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*With their hearts' desires on the line, nothing can stop the Montana Men*

No one knows better than Colt Kendrick that life can change in an instant. He lives without regrets except for one: not making the gorgeous woman he sees every time he walks into the local diner his.

Luna Hill is haunted by the heart-stopping kiss she and Colt never should have shared. Their timing has always been off. Just as sparks begin to ignite again, she is offered a job that will take her far from their ranching town. But when a dear friend dies unexpectedly, leaving Luna a staggering gift, she has a chance to stay and finally make her long buried wishes come true—even ones that involve the sexiest cowboy she's ever known.

Not everyone is happy with Luna's good fortune, and as they make their feelings dangerously and abundantly clear when she falls in their crosshairs, Colt will do anything he can, risk everything he has, to keep her safe. Because Luna showed him he has a heart...and it belongs to her.

## Her Renegade Rancher Details

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## The Romance Book Disciple (Samantha) says

Link to full review below! Another enjoyable addition to this series! See full review on The Book Disciple

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### Valerie says

Who doesn't love a good cowboy? Sexy, hard working and just plain yummy - I'm in. I don't read many cowboy books but I do always seem to enjoy them. Maybe I need more cowboys in my life.

This story is about the love between friends, family and lovers coupled with the drama that can happen when some don't get what they think belongs to them. Luna is a good person who has worked hard trying to do what's right. She befriends an old rancher that just needs a friend. His family is far from the friendly kind. And when he dies and leaves her his ranch, that family is willing to take awful steps to get what they believe belongs to them.

But mostly this story is about two friends that shared a kiss and then blamed themselves for making a mistake. They've stayed away from each other for far too long and it's time that stopped. Wayne pushes Luna to Colt so they can forgive each other and a friendship begins that both of them needed more than either of them knew.

There is a sweet love story here intertwined between the drama that the reading of a will can cause. And that's the part I loved the most. It took me a while to feel these characters but when I did, I fell for them. I loved Colt - his manners, his kindness, his patience, his consideration, his sexy mouth! I loved Luna - her determination to do what was right and her bada\$\$ efforts to protect what was hers. I hated Josh and the aunt who shall not be named with a fire and passion that had me rattling and raving at them! I felt sorry for Uncle Harry and the two daughters. Simon had me guessing and hoping. So many emotions tells me the characters were real.

The story is enjoyable if not a bit predictable. The sweet love story is satisfying with a good balance of kissing and story progression. The heat level is moderate with nothing really graphic. Not a lot of concentration on the operation of a ranch but more on the people that live there. There is a starry night and a few scary moments balancing to make a great read.

It's a great way to spend an evening cuddling with cowboys, kissing and family drama. If that appeals to you, pick this one up for sure!

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### Lyndi W. says

**3.5 stars maybe?** This one was kinda weird. I really enjoyed the dramatic plot and the character development. The romance worked well for me. But there were *quite a few times* when I was just confused

as to why a character would do or say something, like it made no sense for that to be their reaction or response regardless of the character. I just mean normal human beings don't act like that. For instance, everyone seemed to have inappropriate expository dialogue that would have sounded very awkward in real life. And the FBI doesn't test the boyfriends of victims to see if they really love her or not.

I worked myself up for a twist at the end that never happened - (view spoiler) - but I still really liked the plot and how it ended. I think I would recommend it?

As I was reading it, I kept thinking "I'm definitely mentioning that in the review" but the ending was really great and left me with such a fuzzy warm feeling that I'm just kinda like "Well, all the annoying stuff before wasn't that bad". But at one point I was wondering if Jennifer Ryan actually wrote this because it made so little sense and I think she's too good of an author to not make sense. So I mean... I liked the book a lot, but it was fucking weird to read at times. Not weird things happening in the story, the weird is all experienced by the reader.

Just take that how you will and read it if you want, I guess.

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### **Kindling Micky says**

This is clearly part of a series of interconnected stand alone stories but this was my first jaunt into this ranch series. I did not feel like I was lacking any previous information to be able to enjoy this story.

I did find an initial jolt into full-on drama at first but I truly got into this book by 20%. The drama does ebb and flow. I'm partial to a cowboy and Colt fit the bill very well, he was a noble man with protective instincts. I was glad to see that Luna the heroine called him out on any over-protectiveness and she really was a strong woman, able to handle other troublesome family members. I really liked these two characters and they had good, bubbling chemistry.

The story line kept me invested, I enjoyed the sabotage plot. Josh and Simon were spineless but made for good reading. The description was good, helping me to imagine the ranch, the house, the animals and Colt. Overall, a good, easy read.

A copy of this book was provided by the publisher through Edelweiss in return for an honest review.

Reviewed for Jo&IsaLoveBooks Blog.

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### **Yesenia Gonzalez says**

Another great story by Jennifer Ryan.

We finally find out what happen between Luna and Colt. These two have been dancing around each other until Luna's favorite customer tells her life is too short and that she should talk to Colt. When they finally make up there at the dinner, Wayne her elderly man who was sweet on her died in front of her from a heart attack. When Waynes horrible family find out that she will be inheriting the land and most of the things they are livid and want her to sell. Luna only ways to keep Wayne's memory alive and she has been wanting to have the a special needs ranch to help others. Colt knows the family won't stop but its his job to keep her safe

because from when he first met her he knew she was his and he would love her. When the family start to get more violent luna must decide to sell to keep Colt safe or risking her life and not back down. Great story I've been waiting for this can't wait to read Ford's story.

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### **Bette Hansen says**

These Montana men just keep getting better and better!! Colt and Luna are a great couple and the suspense and twists and turns in the story made this a great read. I highly recommend.

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### **Christine~justlovemybooks.com blog~ says**

Absolutely amazing! Jennifer Ryan is one of my favorite authors.  
Romance, suspense and sexy cowboys!  
My Rating: 5 Stars!!!!

"Her Renegade Rancher" Montana Men #5 by author Jennifer Ryan.

What an amazing addition to this romantic suspense series. I have read every novel Jennifer Ryan has available and have loved them all. They are romance, yes, but can be pretty dark and intense. If you've read her "The Hunted" series then you know what I mean. I completely ignore my TBR list when Jennifer has a release. I don't need a blurb to preorder or one-click her books because I know they will be great. If you love romantic suspense, cowboys and Montana, you will love this series!

In this novel I felt like I was playing a game of "Clue." There were many suspects, all with reasonable cause to make trouble. I changed my mind several times while trying to guess. This novel had me enthralled. I love how Jennifer can make me wonder if the obvious guilty are innocent and the innocent, guilty.

Our hero, Colt Kendrick is the youngest of three brothers. Along with their grandfather, they are hard working, loyal and love each other unconditionally. They are always there for family and friends. I love them all but of the three Kendrick brothers, Colt is my favorite. Well at least for now because Ford's story hasn't come out yet.

Colt and Luna.....

Colt was best friend's with Luna's boyfriend and he felt guilty for his more than platonic feelings for Luna. Even after she broke up with her boyfriend, he tried to stay away believing it was wrong. Bro-code and all that. But one night they shared a life changing kiss. Ever since that kiss, Colt and Luna stopped speaking and avoided each other. Of course there was a misunderstanding that I won't go into because it's better if you read it yourself.

Luna Hill works at the local diner. At least for now. She was offered a job out of state that would allow her to put her degree to use. But can she leave Montana and her friends? It's because of her friends that she will have another choice.

All at once Luna finds herself in a situation where all her dreams are coming true. But instead of enjoying her good fortune, she is fighting to stay one step ahead of the danger that is suddenly unraveling around her.

Not of it her fault, of course.

I can't say enough how much I loved Luna as a heroine. I did not have one single critique with her character. She was loyal, loving, kind, honorable and always stayed true to what was right. Another aspect of this story I appreciated was that Luna and Colt, once they became a couple, were solid in their feelings for each other. The angst of this story, although effected Colt and Luna, was not caused by them. Colt and Luna were perfect for each other and I believed in their love.

The next book features middle brother Ford. We get a teaser about his story at the end of this one. His story hints to another suspense. I predict tension and angst and of course, a lot of romance. Ford's story may be the last in this series unless Jennifer introduces new characters. I will be sad if it's the last. But then again that mean a whole new series to look forward to.

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### **Ann Lorz says**

There are just some authors that you can't get enough of and for me that's Jennifer Ryan. I just love her books. She has so much happen in her story that at times you'll sit back and think, 'really'?

But even with them sometimes being a little far-fetched, you will find yourself wanting...no, needing to read them.

Her Renegade Rancher is book #5 of her Montana Men series. I'm really loving this series. Now I can't say it's any better than any of her others because to be honest, I love all her series equally. But Her Renegade Rancher is one of my favorite books of hers.

Okay, Colt is one of my favorite hero's of hers.

You might feel like you're shaming me because I have the hots for a FICTIONAL character but you'd be wrong. We all have to have our fantasies and today's in Colt Kendrick's.

There is just something about the Kendrick brothers. All of them are so...hot! For some reason Colt called to me more than the others, (please be nice to me and don't read my Goodreads reviews on this author because you might find that I fall for all her hero's. Let's keep that between us)

There is just something about about how loving and caring he is towards Luna, not to mention protective. He's got it all. Just add in hard working and what woman wouldn't want him.

Now I don't want you to think that the story is all about Colt, because it isn't. Luna is in the story too. I really enjoy her. She's so nice to everyone and when all her dreams land in her lap instead of jumping up and down with joy she thinks about how it will affect others.

Like I said, a good person.

You'll like them both and the other characters that join them in their story (well maybe not the bad guys) and not be able to put it the book down until you're finished.

If you haven't yet read a book by Jennifer Ryan then you are missing out. Hurry and order them all and then

kick everyone out of the house because you are not going to want anyone to disturb you until your finished with them all. Butter hurry up, she's got a novella called *Snowbound* at Christmas out in ebook November 15th and then Ford's story *His Cowboy Heart* out February 21st.

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## 1-Click Addict Support Group says

Everything I love most about the *Montana Men* series, and indeed, about Jennifer Ryan's writing can be found in this one line...

**He used to run wild, now he ran to her.**

Achingly romantic, sweet and sexy, gruff and more than a little tough, these cowboys have a way of melting my heart (and my panties) without ever losing the badass nature that makes them so... Delicious. Loving. Kind and protective. Strong. And sure.

So very, very sure. Ms. Ryan's stories, as seen with Colt Kendrick and his Luna, leave me so happy, so content, so in love, it's hard not to turn around and read them again immediately. Here, in *Her Renegade Rancher*, I found what I so often find—and adore—about these books. A love that's never in doubt. Do they move fast? Yes, absolutely, but it feels right. It's like a wave of tenderness and hopefulness and heat washes over me, and I never want it to end. Add to that the tension and mystery, the suspense that comes from the outside—pressuring the relationship, strengthening the ties that bind—and you have a story that is captivating and addictive.

It's simple really; I couldn't put this book down. I've been patiently (for the most part) waiting for Colt and Luna's story since their rocky past became apparent in *Stone Cold Cowboy*, and it was worth the wait. Because Colt was...possibly my favorite of all the *Montana Men*—which is saying something, because I've loved each and every one of them—and I adored his strength, his commitment to the things, the people he loves.

Like Luna, who I too loved. Her kindness and willingness to believe the best in people, to give second chances, while still sticking to her guns. She wasn't a pushover, but neither was she a hardass, and that worked for me. The relationship she formed with Colt was beautiful and my heart soared as they came together, worked side-by-side, protecting *each other* in a relationship that felt, to me, to be very balanced.

I've found, in each of Ms. Ryan's books that I've had the pleasure to read thus far, a consistency and a familiarity that make her books a sure thing. A guarantee that I'm going to close the book feeling good, feeling connected, feeling like I can't wait for more. Which is, again, true of *Her Renegade Rancher*. Colt's brother, Ford is up next—I haven't even touched on the relationship between the families in this series,

which is a shame because the playfulness, the banter and the connection they share is magic—and I'm already excited for it. Excited for more lines like the one above, and this one, which seems like the best way to end this gushing review...

**“You may think I have a wild, reckless heart, maybe I do, but all I know is, it belongs to you.” ~ Beth,**  
5 stars

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### **The Book Junkie Reads . . . says**

Contemporary, western, small town romance. Fate has a way of getting what she wants. Colt and Luna had their chance at a beginning but things just didn't quite workout. Now there may not be a chance to find out if long held desires can work or not. Or did fate decide to step in one more time and see what would happen on a second chance at everlasting.

Luna has set herself ready to leave the one community that she has found her love in and now must part with him. Colt had been keeping his distance and it was time for her to move on. That was until an unfortunate event took place leaving Luna with a better option. Watching things unfold for Luna and Colt was sweet and romantic, yet with an edge of suspense. Why? Why was the question lingering? As events unfold, things become clear and truths are revealed.

There were twist, greed, resentment, and chemistry. The angst built as the romance blossomed. Misunderstanding just need a little time to get them straightened out. This was a well written addition to the Montana Men series. We get a little of the others from previous stories and a look at some future characters in books to come.

I have to admit that I fell into Jennifer Ryan's writing earlier this year. She one of my new author's this year that has had me very happy to come back again and again to read her stories. I got to know the Montana men from the very beginning. I must say that I look forward to each new release. The characters are rich and endearing. The men are hot, sexy, strong, loving, kind, delicious, decadent, protective and proud. The women that they chose to love have their own set of fire, brass, strength, loving, kindness, and bit of protectiveness also.

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### **Kristin says**

Did I ever tell y'all I kissed a cowboy once? He was a real, honest to God cowboy who worked a ranch down in Okeechobee, FL. He was soooo cute...

I won't even explain what the heck I was doin' in Okeechobee. It was a loooooonnnng time ago ;)

But that is where my LOVE of cowboys and stories with cowboys in them started. I love stories with the soft spoken, hard working, tough guy who is nothing but a gentleman to the ladies. Yep, I like a strong guy :)



Surprisingly, **Her Renegade Rancher** gave us that plus a little bit more... *feelings*. Jennifer Ryan gave us a cowboy who knows his way around the ranch and can hold his own. But Colt Kendrick, the youngest of three brothers, feels the loss of his parents but doesn't remember their presence. Colt has this hole, or emptiness, inside him that he just doesn't quite know how to fill. He certainly doesn't imagine a girl would do it. Especially someone he doesn't think he should have a thing for, like Luna Hill.

Luna and Colt have a bit of a past that was alluded to in the previous book, **Stone Cold Cowboy**. We finally find out why these two silly kids are "dancing" around each and not exactly speaking. Once Colt and Luna get their "business" settled and appear to be on the road to.... something, a wrench gets thrown in to gum up the works, per se. There's a mystery, sabotage, mayhem, and all kinds of romance in this pretty fast paced romance. And I LOVED IT!!!

But what I loved the most? Our heroine, Luna, was one smart lady! I'm pretty sure I've seen this in Ms. Ryan's other *Montana Men* books I've read, because Ms. Ryan does NOT write dumb romance. Neither her characters nor the plots are stupid or full of holes. Granted, the "bad guys" WILL do dumb things, that kind of has to happen because villains are commonly driven by stupid emotions. But as I was reading this story, I was just so pleasantly surprised to find Luna doing smart stuff and *\*gasp\** helping herself!

I'm surprised that this book is listed as 400 pages long because it really didn't feel like it was that long. I think the story flew for me because of the type of story it was. You knew there was a small mystery to solve, some characters that needed their asses kicked, and as a reader, I wanted to savor the entire process.

Mega happy ending dance!

The next book, **His Cowboy Heart**, features the middle Kendrick brother, Ford. It's due out next February :)

Contemporary romance readers who like small town / country settings and appreciate the dynamics that come with living in a small town.

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## Cheesecake says

DNF at about 50%. I did skim to the end and yep, the story went exactly as I knew it would. That would be fine if the characters were interesting or if there was some humour or something to make it worth my while to finish it. But no. Blah blah blah.

Colt is a dumb\*ss who kissed Luna in a previous book, when he thought she was still seeing his best friend. She wasn't. They had broken up weeks before that and it boggles my mind that he didn't know that... 1. it's a small town, 2. he's supposedly your best friend and you didn't know??? And the whole story starts with this contrived plot device. That was the only thing keeping them apart apparently, but Josh spends waaaaaay too much time winding Luna up but never making his move. All I could think was 'sh\*t or get off the pot man!'.

Both Colt and Luna were boring people with dull conversation skills. The 'bad guys' were cartoonish.

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### **? Kimberly says**

Colt Kendrick is the youngest Kendrick brother and he stepped aside when his best friend claimed the girl, but his friend is now married, and a shared kiss has left him feeling guilty. Colt is a totally swoon worthy rancher who had no trouble curling my toes. :)

Luna Hill is haunted by the kiss she and Colt shared. Advice from an old friend has her approaching Colt again and maybe just maybe the timing will be right. Luna is a local server, who just finished her degree and dreams of working with special needs children in an equestrian program.

Her Renegade Rancher had such an interesting and suspenseful story wrapped around this romance. A dear friend of Luna's passes away and leaves her with a gift that could make all of her dreams come true. It also comes with huge responsibility and not everyone is happy about it. In fact, her very life and those she loves are threatened. Oh, what a tangled web greed weaves, and Ryan did a fantastic job with this thread. I was hooked, from the terms of the will, to the bottom-feeders. Some twists, and heart-stopping moments had me flipping' the pages.

There is a little back history between Colt and Luna in this story, but some may cry insta-love. However, I was perfectly willing to swallow the little blue pill and became quickly invested. Colt and Luna are such sweet characters. They are both thoughtful, humble, and just genuine people. I needed wanted them to have all the feels and happiness they deserved. Ryan delivered delicious chemistry, tenderness and curl your toes moments.

Next up is Ford's story in His Cowboy Heart. It releases February 2017 and I cannot wait. Her Renegade Rancher delivered a story that pulled me in and emotionally connected me to the characters. Secondary characters added suspense, humor and beautiful moments creating a well-rounded story. This review was originally posted on Caffeinated Book Reviewer

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### **Lover of Romance says**

This author never ceases to amaze me!!! This book was different and fun with some good emotion attached to it!! I loved how this one follows pretty quickly after the previous book. Fabulous addition to a great Contemporary Western series!!! Review to come closer to publishing date!

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### **Bette Hansen says**

#### **Loved it!!**

These Montana men just keep getting better and better!! Colt and Luna are a great couple and the suspense and twists and turns in the story made this a great read. I highly recommend.

