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I'd run and keep running...

But there was one problem. I hadn't planned for Ashton Montgomery.

He was a distraction I couldn't allow. Not if I wanted to stay safe. I had to remain distant, but he was relentless and had other ideas.

I caved because I hadn't thought it all through, not in detail.

If I had I would've realized that you can only live in a fantasy world for so long before everything came crashing in around you.

And those lives you've destroy along the way, make you no better than the monster you were trying to break free from.

How could I have been so careless? It wasn't meant to turn out this way. But the Rush of my freedom took control and I forgot how important it was to keep the secret of who I had once been.

And now I had nothing...

Only the fear that the man I'd run from would find me again, and finish what he started.

## **EARLY REVIEWERS ARE LOVING IT!**

--Rush, is written superbly. From start to end all the words piece together beautifully. The story line flows easily through a very solid foundation. The angst ranges from light to heavy to "damn my breath has gone". Rush is indeed a Rush of epic proportions!

## **Rush Details**

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## From Reader Review Rush for online ebook

### Becky Rendon says

Running from an abusive and powerful man has Kinsley constantly looking over her shoulder. She's trying to move on from the news that changed her life and made her get out. She will be strong. Fake it 'til you make it, right?

It wouldn't be so hard if Ashton Montgomery would just back off. The man must never hear the word no. No she won't go out with him. No she won't be in his bed. No she won't think about him and his kisses...Alright she is already failing at that one but...

Yup, Kinsley knows he's trouble but she can't seem to hold back when they are in the same room. But secrets have a way of being found and Kinsley can't afford to be found...

A tale about a man who won't quit and the woman who could use his brand of everything...Sweet, sexy, and too good to be true, Ashton makes everything seem better. He makes her feel alive. He makes her want.

Yeah, not so much faking now. But what happens when all the secrets and lies come crashing down?

It's a sweet story with a hot alpha who won't take no for an answer. Yeah that was redundant, an alpha who won't take no for an answer, silly me. A woman "broken" by her past learns she was really just hiding in the dark.

reviewed for The Sweet Spot Sisterhood

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### Victoria says

**3.5 RATING-** Surprised that I ended up liking this one as much as I did. Guilty pleasure for sure but well done. Woman on the run story, man whore who falls hard and pursues heroine harder, some sexy dirty talk, and very readable writing made this a quick enjoyable read.

I have several books by this author that I picked up as freebies on my Kindle (although this is the first I've actually read so far and I purchased this one) and am glad to find her writing works for me. I definitely plan to pick up the next book in this series when it releases.

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### Lisa Mulvihill says

#### One of the best

This is one of Ms. Harms best books to date. Kinsley and Ashton felt so real. Kinsley was on the run from an abusive husband when she met Ashton and sparks flew. While rediscovering herself she found the love she needed from Ashton.

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## Coco.V says

?FREE on Amazon today (8/19/2018)!?

Blurb:

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## Jos says

4.5 Stars

SPOILERS AHEAD!!!!!!

I absolutely loved this story:) The characters were great, the storyline was heartbreakingly beautiful and yet so heartwarming and the sexual chemistry between Ash and Kinsley/Keira was off the charts. The love they felt for each other was so pure and true and just amazingly beautiful!

Now, why not 5 stars, well 2 things, I hated the scene in LA when he took off after finding out the truth

behind her "wall" and for that, I hated him and also the ending as great as it was, I wanted and desperately needed so much more:) I hope that in the books to come about his brothers, I will get a definitive HEA for these 2 because they both sure as hell deserve it, lol!!!!!!

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### **Sweet Spot Sisterhood Book Lover's Blog says**

This was the first book I have read from this author and it certainly won't be my last. The balance of strength and vulnerability that our heroine possessed was amazing and well written. Our hero was an incredibly tantalizing alpha male with the perfect balance of dominance and tenderness. Just delicious. The storyline was gripping and a real page-turner and I kept waiting for the shoe to drop... the trouble to appear around the corner. I was truly as paranoid as the heroine rightfully felt. The struggles, hesitations, and feelings of betrayal rippled through me right off the pages just as it did for the characters. The dual points of view gave us a great sense of who each character was and how they experienced their journey through this story. I can't wait to read the next book, *Heat*!

I would recommend this book to all of my friends!

\*reviewed by Sweet Spot Sisterhood

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### **Anne Milne says**

This is a new to me author and it definitely won't be the last one I read.

Kinsley and Ashton are fabulous characters, as the story develops we get a real insight into their personalities and what makes them tick. At the start Ashton is a bit of an as...le he comes off as cold and aloof. He has everything I love in a bbf, he's funny, sexy, successful and demanding with a filthy mouth. When we meet Kinsley at the start my heart broke for everything she has gone through but a chance meeting gives her the chance to change her life.

From the moment they meet you can feel the attraction in the air the chemistry between the two is scorching hot. Loved all the flirty banter between them . The story is at times heartbreaking but it's fun and flirty so if you like a strong protective alpha man and a woman who is strong but doesn't realise it then you will love this book.

\*\*\*Reviewed For Sweet Spot Sisterhood Blog\*\*\*

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### **Kimberly says**

Ashton Montgomery you made me fall hard and fast for you with your dirty mouth and your insanely sweet side. But when you started the alpha male possessive act I was completely done! There was no turning back.

Rush is book one in the Montgomery Men series and I am completely hooked! Like every other CA Harms book, it had all the feels and left me in a big puddle of swoony goo! It's hot, super sexy, a little sweet and a lot dirty!

Ashton is single, rich and living the dream life. He has his brothers, his friends and a woman in his bed whenever he wants. See? Dream life! The day that Kinsley walks into his office is the day everything he thought he wanted changes. She's a challenge that he never expected but one that he is definitely up for.

Kinsley is strong and independent. And she's running from a past that she's desperate to escape. As hard as it is, she has learned to live a life that doesn't allow for long term relationships. But she's feisty and sexy and she's ready to take her life back. Ashton Montgomery may be just what she needs to make it happen.

Gah!! These two are perfect together!! This book has such a perfect balance of intensity and emotion that you can't help but fall in love. It's sexy, deliciously dirty and super hot!! I love Ashton's devotion to Kinsley and his determination to make sure she stays in his life. He's the perfect alpha male with that just right combination of "you're mine" and "you're so beautiful that you take my breath away every time you enter the room".

This book is so well written that you can feel the emotion pouring off the pages. With enough angst to keep you on your toes and heartfelt moments that will have you swooning, you're going to fall in love with these two. I loved the secondary characters (I want Lex to be my BFF) and the banter was light and fun. I can't wait to learn more about Beckett and Knox. I have a feeling that this series is going to be CA Harms' best yet!!

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### **Brianna at Renee Entress's Blog says**

5 Stars!

It is no secret I am a huge fan of this author. From the first time I read one of her books, I was hooked. And since then, I keep coming back with each new release. I expect a lot from the author and the Montgomery Men series is one I am looking forward to in the future. This book was so amazing. It had an intriguing plot, flowing story line and gave me all the feels while keeping me on the edge of my seat. Ashton stole my heart.

Rush is a sexy new standalone and first in a brand new series. This book was sexy, sweet, fun, intriguing, captivating, intense, and had the most beautiful happy ending. This book took me on a range of emotions, ups and downs but when the pages quit turning, I knew that each moment I experienced in their journey was worth it. Ashton stole my still beating heart and Kinsley marked my soul. Get ready for their story.

Kinsley is running. She is running from an abusive husband and a past that she can't seem to shake. Just when she is months into safety, Ashton walks into her life. He is smart, intense, demanding, powerful, and... the man who makes her heart skip a beat. But her secrets must be kept close. Can she open up herself to Ashton and let him in? Or will the past come barrelling back in, leaving her alone and fighting?

Ashton's life changed when he locked eyes with the sexy brunette who gave as good as he gives. Problem, she seems to want nothing to do with him. He wants to scale her walls and break them down. He knows she is different and plans to show her. Excerpt, he didn't expect the truths she keeps hidden or the stories behind her scars. Can he find a way to get his girl and keep her safe? Get ready for one epic love story.

I highly recommend this book.

Review Post--> <http://reneeentress.blogspot.com/2016...>

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### **Bette Hansen says**

#### **Excellent**

An excellent story, exceptional writing, and great characters made this a fantastic read. Ashton and Kingsley/Kiera area perfect together and a great story of how our past doesn't have to control our future when we trust the right people. Definitely a recommended read.

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### **Emily says**

Kinsley has put up with her domineering husband and his abuse because it was the only way to get her father's healthcare taken care of. She sees a piece of herself die though every time he cuts her down or abuses her. When she realizes her husband hid her fathers death from her, it is her breaking point and fortunately a woman helps her escape and find a new identity and life. Kinsley has no plans on ever getting involved with a man again, but when billionaire Ashton Montgomery makes his interest known she isn't buying it.

Ashton can't stop thinking about Kinsley who he only knows as Kiera. When she finally agrees to see where they chemistry leads too, Ashton can't get enough Kinsley. As they begin to build a future together, Ashton feels like Kinsley is hiding something and when he finds out what, how will he react?

I was drawn in from page one and captivated until the very end. I get why Kinsley was weary of telling Ashton the truth about who she was, I was surprised by Ashton though when he finds out. I am eager to read next in this fantastic series.

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### **Lauren says**

I loved this book; Rush is by far C.A. Harms best book. The storyline of this book instantly gripped me. I couldn't put it down! The emotions in this book are intense and on point. Kinsley's story gave me the feels, there wasn't one emotion that I didn't feel whilst reading Rush. Anger at Jase. Ugly crying for the pain Kinsley felt at losing her father. And happiness for Kinsley and Ashton's love and relationship. The storyline for Rush is on point, and consistent throughout. I seriously cannot wait for Beckett's book! I need it right now! Kinsley's story is heartbreakingly beautiful!

As soon as Ashton saw Kinsley, he turned full on Alpha. He tried to win her over on their first meeting. But Kinsley went all sassy on him. He wasn't looking for a relationship, he didn't want one! But as soon as he met Kinsley, he knew he had to have her! He tried his hardest to win her over, flowers, a fancy breakfast and sneaky set ups planned by his assistant, Lex.

When Kinsley gives in to her attraction to Ashton, their chemistry is sizzling hot! I liked how Kinsley felt remorse for lying to Ashton; she clearly didn't want to lie to him. If I am being totally honest, I thought this book would be Dark and slow to get into. But although Rush has the power to break your heart within the first few pages, it is light hearted and an addicting read. – Definitely one to add to the Re-read list.

Kinsley is a sassy women hiding beneath a broken shell, the further we get into the story, and the sassiness starts to break through more and more. I loved how Lex stood by Kinsley when the truth came out.

Kinsley Hellman has been through hell, she stayed in an abusive relationship to protect and help her dying father. She finally has the courage to leave, to escape her personal hell. After getting a new identity, now known as Keira she meets Ashton and she is instantly attracted to him, but she can't risk a relationship. She lives in fear of her ex husband finding her and hurting her further. But Ashton wants Keira and he isn't going to give up easily. When Keira finally gives in to her attraction to Ashton, they soon grow stronger as a couple, but how will Ashton react when he learns the truth of her past? Will Kinsley ever be safe? Will Ashton and Kinsley get their happily ever after?

A must read of 2016!

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**Sharon ☺ is an emotional book junkie ☺ says**

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**Lydia H says**

CA HARMS' BEST BOOK YET!!

I'm not sure what the author did while writing this novel, but OH.EM.GEE. she certainly NAILED it. Now, I've LOVED all her other books, but this one....this one was just so much better!! WOW! I was HOOKED and I seriously could not put this book down. The story line had more depth, more emotion...GAH! I don't know quite how to explain it, but this book was just EPIC.

Ashton was DELICIOUS and Kinsley was a strong heroine. I loved how despite Ash being an alpha male, he knew how to treat and love Kinsley, especially after everything she had been through. I loved seeing her character grow and come out of her shell alongside Ashton. It was truly heart-warming.

The plot had angst-driven scenes, hot and passionate moments, and some humor too (LOVED LEX!). Ashton's brothers we SO DAMN SEXY TOO, I cannot help but feel all kinds of excited to see what Ms. Harms has up her sleeves for this series.

FIVE MUST-READ STARS!

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**Books Laid Bare says**

Relationships, not a chance Ashton Montgomery had given that a try and was sworn off anything long term from now on and there was no shortage of willing bedfellows.

Kinsley Hellman has experienced the worst the world could throw at her, at the hands of her ba\*\*\*rd of a husband Jase, he was one sick mother\*\*\*er and she was little more than a possession that he could do what

he wanted both too and with.

Staying through fear and obligation, Kinsley finds out in the most despicable of circumstances that the main hold Jase has over her has gone, but the fear that he has instilled in her doesn't mean that she feels able to get away from him, luckily for her she has someone in her corner that night that takes matters out of her hands and is able to get her away from him and into the safe hands of a group of people who will do everything they can to help her start again.

Six months later and she is living in New York under her new identity and beginning to find her feet, he knows that she has the people she staying with last at her back, they are like family to her now but she also knows that's he has to make a new life for herself, so with a little apartment and a new job she is doing what she can. But she never banked on meeting the force of nature that is Ashton Montgomery.

The man was simply breath-taking, he had a presence that sucked the air out of her lungs but she knew that no matter how handsome Ashton was she couldn't get involved, she had to keep herself safe but there was no way that Ashton was going to take no for an answer and this sassy spitfire had his interest working overtime. She is a challenge he never saw coming but one he has no intension of backing down from, Ashton Montgomery does not lose, this is a man that gets exactly what he wants and from the minute Kinsley stepped foot in his office and verbally slapped him down a peg or two, he has wanted one thing...her!

Ashton was super, rich and super successful but that doesn't impress Kinsley, after all Jase had all that too, but Ashton is everything that Jase isn't, he is so kind, so loving and she was always swimming against the tide, she was always going to give in and date him, the man was relentless.

I loved his possessiveness but wasn't sure how given her history that was going to play out, I thought it might have been tougher for her than it appeared. But what was hard for her to deal with was the web of lies that she continued to weave on an almost daily basis, it was eating away at her but she couldn't tell him the truth, even though he had made it clear that he would never lie to her and that truth was a paramount consideration for him.

Together they were fabulous but the spectre of not only her past but the deceit is always bubbling along in the background, a ticking time-bomb almost. So when Ashton gets an uneasy feeling that there is something painful in her past that he can no longer ignore and he asks his brother Beckett – a PI to look into her past. The truth is devastating for him.

Reacting poorly and rashly to the content of Beckett's investigation, Ashton calls time on their relationship, but is that it, are this perfect couple over for good?

The pickup from Ashton's return from L.A is swift and Ash's possessive nature swings into full effect, I won't give away what happens but let's just say that Ash and his brothers Beckett and Knox stop at nothing to make sure that she is finally free of her demons.

There is a wealth of fabulous characters but I would like to give a huge shout out to Lex, Ashton's fabulous sidekick, who is more than willing to give his boss and careful nudge in the right direction and eventually Kinsley's best friend, he was just superb.

I loved Kinsley and Ashton, they had a realistic undertone to their story, I liked the fact that the author didn't sugar coat the seriousness of her situation.

I am looking forward to reading the next of the Montgomery Men Series and I hope that we get a little more from Kinsley and Ashton too.

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