Will Signy's royal destiny tear them apart, or can a lionhearted guard become her prince? This is a red-hot royal BBW lion shifter romance. No cliffhangers!

The Untamed Bride Stephanie Laurens 2009-10-27 The first book in a brand-new series, The Black Cobra Quartet, from New York Times and USA Today bestselling romance author Stephanie Laurens, The Untamed Bride is the story of a bold, beautiful woman with a scandalous past and a battle-hardened, sinfully wealthy, completely unstoppable man who must join forces to fight a deadly foe known only as the Black Cobra—and who must also confront the dangers of the heart . . .

Grievous J. M. Darhower 2017-02-05 Once upon a time, there was a girl who stopped believing in fairy tales after her innocence was stolen. Morgan Myers is tired. So damn tired. Most people either push her around or brush her off, and she's not putting up with it anymore. Determined to reclaim the life that had been stolen from her, she puts her trust in the last person she ever expected to: the notorious Scar. Morgan sees a side of him that few people seem to know—the man, not the myth. Lorenzo. And what she sees, she likes, a lot more than she thought she would. But fairy tales aren't real, as life likes to remind her. Some dragons, you just can't slay, no matter how hard you fight them. And when hers comes back around, breathing fire, she's forced to face some unimaginable horrors. But lucky for Morgan, there's a white knight in combat boots out there that isn't afraid of monsters. You see, it's impossible to be afraid of something you face every day in the mirror.

Bound in Flames Milly Taiden 2016-11-04 Morgan Polley is an empath who helps people. When she meets Tor and his family of dying dragons, she wants to assist them in finding their mates. Except for Tor's. She wants to keep him and make lots of babies with the big sexy man. It's getting hard to remember her objective when her hormones go out of whack around him. Tor Drachen is one of a handful of dragons left on earth, dying due to their mates being targeted and killed before finding each other. He's been told Morgan Polley will be a mate to one of his kind, but who? He's having a hard time keeping her at bay and the thought of getting her pregnant to start a family is a very tempting idea. A breed of evil dragons is after Morgan, but Tor promises to protect her to the very end. Even if it turns out that she's one of his brothers' mates. If he can't find a way to cheat fate, he will walk away without his heart.

À nos démons intimes J.M. Darhower 2020-04-23 Ignazio Vitale n'est pas un homme bon. Je le soupçonne dès notre première rencontre, je sens le danger qui entoure cet homme. Il a une façon d'exiger l'attention, de prendre le contrôle, de savoir ce que je pense avant même que je le sache. C'est à la fois inquiétant et attirant. C'est sombre et redoutable. C'est tout ce que j'ai toujours voulu, et pourtant la dernière chose dont j'ai besoin. Une obsession. Il ne lui faut pas longtemps pour m'attirer dans sa toile, me charmer jusque dans son lit et me prendre au piège de sa vie, une vie dont j'ignore tout avant qu'il soit trop tard. Il a des secrets, des secrets que je ne peux percer et qui m'empêchent de partir, même si je le supplie de me laisser m'en aller. Je l'aperçois parfois dans ses yeux, cette noirceur terrifiante et fascinante à la fois. C'est un monstre dans un emballage somptueux, et ce que je découvre en le démasquant change absolument tout. J'ai envie de le haïr. Parfois même, j'y parviens. Et pourtant, ça ne m'empêche pas de l'aimer.

Lucifer Ava Martell 2018-01-02 Eons ago, the Devil fell from grace. Now, he might be falling for her. Grace Celestin is no stranger to sin. Working in a dive bar on Bourbon Street will expose a girl to a lot of nastiness. But when a disturbing prophecy leaves her with more questions than answers, the only man who can provide them is more than just a little sinful. He's Lucifer, the

Devil himself. Luckily, the Devil's in New Orleans-Hell's on hiatus and the tide of damned souls has dried up, leaving him between jobs. From the moment he bumps into Grace Celestin, however, he thinks he may have found a new one. She's being hunted, and not even voodoo can keep rogue angels off her trail. More intriguing still is the fact that Grace isn't just beautiful—it's that unlike every other human who's ever lived, Lucifer can't read her soul. And if he wants answers, and his throne back, he's going to have to help her get some answers of her own. For the first time since he fell, the Devil has been drawn to the light. And Grace, despite all she knows, finds herself tempted by the darkness.

Love the One You're With Lauren Layne 2013-12-09 Lauren Layne's Sex, Love & Stiletto series simmers to a boil as two high-powered magazine writers find love amid a war of words. As a leading columnist for Stiletto, Grace Brighton has built a career warning women about rotten, cheating liars. She just never suspected her fiancé would be one of them. After Grace takes a heart-mending hiatus, her first assignment is to go on a couple of dates with a counterpart from the men's magazine Oxford and report her impressions. Grace 1.0 may have been instantly smitten with the gorgeous correspondent, but Grace 2.0 has sworn off relationships for six months, and she's not falling for his outstanding bod and trophy-winning kisses . . . or is she? Jake Malone wants to get back to the fly-by-night, who-knows-what's-next guy he used to be, and he knows exactly how to do it. Oxford is adding a travel section, and Jake—with no wife and no kids and a willingness to live anywhere, eat anything, do everything—is perfect for the job . . . except that his playboy reputation makes his new editor nervous. To get the gig, he must agree to a fluffy joint article with Stiletto. But after just one date with snooty, sumptuous, sensational Grace Brighton, Jake starts taking this assignment a whole lot more seriously. Praise for Love the One You're With "Spunky, flirty, and full of sass, Love the One You're With is everything a romance should be! Lauren Layne has a winner."—New York Times bestselling author Christie Craig "A sparkling romance for any woman who's ever reinvented herself . . . or wants to."—Stephanie Bond, bestselling author of Stop the Wedding! Lauren Layne's New York Times bestselling Oxford Novel series can be read in any order: IRRESISTIBLY YOURS I WISH YOU WERE MINE SOMEONE LIKE YOU I KNEW YOU WERE TROUBLE I THINK I LOVE YOU Don't miss any of Lauren Layne's hot reads: The Love Unexpectedly series: BLURRED LINES | GOOD GIRL | LOVE STORY | WALK OF SHAME | AN EX FOR CHRISTMAS The Sex, Love & Stiletto series: AFTER THE KISS | LOVE THE ONE YOU'RE WITH | JUST ONE NIGHT | THE TROUBLE WITH LOVE The Redemption series: ISN'T SHE LOVELY | BROKEN | CRUSHED The I Do, I Don't series: READY TO RUN | RUNAWAY GROOM Includes an excerpt from another Loveswept title.

All for This Lexi Ryan 2014-08-04 **ALL FOR THIS is the third book in the Here and Now trilogy. It is not a stand-alone and it's intended to be read after LOST IN ME and FALL TO YOU.** What if you would never remember the day you made the most important decision of your life? That's what they're telling me about the day of my accident—the day I put on Max's ring and chose him over Nate. I'm counting on the wisdom behind a decision I don't remember making. Max is amazing—sexy, sweet, and kind. I was starting to believe happily-ever-after might be in my future after all. Then the unthinkable happened and my world imploded. If I'm going to make this work with Max, I need my missing memories, or at least answers from about those five days before my accident. But what does my future hold if those answers aren't anything like I imagined? Here and Now, A New Hope Series: Lost in Me Fall to You All for This Discover More Books in the Sexy and Emotional New Hope Trilogy: Unbreak Me (Maggie's story) Wish I May (William and Cally's story) Stolen Wishes (A Wish I May Novella)

Off Base Tessa Bailey 2015-05-22 NEW YORK TIMES bestselling authors Tessa Bailey and Sophie Jordan team up for a collaboration featuring two sexy contemporary romance novellas. OFF BASE: KENNA AND BECK by Tessa Bailey A welcome home he never expected...and will never forget... When Kenna Sutton is tasked with driving home newly returned Beck "True Blue" Collier, she expects the strategic Army mastermind to be a pasty number cruncher. Never at a

loss for words, Kenna is nonetheless rendered speechless by the gorgeous, inexperienced and tightly-wound Army major that lands in her passenger seat. Outraged by Beck's lack of a welcome home after seven long years overseas, Kenna takes matters into her own hands, giving Beck something he's only ever fantasized about in his bunk. Beck has never shied away from a test of will and Kenna gives new meaning to the word challenge. One problem? Kenna's father is the lieutenant general presenting Beck with the Silver Star and Beck is determined to treat Kenna with the respect she deserves, even if her eyes beg Beck to act out his most secret desires with her. Desires he's always been told were the work of the devil. But how long can one lonely, starving man hope to resist the woman he craves? OFF BASE: HUNTLEY AND CULLEN by Sophie Jordan Being a good girl has its drawbacks... Huntley Collier, an emergency room nurse and all-around do-gooder, is tired of living in the friend zone. Cullen Brooks was given the job of babysitting Huntley when her brother—his best friend—deployed. But their friendly coffeehouse hangouts and TV marathons leave her wanting more. When one crazy night leads to too many drinks and an explosion of long-denied lust, Huntley's dreams become a reality. And reality is one hot, wild place she never wants to leave. But only a good girl can bring down a bad boy... Known as Sullen Cullen around Black Rock, Cullen Brooks doesn't have many friends, but Huntley is one of them ... and despite his decidedly unfriendly fantasies of the curvy blonde, she is far too sweet for his darker tastes. Keeping his hands off is easier said than done, however, when demure, little Huntley responds to his touch like the wildcat he never expected...and can't stop pursuing, despite his better judgment. But when Cullen suddenly faces losing her, will this bad boy risk it all to keep his good girl? PRAISE: "Tessa Bailey's alpha heroes will make you combust!" —Laura Kaye, New York Times Bestselling Author. "Sophie Jordan infuses all of her books with memorable characters, sharp wit, smoldering sexual tension and heart melting romance. It doesn't matter what genre of romance she's writing, if Sophie Jordan writes it I will read it." —Jay Crownover, New York Times Bestselling Author "Off Base was an absolute PERFECT read [...] This is the kind of book that makes you get grabby hands! You NEED it on your kindle and in your hands!" —Megan Wickland, Ana's Attic "In Beck & Kenna, Tessa Bailey brings us a male virgin story. WHAT?!? Tessa Bailey the Queen of Dirty Talk is bringing a male virgin to life? Is she abandoning her signature style? Oh NO! She's inventing a brand new hero type. The Alpha Virgin! Kenna unleashes the BEAST in Beck and Tessa keeps it fun and believable. [Five stars]" —Nelle, Shameless Book Club "Cullen and Huntley burned up the sheets!!! These two short stories will set your panties ablaze!!" —Adrian, Shameless Book Club "You get a lot in both novellas, with so many hot and sweet quotes, you will find yourself squirming in your seat and holding your breath to see if they make the right decisions." —Marissa, Shameless Book Club "The duology, Off Base, by Tessa Bailey and Sophie Jordan has a dirty talking, virgin hero who isn't shy about what he wants and a military hero who tries to resist his best friend's sister. These stories are two of the hottest things I've read all year. Bailey is known for her ability to write naughty, and Jordan proves that she can match Bailey on the dirty scale. Jordan's story almost made me spontaneously combust. This duology is a MUST READ!" —Jennifer, Romance Novel News

Kingpin's Foxglove Bree Porter 2020-11-02 She needs to find the anecdote...but there is no cure for love.After a year of marriage, Elena Falcone suddenly finds herself a widow and at the mercy of Konstantin Tarkhanov, Pakhan of the Tarkhanov Bratva. Determined never to return to her hometown, Elena makes a deal with the devil: Heal a sick woman and be granted her freedom...or fail and be returned to her family.Caught up in a complex plot in the world of poisons and gangsters, Elena must also handle her growing attraction to the one man she should be running from...as well as the dark secrets of her past.Will Elena find the anecdote in time and win her freedom? Or will she fail and be forced back into the deadly embrace of her family?

Chasing Nikki Lacey Weatherford 2012-02-27 Chasing Nikki, #1 Young Adult Contemporary Romance from bestselling author Lacey Weatherford. Reviews: "Do whatever you need to do so you can sit UNINTERRUPTED and devour this book. Chase Walker is incredible. This story is

AMAZING, POWERFUL, and something that will tug so hard on your heartstrings, you will walk away CHANGED for the better." ~ The Bookish Snob "Heartfelt & Inspiring!" ~ Midnight Magic Book Reviews Overview: A broken heart. A troubled past. An unexpected romance that changes everything. Will love and trust be enough to overcome the ultimate test? Chasing Nikki Extended Description: Chase Walker used to be a good kid--charming, athletic, and with a bright future ahead, but that was before travesty struck his life, sinking him into deep despair. Caught up in a world of drugs and alcohol, he doesn't notice time slipping away until he's arrested for underage drinking one night. Fed up with watching her son destroy his life, Chase's mom relocates him to live in a small ranching community with his ex-military grandfather. Chase is far from happy about the situation until he meets, Nikki, the cute cheerleader who won't give football players like him the time of day. Chase enjoys a good challenge though and sets out to claim Nikki for his own. He soon discovers she's more than a pretty face--she's a balm to his troubled spirit also. But when tragedy strikes Nikki's life too, suddenly Chase finds himself put to the ultimate test. Can he trust Nikki, and all that she's taught him? Will it be enough?

Pinky Promise H. J. Bellus 2016-10-10 From the USA Today and AMAZON best seller, HJ Bellus, comes a sexy standalone romance: Pinky Promise. Baylor Jones and Stayton (State) Blake Two lost souls raised on the streets. Young children vowing to always protect each other. He was only nine but he was her protector and best friend for years. Even when thrown in foster care he took care of her always like a king to his queen. A silent pinky promise shared between, it was their secret protection to one another. Then one morning he was gone. Leaving Baylor on her own to battle the streets and more importantly life in the Kings all by herself. "I will love you, even if I never see you again."

Understanding Second Language Acquisition Lourdes Ortega 2014-02-04 Whether we grow up with one, two, or several languages during our early years of life, many of us will learn a second, foreign, or heritage language in later years. The field of Second language acquisition (SLA, for short) investigates the human capacity to learn additional languages in late childhood, adolescence, or adulthood, after the first language --in the case of monolinguals-- or languages --in the case of bilinguals-- have already been acquired. Understanding Second Language Acquisition offers a wide-encompassing survey of this burgeoning field, its accumulated findings and proposed theories, its developed research paradigms, and its pending questions for the future. The book zooms in and out of universal, individual, and social forces, in each case evaluating the research findings that have been generated across diverse naturalistic and formal contexts for second language acquisition. It assumes no background in SLA and provides helpful chapter-by-chapter summaries and suggestions for further reading. Ideal as a textbook for students of applied linguistics, foreign language education, TESOL, and education, it is also recommended for students of linguistics, developmental psycholinguistics, psychology, and cognitive science. Supporting resources for tutors are available free at www.routledge.com/ortega.

Torture to Her Soul J. M. Darhower 2014-09-26 You never know when somebody will hold you to your word ... Naz has enough darkness inside of him to rid the world of every stitch of light. But there's one he could never harm: Karissa. He taunts her with his touch, gets a thrill out of torturing her soul. But he's not the most dangerous one out there ...

Sex Unlimited Kathryn Perez 2014-09-22 SexUnlimited.com led me to forty one year old Brisban Calloway. All I wanted from him was one night of no strings attached SEX. What I got was more than I ever bargained for.

Only with You Lauren Layne 2014-07-29 Love is the Biggest Gamble of All . . . Cocktail waitress Sophie Dalton doesn't exactly have a life plan. She's perfectly happy being everyone's favorite party girl. But when a Las Vegas bachelorette party goes awry and an uptight businessman mistakes Sophie for a prostitute . . . well, Sophie wonders if it's time to reevaluate her priorities. Swearing off her thigh-high boots for good, Sophie slinks back home with damaged pride-and a jackpot of a hangover. Yet what happens in Vegas doesn't always stay there. On a trip to Seattle

to open a new office, Grayson Wyatt meets his latest employee—who turns out to be the same woman he recently called a hooker. Wealthy and gorgeous, Gray is a man used to getting what he wants. And it doesn't take long to figure out that smart, sassy, sexy Sophie is everything he's been looking for. As their late nights at the office turn into hot morning-afters, they realize their Vegas misunderstanding may lead to the real thing . . .

Poor George Paula Fox 2001 In a new edition of the first novel by the author of *Desperate Characters*, first published in 1967, teacher George Mecklin finds his life turned upside down when he becomes involved with tutoring Ernest, a teenage delinquent. Reprint.

Extinguish J. M. Darhower 2013-05-19 One... Two... Three... Four... I Declare War Serah always believed the world around her was perfect. As a Power, one of the warrior angels, she has spent her existence defending the innocent from evil. After tragedy strikes, tearing Serah's brother from her life, she's given the task of stopping the approaching apocalypse before it's too late. Only one thing, though: she has to venture to Hell to do it. Lucifer—or Luce, as he prefers to be called—has been biding his time in Hell, longing for revenge against those who oh-so-easily cast him into the pit. When the heavenly beauty shows up at his gate, he's just as captivated by her presence as she becomes of him. The attraction between them is palpable, and Serah's willpower slowly slips. How can this charming creature, this scarred Archangel, be the one annihilating the world she so loves? As the war wages on, the world entwined in chaos, Serah starts questioning everything she ever knew. When the light and dark, hot and cold, finally collide, she has to make a choice—a choice that sets her world on fire, black and white exploding into colorful flames. Serah has questions. She wants answers. Luce just wants to play a game.

Thirty Day Boyfriend Whitney G. 2017-10-16 I should've never agreed to this arrangement... Thirty days ago, my boss (Mr. Wolf of Wall Street), came to me with an offer I couldn't refuse: Sign my name on the dotted line and pretend to be his fiancée for one month. If I agreed, he would let me out of my employment contract with a "very generous" severance package. The rules were pretty simple: No intimate kissing, no actual sex. Just pretend to love each other for the press, even though I've secretly wanted to knock that sexy smirk off his face since the first day we met. I definitely didn't need to think twice about this. I signed my name and started counting down the seconds to when I would never have to deal with his special brand of asshole again. I only made it to one minute... We argued the entire four-hour flight to his hometown, failed to make a convincing impression with the welcoming press, and right when I was about to knock that arrogant look off his face in real life? He purposely dropped his bath towel in front of me, distracting me with his nine-inch cock to "show me who the bigger person was" in our relationship. Then he gave me his trademark smirk once again and asked if I wanted to consummate our marriage. Tragically, this is only day one. We still have 29 more days to go...

The Sweet Gum Tree Katherine Allred 2017-07-03 Sweet tea, corn bread and soup beans; everyday fare for eight-year-old Alix French, the precocious darling of a respected southern family. But nothing was ordinary about the day she met ten-year-old Nick Anderson, a boy from the wrong side of town. Armed with only a tin of bee balm and steely determination, Alix treats the raw evidence of a recent beating that mars his back, an act that changes both their lives forever. Through childhood disasters and teenage woes they cling together as friendship turns to love. The future looks rosy until the fateful night when Frank Anderson, Nick's abusive father, is shot to death in his filthy trailer. Suddenly, Nick is gone, leaving Alix alone, confused and pregnant. For the next fifteen years she wrestles with the pain of Nick's abandonment, a bad marriage, her family and friends. But finally, she's starting to get her life back together. Her divorce is almost final, her business is booming, and she's content if not happy—until the day she looks up and sees Nick standing across the counter. He's back, and he's not alone. Once again Alix is plunged into turmoil and pain as Nick tries to win her love, something she resists with all her strength. Only one thing might break the protective wall she's built around her emotions—the truth about Frank Anderson's death. But when that truth comes out and those walls crumble, neither Alix nor Nick is prepared for the emotional explosion that could destroy as well as heal.

Darkness Within Sherrilyn Kenyon 2010-02-23 Kaziel isn't just another run-of-the-mill Hell Hound—he's the leader of the pack. But when his sister is kidnapped by Morgan le Fey and her army, he has no choice but to bow to Morgan's wishes and steal the Shield of Dagda. In 21st-century New Orleans, Avery MacArthur is the merlin of the shield. Fully aware of its power, she would give her life to keep it from falling into the hands of someone like Morgan le Fey.

Target on Our Backs J. M. Darhower 2016-02-23

Reignite J. M. Darhower 2014 Lucifer didn't fall from Grace alone. He's not the only angel with a grudge, nor is he the only one fascinated by a certain mortal.

The Mad Tatter J. M. Darhower 2015-04-13 Reece Hatfield has just one rule when it comes to falling in love: don't fucking do it. There's no room in his life for another person. He can barely keep a handle on things as it is. A shadow of the man he used to be, Reece spends his days tattooing, the artist inside of him longing for the chance to do something different. Avery Moore is all dance, all the time. Ballet is all she's ever known, and she's damn good at it. Her body is her art, a living canvas that captivates Reece the first time he lays his eyes on her. He yearns to leave his mark on her body... in more ways than one. The tattooed degenerate with a shady past. The beautiful ballerina with a bright future. They live in different worlds, yet somehow, they fit. But just because they fit doesn't mean they belong together. Cracks sometimes form. Two pieces don't always make a whole. The course of love never did run smoothly. Things get messy. And Reece doesn't do messy. Not anymore.

Effortless S.C. Stephens 2013-01-08 From the #1 New York Times bestselling author S.C. Stephens comes the new adult series everyone is talking about—and a love triangle you won't forget. After being caught in the middle of a love triangle that led to a devastating betrayal, Kiera pledged to learn from the mistakes she'd made. She was determined to never again inflict that kind of pain on anyone, especially the soulful, talented man who held her heart. But life offers new challenges for every relationship, and when Kiera's love is put to the ultimate test, will it survive? Love is easy...trust is hard.

The Mating Nicky Charles 2018 Elise had no idea when she came home that day that she'd end up mated to a complete stranger. A new Alpha and the need for an alliance between packs have made her a pawn. Excerpt: She lay beside him, staring blankly at the ceiling. The deed was done. They were mated. It didn't matter that she had no love for him nor he for her. Political alliances were more important than feelings...

Guardian Ascending Lexie Winston 2020-10-30 Mina's in trouble again. Knocked out and captured by AoA, she has no idea what they want from her. Has friend turned to foe? And how is she going to be able to feed her hungers while in captivity? Meanwhile her parents are on the war path, and her team are trying to rescue her, but they are blocked at every turn. With time running out to defeat Hammus, Team Alpha receives some much needed help from an unlikely source. Can they rescue Mina and together, save the worlds from total domination and enslavement. Join Jessamina and her team in Book three of the Collectors Division. Guardian's Blood is a Reverse harem novel and as such there will be no choosing. Contains both MM and FF and scenes of a sexual nature and isn't recommend for young readers.

Succubus Blues Richelle Mead 2010 Being a succubus sounds pretty glamorous. Shape-shifting, killer wardrobe, what's not to like? But Georgina Kincaid's life gets complicated when an unknown entity "helpfully" begins killing her immortal adversaries.

Duty Bethany-Kris 2020-07-15 They say heavy is the head that wears the crown ... Andino Marcello's world is turned upside down when he becomes the next heir apparent to the Marcello empire. He was comfortable in his place as a Capo, but comfort is for the weak in the world of mafioso. The boss's seat is waiting. It takes meeting a tattooed beauty who has no idea who Andino is or the criminal legacy he now carries beneath his three-piece suits, and charming smile for him to finally bend the rules set out for him. That doesn't mean he can keep her. They say things that never challenge you won't change you ... Haven Murphy is doing her own thing, and she does it well. The owner of a successful Brooklyn strip club, she makes it her only goal to

never fail. She's just trying to live her life when a morning jog puts her face to face with a man that will change the direction of her life with a single conversation. She knows there's a dark side to him beyond his good looks, and three-piece suits, but it's hard for her to care when she wants him. That doesn't mean he can be hers. He's going to break her heart; she's going to keep his. Because duty waits on no one. Duty is part one of a two-part Duet following the same couple.

Menace J. M. Darhower 2017-01-14 Once upon a time, there was a guy who got so fed up with life that he resorted to murder and mayhem just to feel alive. Lorenzo Gambini is bored. So f*cking bored. Most people either annoy him or avoid him, afraid to face him. Figuratively. Literally. With his face partially disfigured, scarred, he looks every bit the monster the stories make him out to be: the notorious Scar. They say he's a sociopath. Maybe he's a psychopath. Whatever path he's on, people tend to stay far away from it. Until one day, a young woman bumps right into him--a woman just as fed up with life, but for much different reasons. With a Scarlet Letter inked on her wrist and secrets buried deep in her soul, Morgan Myers is running from something... or maybe somebody. Lorenzo isn't quite sure. You can bet your ass he's going to figure it out, though.

By Any Other Name J. M. Darhower 2015-02-23 Genevieve "Genna" Galante knows a thing or two about causing trouble. After all, it's engrained in her DNA. As the only daughter of Primo Galante, notorious boss of the Galante crime family, her life is dictated by a certain set of rules... rules Genna was never very good at following. Matteo "Matty" Barsanti never wanted anything to do with the family business, but as the first-born Barsanti son, certain things are expected of

him.

Shadow Storm Christine Feehan 2021-05-25 A long-simmering feud between two families comes to a head in this gripping novel in Christine Feehan's New York Times bestselling Shadow Riders series. As the youngest member of the Ferraro family, Emmanuelle has watched each of her brothers find happiness in love while her own heart was shattered by a lover's betrayal. For two years she's stayed as far away from Valentino Saldi as possible—until she learns that he's been shot during a hostile takeover of his family's territory. Emme's first instinct is to call her brother Stefano for help, and soon the entire Ferraro clan arrives to bring Val back from the brink of death and protect the Saldis from further attack. With one choice Emme has re-exposed herself to Val's intoxicating pull and dragged her family into the Saldis' private war. A deadly storm is brewing, and only time will tell who survives...

Made for You Lauren Layne 2014-10-28 Some mistakes are worth making... Lauren Layne's Best Mistake series continues with MADE FOR YOU. When the Wrong Guy is Oh-So-Right Will Thatcher is exactly the type of sexy playboy good girls like Brynn have always avoided. And yet there was still something about him she just couldn't resist. When Will moved across the country three years ago, Brynn vowed it was time to put him behind her. She never thought Will might have other plans . . . Back in town, Will intends to get what he's always wanted-gorgeous, unforgettable Brynn. For years, he tormented the untouchable ice princess in a desperate bid for her attention. Now he has a new plan, and he'll do anything to rewrite their stormy past. This time, he's out to show Brynn that the imperfect man might be the best mistake of her life . . .