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During a week in the wilderness, Lannis learns her hijacker is fair and honorable, compassionate and insightful—strange attributes for a criminal. And when he discovers her secret, he vows to be the friend she desperately needs but refuses to accept.

Will she come to terms with her past? And will he be part of her future?

Hijacked Details

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Cheryl says

Such a great story!!

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Who knew you could read a romance without all the graphic and explicit sexual encounters and still enjoy the story. Leslie Lynch writes with such eloquence and grace that even the violent events were so real without terrorizing the reader. As a survivor myself she captured the inner struggle and dialogue that victims party offer and over in their heads. The trials of not letting that event define you as a person and the outside demons that try to help mask the pain. Ben and Lannis' relationship starts off so rocky but his character is so decent he always seems too good. I really enjoyed the Christian values Lynch uses to support Ben's moral convictions and to not take advantage of Lannis when a man of lesser character might have right from the beginning. Superb writing and storyline. I am so excited to find and read more of this refreshingly clean and yet great author's work.

Sandy Loyd says

This is a story about healing and finding hope where none existed. I really enjoyed the character development and the twists and turns in the story. Watch out for this author!

Erin Cupp says

From the very first chapter, I was hooked on Hijacked! I don't think I've ever read a stronger first chapter--one that grabbed me by the throat and wouldn't let go. Throughout, the characters Lannis and Ben are complex: endearing yet never saccharine. The plot veers from heart-pounding action into tender introspection without missing a beat. In Hijacked, Leslie Lynch shows us how two very imperfect people brought together under perhaps some of the least romantic circumstances one could imagine could in fact find themselves while finding love in each other. I'm greatly looking forward to reading more from Leslie Lynch! Read Hijacked, and you will be, too!

RedRedtheycallmeRed says

There were only a few reviews when I purchased this book, and none of them said anything about it being Christian fiction, so it threw me a bit. Nothing against Christian fiction, but as an Atheist I generally tried to avoid it.

The first part of the book was pretty intense and it grabbed me right away. Lannis is getting ready to fly a plane and Ben kidnaps her and the plane and he takes her on the run for days.

Ben annoyed me throughout the entire book. He kidnaps Lannis, punches her in the face, continually threatens her and then is pissed when she doesn't trust him? WTH? At one point she gets his gun and I was hoping she'd shoot him! If he'd just been honest about being an undercover cop, things could have gone so much more smoothly. Then later, when he pops back up into Lannis' life he becomes even more insufferable. He's high-handed and smug and never really considers that a lot of her problems might be because HE KIDNAPPED HER! I'd think he'd be exhausted from being everyone's moral compass.

I liked Lannis in the first part, she was feisty and resourceful. But in the second part she just morphs into this pathetic mess that can't function without Ben telling her what to do. So much time was spent in her head, it really caused the book to drag.

I did like reading about the airplane stuff, that was well done.

Krista Hall says

Excellent debut by Golden Heart finalist Leslie Lynch. A Civilian Air Patrol pilot herself, Lynch delivers a well-drawn protagonist in pilot Lannis Parker. A heart-warming story of redemption and healing.

Lisa Kinard says

Wow what a great read!!

This is my first book by this author. I love the style. The storyline was awesome. I read it in three days. I loved the main characters. Great morals in the story. No sex. I have already purchased the next book in this series.

Sandra says

I could not put this one down, what a great read. Set in Louisville, KY, a young female pilot gets ready for a flight, but it's not what she expects. Enter Ben, her passenger and everything changes in a hurry. Lots of tense, suspense-filled moments, in flight and out. She has secrets, and so does he which makes for some humorous, and heartbreaking moments, adventure, and so much more.

From Amazon:

Book 1 of The Appalachian Foothills series

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Anna Marie says

I'd never read a book before from a Catholic viewpoint. Never thought they held strong enough convictions for that. The good news is, they don't - while 'inspirational', it was barely that.

Mostly it was a good book with some hard-hitting topics. Alcoholism. Rape. Forgiveness. Abandonment. Trust. Kidnapping. But it's done in a really good, really smooth way in this book.

Lannis is a pilot with some severe baggage. Having been victim of a brutal rape, she turned to alcoholism and shut herself off to everyone... until the day she met Ben. Ben - an undercover cop - hijacks her plane and engages in a week-long kidnapping to ensure his (and her) safety. But he feels responsible for her trauma from the events, and when he tries to check up on her, she's on a binger. Ben helps her to get the help, without the book turning into a pity-party or tedious drag.

It's a really good read - the perfect mix of action and affection. The character development, the writing, the story... it was all very good. LONG - it took me forever to finish it - but very good.

Bernie says

Hijacked review

Hijacked is the first book in the Appalachian Foothills series written by author Leslie Lynch. This book is well-written, but I expected more action and suspense.

Jeanie Jackson says

An awesome book that starts with adventure and develops into a wonderful human interest romance. When Ben coerces Lannis to fly him out of Louisville her old terror kicks in and has her fighting him all the way; DEA agent Ben wants to relieve her fears but believes that any knowledge she has of him could endanger her life once she returns to Louisville. He has no idea of her background but who wouldn't be terrified even if the hijacker promised his victim that she will be returned unharmed. But the story doesn't end there. After his job is done, Ben reaches out to Lannis and guides her through some harsh realities that have kept her locked down for years.

I love these guys and can't wait to read Unholy Bonds!

Barb says

This suspense novel written for a female audience moved me to tears at one point, and kept me reading far more than I really had time to do. Lannis is a strong main character, even as she deals with struggles against physical, psychological and spiritual odds. You'll find yourself rooting for her. Highly recommended.

Jo Haight says

This is a great read...suspenseful, interesting characters, enough detail to give a good sense of place. I look forward to more books in this series! (Full disclosure: I'm related to the author, but haha, I'm only saying it because I'm proud to be related to the person who wrote this!)

Karri Hasse says

This is a great book, it kept my interest all the way through.

LeeAnn says

Christian fiction at its best. Interesting characters and plot plus basic tenets that are blended into the story -- not beating one over the head. Adding author to those whose other works I will look for. Definitely recommended.

Cynthia says

I thought I knew at least a little of what to expect from a story with the title Hijacked, but boy was I surprised. Yes, a plane is hijacked, but very little of the story takes place on the hijacked plane. The rest, and the bigger story, is the relationship that develops as a result, starting on a wilderness adventure. That relationship is unsettling at times, and readers may question the motivation or good sense of one character or the other, but that kept me reading! Through two points of view, the author builds suspense and reveals layers of the main characters' personalities and histories. I admire the skillful writing as well as the engaging story, and I appreciate learning some interesting details about flying small planes.
