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She never intended to take a husband...

Scotland, 1817

The Duke of Manchester's sister, Lady Sarah Lacey, always abides by the rules of etiquette. Fate, however, has no such confines. On a journey to the Scottish Highlands, Lady Sarah is set upon by misfortune-leaving her without carriage or chaperone, and left to the mercy of a kind and handsome gentleman. Whom (in order to secure a room at an inn) she announces is her husband.

When she proclaims they're married in public, Professor Braeden McKinnon can't bring himself to correct the lovely Lady Sarah. After all, her reputation would be ruined. Nor can he tell her that her proclamation is not only legally binding in Scotland, but sharing a room is considered to be an act of consummation...

Now they are bound together until death do they part-even if Sarah has no intention of becoming *any* man's wife.

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Katie Michaels says

I liked the idea of this story: an English lady traveling to meet her sister, ends up accidentally married to a Scottish gentleman. But the execution fell more than a little flat. I wasn't a big fan of either main character. I found the story predictable. And I had essentially no emotional connection to the romance or any character in the book.

As we begin, Professor Braeden McKinnon is on his way home from Edinburgh University, when he comes across Lady Sarah and her maid. The women had been in a carriage accident and need help getting to shelter. When they all discover they're headed to basically the same destination, the three end up traveling together. Then the maid gets sick and you can figure out where things go from there. Sarah and Braeden end up traveling alone. Inevitably, their need for two rooms can't be accommodated and to spare herself some embarrassment, she tells people she and Braeden are married. Which by Scottish law, makes them actually married.

Braeden is obsessed with getting a letter inviting him to an expedition in Rome. Sarah is bent on returning to London to celebrate the publication of her book. These two plans cannot co-exist. Sarah recognizes that the needs of husbands are expected to supersede the needs of wives, so she gnashes her teeth a lot and tries to put some distance between herself and her husband... but doesn't ever actually talk to him. Just as he never actually talks to her about what she might want for the future.

Every single plot development in this story centers on a miscommunication or utter absence of communication. There are no surprises. Everything you think will happen, happens. I didn't like Sarah, who felt like a whiner who never gave her husband a real chance. I didn't like Braeden when push came to shove, when he had to choose between his own dreams and those of his wife. I didn't like Sarah's sister, her brother-in-law, or her mother, who basically had no support for her wishes. The attraction between Sarah and Braeden was lackluster. And the ending was saccharine, tied up with a neat little bow.

This book has a fair number of good reviews here, so perhaps it may be more your cup of tea. But it was not for me. I didn't hate it, but I didn't really like it either.

Rating: C-

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Hannah says

ARC REVIEW

Book Six in Callie Hutton's Marriage Mart Mayhem series, I liked this book more than the other book in the series that I read. The characters were amusing and well written. Lady Sarah is headstrong and a take charge type which gets her into trouble, also lacking the common knowledge of Scottish ways. Braeden McKinnon

is the black sheep of his family, where everyone else takes care of the family sheep herd he is the youngest professor to ever teach at Edinburgh University. These two very intelligent headstrong people end up in a Planes, Trains, and Automobiles type situation. It was an amusing and aggravating read; aggravating because Sarah is too stubborn and at times selfish and amusing because the situations they found themselves in at the beginning were fun. It's almost as if someone said the famous last words, What else could go wrong?

Lady Sarah promised her sister that she would be there for her when she had her baby. That means Sarah must brave the wilds of Scotland. Dragging her borrowed maid with her, she endures a never ending domino effect of bad things happening. The only good thing to come out of it was meeting the handsome professor Braeden McKinnon, and that for a time didn't seem like it was a good thing. Sarah has no problem in being the lady, taking charge wherever she goes the only problem is that she doesn't know anything about Scotland and in her panicked thinking she married herself to Braeden without even realizing it. Braeden is immediately taken with Sarah, she is brave and intelligent as well as beautiful. He has absolutely no hope of ever being with her, him a professor and her a Lady, a sister of a Duke. But then Sarah doesn't stick with the plan of telling everyone they are brother and sister and marries him. Braeden can't believe she did it, even if she did it out of ignorance it's done.

When they finally make it to her sister's house and the truth comes out Sarah and Braeden must face the consequences and marry for real. Unfortunately they each have their lives and marriage has no place in it. Sarah has a book being published and her publisher wants her in London to tour bookstores and meet fans, that how confident he is in her book. While Braeden is waiting for his acceptance in an expedition to Rome, that he has been waiting for for two years. Now back in 1817 the wife went where the husband went her life was his life and that is what Sarah is scared of. Braeden may be proud that she is a great writer and that her book is being published but her place is with him, but he loves her enough to let her have her life. Sarah should be happy but now she misses Braeden, she feels like an outsider in her sister's home, and her mother is giving her the guilt trip from hell.

Overall, it was a nice read. I liked the characters, I understood their motivations and I almost think Sarah announced that they were man and wife subconsciously because she really did want to be married to Braeden.

Elaine says

Rating: 3.5/5

I remembered reading "The Highlander's Choice" by Callie Hutton, the fifth book in the Marriage Mart Mayhem Series, with pleasure so when I had a chance to read this next in the series book, I jumped at the opportunity.

This story is set a year after the earlier novel, in 1817. The Duke of Manchester's sister, Lady Sybil Lacey, married Laird Liam MacBride the previous year and is now expecting to give birth soon. Her twin sister, Lady Sarah Lacey, is trying to make her way to join and support her sister, accompanied by a much older maid, but the journey is fraught with misfortune, starting with her usual maid being unable to accompany her, then horrendous weather results in her carriage crashing, killing the two male servants escorting her and her maid - and that's just the start of the calamities!

The young, handsome, genius, Professor Braeden McKinnon is travelling home with a colleague from his

post at Edinburgh University when they encounter the two ladies by the side of the road. They ascertain that the carriage and servants are beyond help and agree to help the ladies to shelter in the next Inn. . . . and so the journey continues with many more disastrous problems, but you'll have to read it yourself to discover what they are and how two people who both are determined not to marry end up accidentally married to each other!

The characters are well defined and easy to relate to. I really appreciated the appropriate use of Scottish dialect and terms but suspect these may prove difficult for some people. However, I couldn't believe some aspects (especially the attitude of Lady Sarah to the possibility of being pregnant!) and it is a somewhat predictable tale but still a great one to escape into and a good addition to the series, though I confess to enjoying the earlier book considerably more.

Thanks to the author, publisher and NetGalley, too, for letting me read an ARC of this book in exchange for this, an honest review.

Eva says

It's been quite some time since I read a Highlander Romance novel so when I found this one at Netgalley I decided to give it a try.

Callie Hutton's "The Highlander's Accidental Marriage" is the 6th book in the "Marriage Mart Mayhem". I've not read all 6 yet, only Sybil's story.

Lady Sarah Lacey is travelling with her maid in a carriage to Scotland because her twin sister Sybil is about to have her baby but on the way north they have a carriage accident, people and animals are killed and in the end it is only Sarah and her maid who survive. They are rescued by two University professors but only one is travelling north, the young genius Professor Braeden McKinnon. Young and handsome.

One thing leads to another and one time, after Sarah's maid has fallen sick, she tells an inn keeper that they are married – not knowing that the very open Scottish marriage law sees them as a legal married couple after an annunciation like this to at least two people.

But Sarah doesn't want to be married. She wants her career as a female writer be like Jane Austen's. And Braeden isn't seeking a wife, he's only waiting for a letter to go to the Ancient Rome on an archeological digging.

What I really liked about this books that there wasn't too much Scottish language in it. Not being native English makes it hard to read Scottish dialect because I have no clue about some words. I get used to "slang" easily but the Scottish isn't my cup of tea. The book was in general an easy read, especially language wise. What I thought a little annoying was the way Hutton often had the characters repeat lines if one of them approved something. It seemed unnatural. A nod would have been enough most of the time. The book was also very predictable, e.g. I was 100% sure that there will be a highway man.

I didn't understand how little she cared about her innocence or that she may be pregnant. I mean in a situation like hers – she doesn't want to be married to him and doesn't see him for days and later months, and there is a single line about her courses. Doesn't seem logical in my female opinion.

In general it was a good story with lovely characters.

Rating: 4*****

Cynthia says

Well, I've finally done it. I've managed to shock myself.

This was a cute, quick, fluffy Highlander read!

Sarah is stranded at an inn on the way to visit her sister when Braeden comes in to save the day (though somewhat reluctantly). So begins the road trip across the Highlands! True to the title, shenanigans ensue when Sarah makes the mistake of proclaiming Braeden is her husband, all in the name of propriety...and a warm bed.

Ah Scotland, the land where you can accidentally legally marry someone. I definitely couldn't resist picking up this novella with a plot like that. It was a somewhat predictable story. But it was fun to see if they would work out this accidentally marriage to find true love.

Sarah and Braeden were pretty cute and while it was a fast read, they have many a cute moments. There's a few hurdles they need to jump over (including their own stubbornness) before they got their happily ever after, but overall it was a sweet read.

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Sep 23, 2015 Amanda Richardson rated it really liked it · review of another edition

I have really wanted to read a book by Callie Hutton for a while; I was so glad to have an opportunity to read one of her books and I was not disappointed.

Lady Sarah is traveling to the highlands of Scotland to see her twin sister Sybil and hopefully be there for the birth of her sister's babe. Sarah is having a horrible trip, there is an accident and she and her maid are left stranded, thank goodness Braeden comes along. Braeden is a young university professor in Edinburgh and happens to live n

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Sep 20, 2015 Nicole Laverdure rated it it was amazing · review of another edition

I received an ARC from NetGalley in exchange for an honest review!

Beautiful adventure between an English lady and a sexy highlander!

I really enjoyed Callie Hutton's sixth story The Highlander's Accidental Marriage, in her Marriage Mart Mayhem series. I liked her characters Lady Sarah Lacey and Braeden McKinnon

Lady Sarah Lacey, finds herself in an awkward situation, and requires the help of a certain gentleman Braeden, that she announces as her husband. Braeden will play along, but the situation

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Sep 29, 2015 Meredith rated it liked it · review of another edition

Shelves: netgalley, 2015, historical-romance

I received this book from netgalley in exchange for a review.

This is the first book I read by this author and it is #6 in a series.

I rated this book 3 stars. I think this book will probably be rated higher by people who read the whole series. I felt a little lack in character development. I don't know if this is because I should already know these characters from previous books.

It starts out with Lady Sarah and her maid Alice traveling to the highlands to visit with her sister, when the carriage

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Sep 27, 2015 Fizza rated it it was amazing · review of another edition

Another Marriage Mart Mayhem novel and just as good as all other I got to read. This is a story of Sybil's twin. Sarah is on her way to see her sister in Highlands when she meets Professor Braeden. He is far too young to be a Professor but soon she finds out he happens to be a genius. In any case she needs his help as she finds herself stranded in treacherous roads of Highlands.

Braeden is going home on a break from university. Soon he plans to leave for Rome. Then he meets Sarah and all of a

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Feb 25, 2016 Lori Meehan rated it really liked it

Shelves: 2016

3.5*

I love this series and I loved the characters Braeden and Sarah and all the secondary characters. The plot was intriguing. The chemistry and sexual tension was great and of course a hot highlander. Braeden and Sarah are strong willed people and very prideful and in the end that is what got in their way and clouded their thinking. Words said in the heat of anger break the heart and wounded pride can tear apart their budding love. Will time heal all wounds or prove there never really was a lov

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Oct 10, 2015 Brittany rated it liked it · review of another edition

Shelves: highlander, historicals

I received this from Netgalley/ Entangled publishing in exchange for an honest review. I believe that my inner feminist might have died a little bit after reading this book. This book starts out with a trip that just goes horribly wrong at every turn for Sarah. That part of the story was pretty good. Then, after the accidental marriage it kind of just went down hill from here. Sarah wants to be independent and write and publish her

book. However, her new husband wants her to follow him around li ...more

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Jul 02, 2017 Nikita rated it really liked it

Shelves: highlanders, historical-romance

Lady Sarah Lacey never wants to have a husband. She's convinced a husband will only stifle her dreams of becoming a writer and she enjoys her independence far too much to let a man tie her down. A catastrophic trip to Scotland to see her married, pregnant sister lands her in the path of Braeden McKinnon.

Professor Braeden McKinnon is Sarah's sweet-natured rescuer. He's intelligent, but just as hard-headed as Sarah.

Well, apparently in nineteenth-century Scotland, marriage is as simple as stating y

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Feb 06, 2018 Joan Osborne rated it really liked it

Lovely romance

This was a lovely romance about two people thrown together by circumstances, each with plans for their future that didn't include marriage and love to each other. I found the story entertaining but Sarah's reluctance to tell Braeden about her book rather annoyed me and Braeden assuming Sarah would want to go to Rome on his expedition without considering her feelings was annoying as well. Both Braeden and Sarah were selfish in that neither wanted to change their plans for the other

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Dec 01, 2017 Lisa Jackson rated it really liked it

Hot for professor....:)

I really enjoyed the story of Sarah and Braeden and their 'accidental marriage'. Braeden, a Scottish professor who was different than his rather non-scholastic family, and Sarah a young woman with a secret, meet as a result of a roadside incident. Although Braeden acts the gentleman to assist, things go from bad to worse, but maybe not. The two characters have an attraction to each other that just might make their situation bearable- it certainly heats things up!

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Nov 26, 2017 Cindy Bolen rated it it was amazing

Awesome novel.

I loved it. It was funny, exciting page turner. I loved and related to both characters. Braeden was my kind of man, brawny AND smart. Sarah was a lot like me, stubborn, independent, kind and determined. It was hilarious that they married by a simple stating that they were married in front of two people. All in all it was a unique story.

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Jan 01, 2018 Cely R Bush rated it really liked it

Adventurous

She had a trying time getting to her sister. He become her hero and husband all in one trip. I just couldn't get over how stubborn/selfish she was being by not revealing her secret.

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Nov 19, 2017 Cheryl Liacos-Halstead rated it it was amazing · review of another edition

An interesting well written story! Sarah and Braeden meet on the road and both their lives will change.

Independence is not for a married couple and both will have to learn this lesson. Read and enjoy how love will solve all problems.

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Nov 19, 2017 Kathy Bunbury rated it really liked it

A heartwarming tale of a hard wrought HEA.

A really good romance. Miscommunication and pride stand in the way of this being a very short story. The author does a great job describing the strong emotions and the clever use of the letters is a good touch.

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Nov 25, 2017 Sandra Lester rated it really liked it

Talking

Why can't people talk to each other about their hopes and fears instead of thinking they know what the other person wants. This is the part of a story, and of life, that I find so frustrating.

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Jul 14, 2018 Wendy Davies rated it really liked it · review of another edition

This one was one fun read.

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Jun 09, 2017 Cara rated it really liked it · review of another edition

Love a bespectacled professor hero!!

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Dec 21, 2017 Dawn-Desiree rated it liked it · review of another edition

Cute book, hopes for more though. I loved the idea of a professor as a hero but did not like how quickly they fell in love. That kind of left me feeling meh.

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Dec 18, 2017 Tracy rated it it was ok · review of another edition

Shelves: read-romance

At 21% I'd given up hope of the story turning itself around. I only finished it because I was on a plane.

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Jan 03, 2018 Claudine Kuykendall rated it it was amazing

Entertaining!

I was liking for a fun, quick read ahs this book did not disappoint! I'll be checking out her other books! :)

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Sep 21, 2015 Book Gannet rated it did not like it · review of another edition

Shelves: 1-star, historical-romance

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Nov 30, 2015 Heather rated it really liked it

Lady Sarah Lacey has a set plan for her life which doesn't include a husband and children. She plans to write and publish romance novels and be a doting Aunt to her nieces and nephews. Currently, she is headed north to visit her twin sister and to help after the birth of Sybil's baby. Sarah intends to visit with her sister until her publisher writes and requests her back in London for the release of her first book. Sarah's route to Bedlay Castle has been riddled with carriage accidents, death, i

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Anna's Herding Cats says

Reviewed for herding cats & burning soup.

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Oh be careful what you say! You may just end up accidentally married to a highlander. who's a professor. crazy smart and rocks some glasses. Second thought. Totally do that! Doooo it!! He's yummy!

#SnagYourMan

The quick of it is that Sarah is basically on the worst trip ever. She's traveling to see her sister in Scotland and nothing has gone right. Carriage accidents, deaths, a sickly maid, broken carriage wheels and, well, accidentally hitching herself to the good Samaritan who saved her along the way. It's been a rough go and everything is a complicated confusing mess!

I loved Braeden. He was sexy, smart and sweet. Triple threat, ladies. Triple threat! He was really just a great guy. Fairly easy going and kind. Life definitely threw him a curveball when Sarah entered it but the guy rolled with it. He was patient and kind and I'd so be up for stealing him away.

Sarah. I liked her to a point. Then I wanted to shake her. She's pretty resilient. She came through the trip from hell and managed to do so without losing her shit. She's an author and spirited. But lord help her. She is freaking stubborn and not all that flexible when it comes to Braeden. She caused all their trouble then handled it poorly, I thought, and came off rather bratty. I did like that she finally figured it out though. The ending was lovely and I was happy to see it all come together. There's a little heat though not too much.

I did think some scenes were a little off. There were a few deaths and the reactions to them, well, I would have been a lot more upset than the heroine.

Overall, I enjoyed The Highlander's Accidental marriage. Even with the stubborn heroine. Hutton left me curious and got me all kinds of interested in going back to meet the others couples from the series.

Stacy Reid says

This was a sweet and charming addition to the marriage mart mayhem series. I enjoyed the premise of how the characters got together, accidentally marrying. I have read tons of historical romances and never read such a set up before and I really liked that.

The batter between Sarah and Braeden was good, and the overall flow of the story was interesting. while the plot may have been a bit predictable, I was still compelled to read to see how Sarah and Braeden attained their happy ever after.

3.5 stars

Cathy (cathepsut) says

Abandon all hope in a believable plot. The usual tropes raise their head. Misunderstandings, people too daft to talk to each other, lies of omission, the lot.

Plus, the plot is really very silly. I was rolling my eyes so much, they were in danger of getting stuck backwards. Literary delights like "Her lady parts fluttered..." did not help.

I expected something along these lines, but the story lacked any real tension or humour. Even going in with low expectations, I could not take the story or its main characters even remotely serious.

If you want to read total brain-candy, this is it.

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Markéta says

3 stars! ***

My first thought was: how can you ACCIDENTALLY marry someone? That's physicaly impossible. Even if you marry someone while you're drunk it's not accidental. You might have never intended to do it but it wasn't by accident. You can stumble, drop something, hit someone by accident but marry? Nope. No.

Well, apparently when you are in nineteenth century in Scotland you can marry someone just by saying you marry them. That's it. "Haha, it's like we're married!" Bam. You're married.

Lady Sarah travels from her home in England to Scotland where her sister is now happily married and ready to pop a kid out of her.

Everything that could go wrong, goes wrong. Her carriage falls and kills the driver. Fortunately she meets a professor Braeden who helps her and her maid get to the nearest inn. They decide to travel together and their carriage's wheel breaks. Then her maid falls ill and has to be left behind.

So now it's only Sarah and Braeden. After one suspicious look send their way she proclaims that they are married not knowing what it means.

Want to know what's annoying? Too strong willed woman in contemporary romance books. Want to know what's even more annoying? Too strong willed woman in historical romance books.

In this case it wasn't too bad. Sometimes I had to roll my eyes at Sarah? She doesn't want husband and children because she wants to be a writer and thinks that he wouldn't allow it. I get her fear, it was different time and man used to think that woman are good for only couple of things.

But she doesn't even tell Braeden. She just assumes. And is unwilling to compromise. She wants things her way and that's the way it's going to be.

And because Braeden is a man, he does whatever he wants too.

Do you know how their story ended? In compromise!

The Highlander's Accidental Marriage was not my favourite in the series but it was pleasant enough.

I think that there's still one sister left, so one more book to look forward to.

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