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Keith Kelley doesn't normally take kindly to strangers, but his flashy new neighbor has long legs, lips made for kissing and might prove too much temptation for a boy hiding his sexuality in rural Idaho. Unfortunately, between working his mom's goat ranch and land disputes with his wealthy father, Keith has enough problems. He doesn't need the best sex of his life threatening to expose his precarious secrets.

Real estate developer Max Levin vows to turn the one-stoplight town of Pookataw Valley into a quaint vacation destination...and then leave before the dust clears. Given his next assignment starts in five months, Max shouldn't start loving the quaint little town—the ranchland, the mountains, even the goats. If only Max could stop thinking about his sexy neighbor and the time they shared in the front seat of Keith's truck. Because he especially shouldn't fall in love with a guy who can't openly love him back.

In a town the size of Pookataw Valley, nothing stays secret for long. If Keith wants to hold onto his birthright, he'll have to fight for his land and his pride. Most of all, he'll have to fight for Max before he slips through Keith's fingers.

Warning: contains angry parents, horny ranchers and snarky city boys just asking to be hogtied.

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## **From Reader Review City Slicker at the Horny Goat Ranch for online ebook**

### **Shelby P says**

I like stories about farmers, cowboys, and ranchers and especially when they are isolated and then find another gay person to be their soulmate. Sounds cheesy but I like cheesy.

This was a fairly simple story. It would have been nice once Keith came out of the closet for us to get more reaction from the townsfolk since he was so worried about that. I wanted to know the reaction of the guy who fixed Max's car. I think he would have been cool with it. I also wanted to know Frank's reaction. I think he was the lead ranch hand or something.

At one point I didn't like Keith very much but then he wasn't so bad anymore. I wanted just a bit more detail on exactly how Keith's dad screwed his ex-wife out of the land. Also why all of a sudden is the dad telling Keith about his part of the land in the trust. I didn't buy the reason we were given and wanted more information. Could have made for a more intriguing story.

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### **Justin Nova says**

2.5

Didn't love this one like I was sure I would. The story was fine but the writing (especially the dialogue) was awkward and hard to follow. Plus I just didn't warm up to the characters as much as I would have liked. I did like Max but wasn't buying the guys as a couple.

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### **Mandi Schreiner says**

I missed the emotional connection in this one. I feel like we just skim the surface with this relationship

I do like goats though :)

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### **V says**

2.5 stars ..say no more

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### **Susan says**

### **DNF at 50%**

I can't take anymore. This book is just weird.

Weird interactions, weird dialogue.

Some examples:

Max has just met his new neighbor Keith. Keith takes Max home because Max's car is in the shop. They stop at Keith's house. And of course it is perfectly normal for Max to take a shower there and to make lunch for Keith and his mother wearing nothing but a towel. Yup, I do that all the time!

And how these guys talk to each other.

*"I like to shop local when I can."*

*"Okey dokey, Levin."*

*"You're funny, you know that, Kelley?" Before he knew what he was doing, he pushed Keith in the shoulder—and damn if he couldn't feel the swell of Keith's biceps through his jacket. Max snatched his hand back, not sure what had gotten into him. "Yeah." Keith coughed into his hand, looking flustered.*

Wait.... did I miss something funny? Because this was awful.

And if my MC finds someone attractive I want to read all about it. I don't like it that Max thinks that Keith is slightly attractive and then sums up all of the things that are wrong with him. I never felt the attraction. Even during the first make out scene it's more of a contest who can blow the other one better. I didn't like it.

If I can't connect with the characters and I honestly don't like them I know I won't enjoy the rest of the book.

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## **BWT (Belen) says**

[outs himself (hide spoiler)]

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## **Bark says**

There be goats. So I bought it.

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## **Veronica of V's Reads says**

This review was written for Joyfully Jay Reviews.

Keith Kelley has been hiding his true feelings about a lot of stuff: his sexuality, his frustration over giving up college, and his parents' acrimonious divorce top the list. He lives in rural Idaho, in a place called Pookataw

Valley that is being overtaken by developers creating vacation homes for rich people. Keith's family trust owns millions of dollars of prime ranch land, yet his mother and he eke out a living farming meat goats on the Horny Goat Ranch—so-named to shame Keith's philandering father.

Keith is rather pissed to learn his dad sold a prime piece of land neighboring the Horny Goat. And, he's not best pleased to learn the cute, young, stranded motorist he towed out of a snowbank is the land's new developer. Max is a lithe, well-turned-out, gay man, and Keith's never brought his hook-ups even within the county line, so having all that sexy temptation within eyeshot of his back porch is really a stress.

Max Levin is not sure what to make of Keith. He's young, but big and strong. Curious but standoffish. And, best of all, Keith is kind—genuinely kind. He helps people out because he can, not for any agenda. They have great chemistry, despite Keith being completely different from Max's usual type. Unfortunately, Keith is closeted. Max doesn't want to live in a closet, but he also doesn't want to be a monk for the next several months. A casual relationship would be ideal, but it comes with risks—namely outing Keith in his conservative hometown.

This is a light read that still has lots of heart. Both characters are good guys who need a solid partner, but are afraid to commit for valid reasons. Keith's parents are not likely to be amenable. His relationship with his dad is already strained due to his continued assistance at his mother's farm. Keith is due land from the family trust, which he could forfeit if he father is opposed to his lifestyle, and his mom might just kick him out if she finds out. Max doesn't have the same issues. His parents have long known his orientation and don't care at all, but he's constantly on the move, developing real estate for his company. How can he ask a guy to settle down with him, when he'll have to move every five or six months? Especially when Keith is pretty-much tied to tiny Pookataw Valley.

The connection between Keith and Max is very sweet, and soon more than they can just ignore. I was taken by Max's revelations of how arousing it was to have a partner who was so masculine. He'd been used to nubile, hairless partners and Keith's muscles, body hair and manly scent is unexpectedly appealing. I also got a laughing cramp when Keith encountered Max's at-home waxing kit. Oh, man!

Because they are nearly the same age, Keith's mom is thrilled that he is "friends" with Max, well, until the big reveal. As much as I detest when parents are not immediately accepting, I was struck by how simply real those scenes felt. And how crushing they were for both Max and Keith. I appreciated the way this story unfolded over several months, allowing for reconciliation—on many fronts. Keith is probably the bravest character I've read in a while. He has serious financial stakes to lose by coming out, and he makes a choice that a lot of people might not.

The progression of this relationship from casual to serious was really rewarding. There are some nice sexytimes and really tender moments. It's a fun, quick read that can be finished in an afternoon.

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~☆~Døni(ela) ♥ ?? love & semi-colons~☆~ says

**RANCHER + CITY SLICKER**

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**TOTAL WIN!**

This book came out of nowhere, and I really liked it!

It was FUN, cute, polished, and entertaining, an easy read with two likable MCs.

*(But no actual horny goats, so don't be going there.)*

Max works for a land development firm. When he finds himself in bumfucking Idaho, he thinks he's the only gay man on the moon.

**Not so, Max. NOT SO.**

Sexy rancher Keith hits on Max from day one. Sadly, Keith is scared of his own gay shadow, and Max doesn't know what to do with the rough country boy. Besides lick him all over, of course.

What starts off as a friendly-neighbors, then friends-with-benefits arrangement turns into more, MUCH MORE, like lube and massage oil and suck-me-in-this-truck-NOW kind of more.

Keith's mom throws a hissy fit, and Max has to reconcile his concept of home, but the Horny Goat Ranch builds heroes, not quitters.

**I loved the juxtaposition of slick, I-wax-all-over Jewish boy with red-neck, yes-I-actually-wear-Western-shirts cowboy.**

*Keith was up to the task. He even bet he could teach Max a few tricks.*

*"Bet I can make you call to Jesus." Keith pushed Max back in his seat, and took him in a long, fast suck.*

*"You know I'm Jewish, right?"*

There was some hot lovin' here (probably not enough for my tastes, but I'm a perv like that) and enough feels to make me go googly-eyed.

**This is a deliciously light story, fluffy around the edges with some cowboy meat in between.**

Plus, KIDS (of the goat variety) and a pretty damn sweet epilogue!

I dare you to resist.

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## Paul says

What a fun read! How can you not smile with "Horny Goat Ranch" in the title?

There was just about everything I like in this book. Low angst, laughter, growing together, acceptance, goats and kids, and a lovely HEA :)

Keith and Max are hot, sexy, and funny together. The story keeps up the pace and doesn't drag.

This book just went to my "take me to my happy place" shelf. If you're looking for a read that will make you smile and help you find your "happy place" grab this one!

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## Jewel says

Ok, I admit that it was the title that caught my eye. But the story was what kept me reading. I love "fish out of water" stories, and Max, being such a city boy, is definitely out of his element in right edge of nowhere Idaho.

Max Levin, our city slicker, is a real estate developer. His job is to travel around from job-site to job-site making sure that the development goes as it should. He's never anywhere more than a few months, so he really has no roots. He tends to not mix much with the locals since he doesn't intend to stick around, but he does make the effort to blend as well as he can. He wasn't prepared for just how out of the way he was, though, until his car gets stuck in a snow bank and he can't get cell service. Getting rescued by a very cute (and closeted) country boy can only be trouble.

Keith Kelley lives and works at his mother's ranch - the Horny Goat Ranch. Yep, they raise goats. Keith is gay, but never hooks up so close to home. He is closeted and has no intention of changing that any time soon. Pulling Max's Mercedes out of a snow bank and discovering that he is the one that will be developing that plot of land next to his ranch is just too much temptation, though. One hookup, leads to another and another... and Keith and Max are hot together.

I loved *City Slicker at the Horny Goat Ranch*. It was a hot bit of fluff and not terribly angsty and the ending was melt-worthy.

Definitely recommended.

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## Angela says

I was in a rut when I read this and it fit in rather perfectly. Not too long, no big drama, cute guys, plus a goat farm called the Horny Goat...what's not to love?

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## Ele says

### 4.5 stars

After reading this and David's Selfie , I ' ve decided that I like light, cute and low angst Daisy Harris better.

Keith is a closeted gay goat rancher .And I mean really, REALLY closeted bordering on paranoid sometimes.

Max is a city boy who has come to Keith's small town for buisness. The attraction is instant. At first they become friends with benefits, but their feelings for each other grow day by day.

This was a great read and it had many of the qualities I like in a book ; **slow burn, a little bit of angst, great narrating pace and it was really engaging. The epilogue left me happy and warm.** Oh, and it contains the hottest goat carrying in history.

Plus look at these cuties

Highly recommended !

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## Aerin says

### 4.5 stars

I loved this book! The best written by this author so far. I liked the characters a lot, and I loved how naturally their relationship progressed from friends-with-benefits to boyfriends/lovers. It was very believable and I really appreciate there was no insta-love!

I also really like how different Keith and Max were, different backgrounds, different life styles, but none of that mattered when it came to how well they fit together. And I loved that epilogue, it was perfect!

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## ~Kristin~ says

### 3.75 Stars

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