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Will her actions save her marriage or destroy it?

As a publicist for professional athletes, Antonio Vega is used to solving problems and spinning stories to the benefit of his clients. Yet he can't seem to convince his wife that he has been and always will be faithful, and her lack of trust tests the limits of his patience.

Cassidy Hawthorne-Vega grew up in a home rocked by infidelity. When she suspects her husband is hiding something from her, she takes drastic steps to uncover the truth. Her actions result in a confrontation that threatens the bond of their marriage. It's only when she reveals a painful secret from the past that Cassidy learns to accept the love her husband freely gives.

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D.lee says

I really enjoyed Cassidy and Antonio's story. Cassidy had some serious issues and it didn't help having her friend Janice in her ear. As much Cassidy worked my nerves, it was hard not to like her. She was so vulnerably crazy at times, however as adults we sometimes don't recognize the damage we do to our children.

Antonio was a great guy, however he sometimes had his priorities in the wrong place. I do admire the patience he had with Cassidy. I really wanted to shake her, until teeth shattered, with some of her antics. Then there was Janice, we have all had a Janice in our lives. Always in your ear feeding your insecurities and using her own messed up situation as examples. I couldn't stand her. She was a bitter know it all, but Cassidy eventually grows a backbone.

The ending brought a lump my throat. They've come full circle and all is well with the Hawthorne's. I truly enjoyed this book and recommend it. Really good series

Carla wynn says

Last book in the series and it did not disappoint. What is marriage when there are trust issues. Great writing, excellent character development.

Nikki Walker says

Once again I was pulled into a wonderful story by Delaney Diamond! This is a tapestry of challenged love about two people who love each other but are impacted by past experiences. The characters, Cassidy and Antonio come alive right before your eyes while you take the emotional rollercoaster along with them, as they try to navigate real life drama while trying to sustain a young marriage-Challenging! If you have been following this series, this is like the trump in a card game. Ms. Diamond nails it and one cannot come away feeling anything but satisfied with the way the series ends. Pick this up, you won't be disappointed!

Emotonal Reads says

let me get this straight, he spoils an evening with his wife to hold the hands of the woman who had an affair with his brother when she had to their baby to the hospital and thinking to his self that his wife understand because this is family, that seem to imply his wife is not his family. what the heck.

then when explained everything his comment. i hope you are happy now i have betrayed my brothers trust to gain yours. this is his wife he is talking to, his family now, he should of explained everything to her the minute he booked his brother's mistress into that hotel, obviously he doesn't see his wife as apart of his family.

his brother cheated, i don't care why,there is no excuse. the lead guy handled that in the worst way. in this

instance i am totally behind the wife,his lies brought everything on him self and having the wife grovel really pissed me off. she might be wrong in other ways but not in that case.

his brother should not have asked and he should never be willing to lie to his wife so easily. i have no respect for the mistress or the brothers.

Kim says

I enjoyed this story. I loved how it was about an already married couple and issues that arise in a marriage. It wasn't all lovey dovey and happily ever after the whole book which was a welcome change. Cassidy's insecurities did grate on my nerves after a while, but Antonio was always there telling her how special she was and how much she loved him. When the truth came out about why she was how she was I could somewhat understand her feelings but not 100%. I would have rated this 4 stars but Antonio's secret was just not worth the wait. I thought it was going to be bigger than it was and it really took something away from the read for me with all the lying he had to do to Cassidy to keep it. Overall I thought it was a good read.

Deloris says

This is a quick enjoyable read I really like Cassidy and Antonio even though she has issues. I really liked the part when Antonio was at the club that was so good. It was also good to catch up with the rest of the Hawthorne's and Vega's.

Reshemah says

I hated to see this series come to an end. I feel in love with this family and enjoyed all four books. Cassidy's story was just a little bit different. In the first book in the series, Cassidy and Anthony are getting married. In this book they have been married for a year. Cassidy has trust issues because of the problems in her family when she was younger. Delaney Diamond did an awesome job with this story. I know all good series must come to an end, but I would not be disappointed if we could find a few Hawthorne cousins... :-)

Shelly says

It's official, this the last book in the Hawthorne Family series is my least favorite. I've read a fair amount of books, regardless of genre and the heroine, Cassidy is one of most unlikeable characters I've ever read. Although not a medical term – I'm going to label her as crazy. Her actions towards her husband walked a fine line between hostility and psychotic. The sex made everything better though, doesn't it always?

Cassidy and her husband Antonio have been married for about a year. They're not happy because she's not happy. Cassidy suspects that Antonio is cheating on her – all the time. While he's at work, while he's traveling for work - she thinks he's cheating. Antonio has his own PR firm, his clients are primarily athletes. That's how he supports her and the very large home they live in. In the past he's relayed to Cassidy what lengths some women are willing to go through to get to those athletes. I'm not even in disagreement with

him telling Cassidy that information because it's a reality of what happens in the world where he makes his living. However, what I am curious to know is – if he's an good man, which I believe him to be and so should his wife as she married him knowing his occupation, why not trust him until he proves that he's no longer trustworthy.

Antonio hasn't done anything, other than being a man, to incite her suspicions. For this reader, by inference and his lack of a spine in telling his wife what his expectations are when she's railing on about him cheating I'm going to say that Antonio's content in his marriage. He knew of Cassidy's tendency towards jealousy because she's always been that way even before they married. Argh, I wish I knew more about their courtship.

Looking back, the only thing that separates Cassidy's story from her brothers' is that the story takes place after her marriage. Cassidy's idea of marriage was based on catching her husband in a lie/cheating and it confused me because I didn't understand why she even got married. Come to find out that Antonio had to ask her three times. You might ask why? There's some lame excuse having to do with her cheating douche of a father whose sins 'made' the three brothers act like douches in the first three stories – that gets old very quickly.

The secret was so mundane and not even worthy of a mention except it allowed the audience to see Cassidy at her very worse – after spying on her husband to find out his whereabouts she follows him, finds him, accuses him of infidelity then begins to physically assault him. That was so so wrong on so so many different levels. I'll tell ya this and leave it at that - if that was Antonio treating her that way – this book wouldn't have so many positive reviews.

There was so much of this story I strongly disliked, hate to too strong a word but it boarded frequently. And let me not even get into Cassidy's job as an 'ethical' hacker – she used her powers for bad and not good.

I was disappointed in the resolution for their marital woes for a single reason - it was completely absent.

Happy reading folks!

Rating: F

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The Book Junkie Reads . . . says

I devoured this read quickly and with great interest. I have wanted to know the deal between Antonio and Cassidy since book one of the series and then as the books continued the intensity grew more.

Cassidy and Antonio needed to spend more time talking to each other instead of at each other. Cassidy had her insecurities and it was difficult for Antonio to understand them. I could feel the pain that Cassidy was going through and understand the confusion and hurt of Antonio.

Shonnie says

I hated the heroine

I know hate is a strong word but I hated the heroine. I will not reread and this book will go on the NEVER read again list.

She had character flaws that were extremely distasteful and the author couldn't redeem her (in my opinion). She was extremely jealous and overreacted in most situation (I'm not in the medical field but it appeared she had some psychiatric issues). The coffin being laid in the ground is when the heroine physically fought the hero. So not my cup of tea and now I'm mad because I just HAD to finish.

J Samuel says

Enjoyable read from cover to cover

This book was captivating and depicted real life issues in relationships, family and friendship. I admire the closeness of the families and Cassidy's insecurities and trust issues. Ms. Diamond brought all these everyday issues to the fore in the narrative. Well written storyline. I've read and re-read this book over 15 times. Love... Love.. Love. It.... And Antonio really handled his wife like a Boss.... 'You're gonna make me catch a case.....' Lol... Awesome read....

Taz Will says

Antonio is working hard on his new business trying to ensure its success but Cassidy is seeing an entirely different situation. Of course she also has sage advice from her three time divorced friend giving her pointers on signs to look out for to know when your husband is cheating as well. Plus we learn her little secret that she's been carrying around and it puts a tad bit of explanation on her craziness, some of it anyway. Cassidy is really showing out in this one though. The stuff she was willing to do to find out info was a tad creepy.

Antonio was right there with her at every turn though. I'm a bit upset he didn't really hold her accountable for her actions though. I wanted to know why she married him as well with all the drama she was accusing him of. Then again he had his own secrets plus he was slacking on his part of their marriage. He did come to terms with his issues though but I don't feel like Cassidy did. I can't really see this being a healthy situation for either of them though. She's way too paranoid and after so much he'll get tired of it or flip out when she's physically going at him. Not a bad read, I really wanted to see the couple bond even with all the problems. Find a way to really work it out and something to show that Cassidy was over her nonsense.

Malaika says

Great ending to the series

This was a great ending to the series. It's interesting how one situation can affect so many people in so many

different ways. The dad cheating impacted all his children in negative ways. It's good that Antonio loved Cassidy through it. Also great that they all found love.

Connie says

This is Antonio & Cassidy's story! Issues from Cassidy's past almost wrecked her health and her future with her Antonio, her husband. Cassidy's father had a love child with his mistress and Cassidy's mother was so heartbroken about it, she died before her time. This book also updated the lives of the other characters from the first 3 books. Nicely Done!

Frances Perkins says

Past or persen

If you judge every body by the way you was treated and not knowing that every body is different you will hurt the ones you love the most
