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Thanksgiving can't end too soon for Victor Bayne, who's finding Jacob's family hard to swallow. Luckily, he's called back to work to track down a high-profile missing person.

Meanwhile, Jacob tries to find a home they can move into that's not infested--with either cockroaches, or ghosts. As if the house-hunting isn't stressful enough, Vic's new partner Bob Zigler doesn't seem to think he can do anything right. A deceased junkie with a bone to pick leads Vic and Zig on a wild chase that ends in a basement full of horrors.

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Baba says

4.5 hot and hunky-dory stars.**Review completed January 6, 2014**

This is a little sample of my favorite part of Body and Soul...

I stared at that electrical outlet and focused outside myself, so Jacob had time to give me the reach-around. Clock. Microwave. Coffee maker. Coffee grinder.

What if one of 'em fell into the sink while he was pile-driving me and I ended up electrocuted? Not that there was any water present. But the lethality of the combination of electricity and sinks is hard-wired into our primordial lizard brains, so that just seeing the two of them at the same time was enough to leave me thinking about biology class and twitching frogs...

"Uhn, God, Vic. So good. Fuck."

HolycrapthiswashotandIlovedit!! No rest for the wicked...

Body and Soul opens up with Vic and Jacob eating at Jacob's parents' home, celebrating Thanksgiving. Aside from Jacob's curious nephew who's pestering Vic with endless questions, an arm can take on a life of its own. It goes without saying that even at Thanksgiving, Vic's special ability is going to haunt him at the peaceful family table. However, the visit is short-lived when Warwick calls Vic back to duty. In order to find a few missing people, Warwick teams Vic up with a new partner named Zigler.

Whew. Body and Soul is my favorite installment in the PsyCop series. I know I'm not done yet and that might change again. Still, I really enjoyed everything about Body and Soul. **The sex was INCREDIBLY enticing and panty-melting HOT. Vic's hilarious and fascinating mind worked overtime and Jacob was his usual sexy, hunky studly self. YUM!**

"Fucking hot," I mumbled into my forearm. "Fuck me harder."

Jacob went ballistic because I'd managed to string together more than two words while he was fucking me.

I loved meeting Jacob's family and seeing Vic and Jacob (well, mostly Jacob) hunting appropriate living quarters was oh-so entertaining. Boy, someone should go down on me so exquisitely too, just so I can be convinced to buy a special building.

I know I sound like a broken record but Vic and Jacob's chemistry is so great and palpable and they are incredibly sexy together. Whatever they do I just love it. Boy, the sex in the kitchen was mind-blowingly good. I couldn't believe that I had to laugh my ass off at Vic's crazy-funny train of thought while at the same time I felt the need to take a verrrry cold shower when studly Jacob drilled him in the counter. Holy fuck! I need to calm down...

Leaves are part of the story...la-la-la...ok, now I'm much calmer. But I swear that leaves are part of Body and Soul.

Also, I'm getting quite fond of the typical Vic terminology "um" and "cripes". And public displays of affection might become somewhat more normal for Vic because he seems the get used to it eventually. Me likey. I love how much Jacob cares about Vic; I think he'd do anything for him. Hmm...wait a second, what did Jacob say?

"I would do anything for you," Jacob said, and he seemed clear as could be, totally lucid. It wasn't fair that someone could shoot his load and then say things like that.

licks lips Yes, that was one hell of a blowjob.

Vic talking to his deadly annoying (pun intended) and ghostly neighbor is sooooo priceless. I must admit that I'm reading these books for the sake of Vic and Jacob and the compelling writing, and not so much for the sake of the plot. Don't get me wrong, the plot is not bad by any means but it's not what allures me to devour the books. Besides, I really don't think that Vic is such a badass cop who could bring down any villain with no sweat. I mean that dude is physically so out of shape it's not even funny anymore and I'm not sure if he's such a genius with his arm either. On the other hand, I just love his lively mind.

And then there's Crash again...

"If she's not here now," Crash said, "then I don't need to behave." He pulled a wooden box out from behind the counter as he spoke, grinning all the while. It was just banter. I don't think he actually had the hots for me. He just needed to preserve his reputation as a slut. Probably.

"I'll let you test drive a pendulum if you give me a blowjob."

"No!" I snapped.

He opened the box with a flourish. "Can't say I didn't try."

Gosh, he's an irritating jerk, albeit a lovable one. I need to read his short story.

I'm really, really thrilled how much I enjoyed this story. Everything is hunky-dory.

~~Though I'm going to take a little break in order to savor the rest of the series all the more. Besides, I'd like to avoid a needless disappointment by getting fed up a little bit. I'll be back, I promise.~~

How could I even think of reading anything else at the moment? Of course I'm tackling Secrets now.

West Coast psychic airy-fairy granola bullshit.

Recommended read.

<http://baba.booklikes.com>

Miriam says

This one had the strongest mystery aspect so far, with Vic actually investigating for once, and even finding clues rather than having stuff happen to him. Nice to see, especially since we're reminded that almost he's 40 (I think? definitely 30-something at least) and has been with the police quite a while.

I'd like to get more sense of what goes on in Marks' head.

Maya says

Loved this! Tempted to give it a 5-star rating, the only thing that's stopping me is that Jacob is still the same awesome but slightly mysterious man. I don't doubt his feelings for Victor, I just need to know more about him.

Victor on the other hand: his character development is one of the best I've seen in romance.

Also, Vic and Zig – some great stuff there too.

4.5 stars

Ingie says

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• #1 - Among the Living (3.5 stars)

• #2 - Criss Cross (4.0 stars)

(hide spoiler)]

Heather K (dentist in my spare time) says

4.5 fantastic stars!

I can't help myself, I just adore this series.

I find it a perfect mix of funny, sexy, and quirky. I think Vic is adorable (and if he looks like the guy on the cover of "Criss Cross"- DAYM) and his relationship with Jacob is just yummy. I'm just gushing and not saying anything specific about this book so here I go...

I think "Body and Soul" embodies what I have come to expect from this series. There is some romance (never gushy), a mystery to solve, and some interesting paranormal action. What I love about this book is that it is lighthearted and fun, even amidst all of Vic's emotional baggage. There aren't silly misunderstandings and other garbage in his relationship with Jacob, and I was happy to see their relationship moving forward. And the way Jacob talks in bad... HOT.

Moving Jordan Castillo Price to auto-buy status!

Jordan Price says

I'm so excited to be re-issuing this book. My favorite scene is when they discover who's behind all the disappearances, and they don't really know what to make of the stuff they actually do find.

I love Vic's bland acceptance of what's happening when the mechanics of it dawn on him, and I think this was the first time I gave a little glimpse of how steely he actually is inside, that a situation that would send most people packing doesn't even faze him. (How's that for convoluted? Trying not to be spoilery!)

Erin *Proud Book Hoarder* says

Again the page length was trimmed and this one comes across too short, but it was a good story regardless and the police investigation a little more complex than previous books. I loved the beginning at the Thanksgiving table and the ghost arm, then the angst of apartment hunting.

It's probably the best mystery so far in the series - Vic has to use his detecting skills and follow confusing leads, sometimes getting help from ghosts for once. He has to interview people, visit crime scenes, the full-fledged detective duty but with paranormal sting. The turnout with that was sweet in the end and I liked how the ghosts ended up helpful for once. I don't fully get what the villains were trying to accomplish, but I liked the detective work and the new partner. I get a kick out of how he unnerves other detectives and some of the animosity there because of him being a talented member of the 'Spook Squad'.

Victor remains an awesome main character - the way he tried to appear somewhat manly around his new partner was funny (the driving, talking to the people are the door hoping he's not challenged in front of the

partner), how he slips on almost everything when outside, his awkwardness, his internal sense of humor....really, he's awesome. It's funny seeing Vic partnered with new people, while I sit here hoping it will work out.

Crash makes a brief appearance, but I don't find him that interesting. Lisa is still there via phone and there's a unique hitch in their relationship. Still loving Maurice, but he was only mentioned in this one only by name.

There's sex scenes of course, too many, but still a strong enough story that made this one fly by. I blinked, it was over, and I wanted the next one.

Kelly says

[And yes, they're an official couple no

Susan says

Look, I'll keep this simple.

I ADORE VICTOR BAYNE!!!!

Book 3 has Vic at his neurotic best. And getting to know him better with each book of this series is such a treat. Poor guy is traumatized and the accommodations he has to make in his life because of his "gift" of talking to dead people are exhausting. But, I'm bought in...totally invested in him...and I want to be there with him every step of the way...(*What happened to you, Vic, at Camp Hell. I need to know...yet I'm scared to find out!*)

Jacob is one sexy-muthaf'er. He's not terribly interesting. He plays a totally secondary role. He's one of those "dirty talkers" (blech!). But, I just LOVE his devotion to Vic. And I love what he provides for Vic. He's solid and he'd do ANYTHING for Vic (threesome w/ Crash? Don't do it!) Their parts together in this book make me HAPPY!!!!

Of the first 3 books, this one had the least prominent mystery plot, and I'm ok with that. I'm also REALLY ok that 100 new characters didn't muddy the waters in this one either. Keepin' it simple. I loved the househunting storyline and the treat of sitting through Thanksgiving dinner with Jacob's family! Fun, fluffy stuff...ya know, in the midst of all the blood and guts and bones of dead bodies...

They're BOYFRIENDS...they're gonna COHABITATE! WAHOOOO!!!

"He slipped his hand around the back of my neck and pulled me toward him for a kiss..."

'Why did he do that?' said Tiffany

'Because he likes me.'

'But you're both boys.'

'Sometimes boys like each other that way.'..."

...and thank god for that! :)

Did I mention that I ADORE VICTOR BAYNE????!!!!

Shin Mon Thway says

Oh Vic, only you would encounter such circumstances! ? Well guys, it's official. Victor Bayne is meeting Jacob's family. Talk about "we didn't see this coming". Can you imagine Vic having a thanksgiving dinner with Jacob's uptight family? ? You know it's bound to be disastrous and boy, weren't we right? Even after asking Lisa whether there will be any ghosts in Jacob's family home, Vic sure managed to encounter a paranormal incident. ? And we all know the calls from Sergeant Warwick is never wanted but may be for this time, the call to come back to the precinct ASAP possibly rescued Vic from a tight spot with Jacob's family. And it wouldn't be Vic if his new partner at work turned out to be a solid good as gold kind of guy. Nope, after getting through 2 partners after his former partner Morris' retirement, which both ended up being catastrophic, Vic is now stuck with a guy who can't seem to do anything right AGAIN! ? Meanwhile, Jacob is going on a house hunt for the perfect apartment for them to move in. And because it's our Vic, it's turning out to be equally cataclysmic. ? Meanwhile, people are vanishing out of thin air and it's up to Vic and his new partner to find them in time before it's too late. Or may be it's already too late? ? But even if the world is ending the next week, there's one good thing going on in Vic's life. Jacob, who never gives up on him and whom he still has no idea what he sees in him. ? And yes, finally the "L word"! ?? Vic knew how socially awkward and secluded he is and he still can't believe Jacob loves him, HIM, a level 5 psychic who needs to pop pill all the times to simply cope, well, not that bad anymore since he met Vic. ? And he knows that he just need to keep believing in Vic and their love and there may be a silver lining for them after all? ? Sometimes, the worst circumstances leads to the best possible outcome and that might be the case in our two MCs trying to find a perfect abode for them while solving the mystery case of people missing suddenly. ?

Oh wow, seriously. Jordan Castillo Price manages to impress me more and more with each book of this PsyCop series. ? I still can't believe I had the honor to receive ARCs and review the entire series. And hats off to Gomez Pugh for nailing the narration of these stories every single time! ? How is this getting better with each novel? This seriously reminds me of days me being totally hooked waiting for the show "Castle" in front of the television. Somehow, Kate and Castle kinda remind me of Jacob and Vic, minus Vic being mischievous as Castle but still equally awkward-funny. ? And I'm now officially addicted to the love making scenes of Vic and Jacob. I admit, I unashamedly listen their kitchen scene 3 times. ?? LOL, if you are curious, you need to listen and find out yourself. ? And despite these stories being a single PoV of Vic, I find out more and more about Jacob with each and every story. His voice in the story is subtle but exceptionally strong and enthralling. And his background story surely intrigues me. I can't wait to know more about him in the future. Storywise, the mystery wasn't that thrilling yet really scary and unexpected. ? I didn't see that one coming, again! ? And I'm glad this book is more focused on the relationship between Vic and Jacob. I'm sad to see Lisa and Vic drifting

apart in this book a bit though I'm sure she'll come through in the end. ? Now excuse me ladies, I need to grab my headphones, go under my cozy, fluffy blanket, blank out the world and immerse myself in the next adventure of Vic and Jacob. ?

4.5 I want to see Jacob every morning I wake up stars

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Disclaimer: An audio of this book was provided by the author for an honest and unbiased review.

Shurrrn says

This series is getting better and better with each book.

"I'm trying really hard to be a decent boyfriend," I said. "But I think I might not be cut out for it."

Six weeks after the whole kidnapping/GhosTV/amped up paranormal activity incident, Vic is still on leave from the department. You'd think Vic would use the time for rest and recuperation after his ordeal, but no...

Vic has faced off against murderers, ghosts, and all manner of terrifying things, but he's about to face his biggest challenge yet: Meeting his boyfriend's family!

The boys are spending Thanksgiving with Jacob's family in Wisconsin, and Vic is seriously rethinking his new found sobriety. Falling off the wagon seems mighty alluring when faced with inquisitive kids, Catholics, and the disembodied arm of Jacob's uncle bleeding all over the dry turkey and cranberry sauce.

The holiday getaway is mercifully cut short when a Chicago Alderman's son becomes the newest victim in a string of mysterious disappearances...

No evidence,
No pattern,
No suspects,
No Leads,

And poor Vic is teamed up with yet another new partner....

Detective Victor Bayne

I was thankful that Zigler was willing to interview everyone. In fact, I would've been more comfortable if he could just call all the shots and drag me along like a really expensive and high-maintenance piece of forensics equipment. When everything was said and done, wasn't that all I really was?

Vic was in his element in this book - talking to ghosts to solve his case, and pulling leads from his spirit witnesses. There's no evidence that the missing persons are actually dead, so Vic and his new partner are canvassing their houses and last known whereabouts looking for lingering ghosts.

Vic doesn't come into contact with any undead versions of the missing people, but there's no shortage of helpful chatty ghosts around to point him in the right direction.

Vic is understandably weary of his new partner. He hasn't had the best luck with partners since Maurice retired. The new clean-cut detective seems like a by-the-book kinda guy, but at least he doesn't seem like the type to kidnap Vic and experiment on him...

Detective Jacob Marks

I wouldn't have thought I'd like it, since I'm so twitchy about being restrained. But when Jacob wraps his body around mine, I feel more like he's shielding me than engulfing me.

I think I fall for Jacob a little bit more with every book. He is the perfect companion to balance Vic. He's so warm and tender, and just lovely to read.

While Vic works long hours on his case, Jacob is house hunting. Finding a new place that meets his specifications *and* isn't being haunted is a tall order.

Following leads from junkie ghosts,
Investigating high-profile cases,
Interviewing family members,
Basements of horror,
House Hunting,
Catholicism, Voodoo, &
Brushing off advances from Jacob's ex...
Just another day in the life of our favorite detectives...

As I said before, this series is progressing wonderfully. Each book has been well written and engaging. There are new obstacles - personally and professionally - for our characters which keeps everything feeling fresh and interesting.

I end each book satisfied, yet excited to continue the journey!

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R * A Reader Obsessed * says

3.5 Stars

This next chapter following lovable, slightly socially challenged Victor Bayne, sees him adjusting to his new work partner as they investigate a trio of missing persons. On a personal front, he's in a more established relationship with boyfriend and fellow cop Jacob Marks, and I loved reading about them as a couple.

The author continues to inject quirky insecurity in Victor's voice - he's not the suavest detective out there, and he's got to be the most squeamish medium around! Like Jacob, I found him to be loveable and relatable, faults and all. He's a bit inexperienced in the relationship department but you can see he's making an effort and wants to be the best boyfriend back. Also he's coming into his own and acquiring a little more confidence and assertiveness on the job which was fun to witness. As always the hot factor is still high in this (with a touch of dirty thrown in this time) - and I say that's always a good thing.

Nancy says

Posted at Shelf Inflicted

In the third installment of the Psy Cop series, Vic and Jacob are spending Thanksgiving with Jacob's family. Vic wants to be a good boyfriend and tries to wean himself from the Auracel that prevents him from seeing ghosts, but keeps him high most of the time. Their Thanksgiving holiday is cut short when Vic gets a call to investigate the case of three missing people, including an alderman's nephew.

Once again, I can't get enough of this series and was flipping pages well into the night. Vic's quirky personality and humor is always entertaining, the protective Jacob provides stability while helping Vic come out of his shell, and the unusual case Vic is asked to solve requires the full use of his psychic abilities.

We get to meet lots of new and interesting characters, some living, and some dead. The sex is always sizzling, as Vic and Jacob's relationship grows deeper. I loved this story and can't wait to find out more about Vic's troubled past.

Vanessa North says

So here's a funny thing. Audiobooks CHANGE how I feel about the text. The right narrator makes a book even more enjoyable for me. When I read this book last fall, I gave it four stars, which means I REALLY liked it and would recommend it.

Fast forward to today. I bought the audiobook pretty much the day I found out it was available. I checked my email, saw the JCP newsletter, went to audible and bought it. Didn't get out of bed or drink coffee or make myself human in anyway, just RAWR BOOK MUST HAVE NOW PLEASE.

And then I waited to listen to it. Because I've been sick, y'all, and audiobooks are for knitting or running. And Psycop audio books are the BEST for running. I've been too sick to knit, let alone run, so the book had to wait.

This morning, I listened to the first chapter while I ran three very slow but at least I wasn't coughing anymore miles. ONE chapter, and I knew that I needed to up my star rating on this book to five. Because for one thing, the book is even more brilliant the second time around, and Gomez Pugh is pretty much the best goddamn narrator I've ever heard. (view spoiler)

throws all the stars like confetti

Shile says
