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Sadie Dawson thinks she has the perfect life until Christmas Day when a misunderstanding leads to a brutal event that changes everything. Terrified, Sadie flees her boyfriend's wrath, two FBI agents, and her "perfect life." Lost in a Montana snowstorm and desperate for refuge, she's taken in by four quirky guys on their annual holiday ski vacation. As her physical wounds heal, Sadie wonders if she will ever be able to escape the clutches of her wealthy and determined boyfriend. But just when her heart settles, she finds herself abandoned for a religion she doesn't understand. She must discover who has her best interests at heart and who she can trust...before it's too late.

Sadie Details

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Linda Day says

I enjoyed this story. This is the first novel I have ever read that was written by a friend ! Great first book, Rebecca !

Sadie is a mystery/romance. The mystery aspect of the plot is not so much a "who dunnit" as a "STOP him before he does it again" kind of thing. There was good suspense, but I loved the romance angle even more. The heroes were fun and identifiable as individual characters. Often times when there are multiple strong characters in the lead roles, it is necessary to keep a tab on each so they can be differentiated.

Sadie was believable. As this book had an LDS approach, I liked the fact that Sadie had little information about the Church, so not only was she rescued from the frightening threats, but she became curious about the religion of her rescue party. The ending, however, was a bit simplistic. She falls in love w/the boy, and falls in love w/his Church. He falls in love w/her, and waffles about his current girlfriend. Didn't like that part so much. Wished that more time had been spent in resolution. As a member of the Mormon Church, I know that conversion is more difficult than the "tie it up with a bow ending". Just sayin

Kristyan says

Not my usual type of book. This was chosen for book club. It was a fun read- very quick. Obviously an LDS author. Kind of shmoopy and cheesy in places, but in a fun way. Overall I enjoyed the read.

Summer says

This story was easy to read, believable, and adorable! I loved the innocent love developed by the four main guys for the very beautiful and relatable main character, Sadie. LDS fiction has never been my favorite genre, in fact I usually steer clear, but I thought this book was spiritually insightful without being preachy. I loved the contrast of the lovely setting with the monstrous ex-boyfriend. I'm excited to read Augustina! Props to Rebecca Belliston for creating a great first novel!

Karen says

Good summer read that keeps moving. Perfect for a slow August day. Characters weren't complicated, many a bit stereotypical, but she did represent two things quite well: 1) The internal justifications / struggle of one in an abusive relationship who knows it but doesn't see that she ought to leave and 2) The internal struggle of the single Mormon guy who feels like he shouldn't date or fall in love with someone who doesn't share his religious beliefs.

Kimberly Noel says

I didn't realize when I started reading this book that it was an LDS fiction book. I don't normally read LDS fiction books. Usually I look to see what genre a book is before reading it. But I surprisingly really liked it.

Kale Snyder says

Not bad for a first book. The author was a bit long-winded and could have gotten the story across in half the words. Still an interesting read.

Shaylee Chapman says

I didn't care much for this book, specifically the main character. I'm sorry, but she's just extremely stupid. And the fact that her stupidity was literally the only thing that allowed the novel to push forward had me actually rooting for bad stuff to happen to her so she could just see the error of her ways and we could all move on. The action was good at the end, but it wasn't enough to salvage the rest of the novel.

Sharon says

I really enjoyed this book. A great mix of adventure and romance, it's engaging and unpredictable to the end. The plot was well developed and the characters compelling and believable, which can be hard to find in LDS fiction. I'd love to see more by this author!

Cpiper79 says

Sadie is an action-packed romance. The book is very compelling and I couldn't put it down. The characters are great.

I read it again. It was good the second time also.

Amy says

I stumbled upon this book while browsing. When I realized it was LDS (Mormon) fiction I wanted to give it a try because I am LDS and I wanted to see how the author would include that into the story.

It was a quick fun read and I think it would be a great book for my daughter to read when she is a teen. It is clean and would bring up lots of topics for conversation with your teen. Like abusive relationships, dating within and outside of the church and more.

I have added the sequel to my Amazon wish list.

Terri says

For its genre of LDS adventure romance, I'd definitely give this a 4.5 stars if I could. I was lucky enough to get a signed copy of this new novel last month when Rebecca Belliston did a signing in Salt Lake City.

Sadie is a beautiful, young woman caught up in a suddenly abusive relationship that she can't seem to leave because of the time she has spent with her boyfriend up to now and the money and influence he has to offer her. Unable to trust anyone, she runs away on a cold snowy night and nearly freezes to death. She is rescued by a group of young men on a ski week together in a cabin nearby. As she gets to know these young men, a romance slowly develops while she also tries to mend her abused spirit.

Though I found the ending to be fairly predictable, it didn't change the fact that I enjoyed reading this adventure and had a hard time putting it down. I liked the logic that Belliston used to explain spiritual beliefs in a clear way, and the tension that builds towards the end is pretty exciting.

Highly recommended for lovers of romance and LDS fiction.

Terri says

This was a good read. When I got finished, I thought to myself, I wish she hadn't left so many loose ends, but I'm glad it ended on a happy note, and then I googled Rebecca and found out there is a second book, so I'm guessing it will tie up the loose ends. I look forward to reading it.

Thanks

Donna says

Fun, fast-paced romance that is full of suspense and great characters.

Jennifer says

Loved the story! Can't wait to read more from this up-and-coming author. It left me wanting more; so I certainly hope there is another book in the works. Definitely recommend.

Chalene Eber says

Really enjoyed this book! I can't say if I was biased by being a friend of the author (great job Rebecca!), but I thought it was really well done. The characters were believable, it was easy to read, and the suspense was definitely there. Can't wait to read the sequel.

