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Mallory says

3.5 stars

Coco.V says

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Blurb:

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Jenny••Steamy Reads Blog•• says

Dangerous, arrogant, despicable, stubborn, strong, handsome, but underneath the surface of a beast, lies a gentle beautiful kind man. He just needed some help finding him. Cole and Piper have a instant intense chemistry that only continues to build with time. Add little Rosie to the mix and this is darn right one of the

cutest, sweetest books I've read in awhile. Definitely a good read I would recommend to anyone!!!!

London says

One of my biggest pet peeves in romance (besides cheating of course) is when the hero constantly pushes the heroine away. If the heroine is doing all the chasing (as a few reviews have mentioned) I'm just not interested.

Reanell Tisdale says

I came across this book in an author group. The author recommended it and I instantly 1-clicked based on her rec. I started reading right away and finished the next night.

This book was fantastic. I originally had 4 stars, but as I thought about it I realized it deserved the full 5 stars. It was perfect. What I loved most about this book is Rosie. That little girl was absolutely a star in this story. She stole my heart like she stole Cole's.

Cole is a BEAST, and that's his nickname. He's a huge linebacker and stays to himself. Piper is his new snarky agent. She's a single mother (Rosie) and is working for her father. She has to try to persuade Cole to sign papers for the league a right to trade him. Then ensues the battle of persuasion on Pipers end.

This makes for the perfect blend of sexy and snarky. Because Cole is definitely SEXY! Sosie Frost is a new author to me and I can't wait to read more from her! So thank you Rebecca Yarros for the book rec!

Arabella ~?AB?~ says

3.5 Stars, it was sweet :)

Jennifer Kyle says

5 "Cooool" STARS

"Cole Hawthorne – The League's Dirtiest Player?"

Combine elements from my favorite *Disney* movie with a linebacker who is referred to as "The Beast" on the field and a fantastic heroine with her sixteen month old daughter and this made for a win-win read for me. I had a blast reading this story. I loved the characters, the writing and thought the author did a stellar job. Though the story isn't necessarily epic per say, I can't think of anything I would add or eliminate and so this

story gets a 5 Star rating from me.

Piper Madison has taken a job at her father's sport's agency and has been given the task of getting the dirtiest player in the league, Cole Hawthorne to agree to a trade or she will lose her job.

"Cole Hawthorne was a beast. A monster. A huge, lumbering slab of muscle and rage. And he was the most gorgeous man I'd ever laid eyes on."

Getting Cole to agree to a trade is a task that is so much harder than she ever realized.

"All I needed was a signed consent form that state he agreed to be traded. One quick signature, and I could be gone, back home..."

The interactions and chemistry between Piper and Cole was fantastically written and once her daughter Rose enters the picture the level of adorable is added to the mix.

"Christ. Three days ago I broke a man's back. In what universe did Piper think it was a good idea to bring a baby to me? I couldn't be trusted around anything that required a soft touch. My body...wasn't capable of gentleness."

Cole finds himself caring for Piper and little Rose more with each day that passes still his fears get the best of him but have no fear Rose and Piper worm their way into his heart and a readers even with all the walls Cole puts up.

"After all the shit I did in my life, all the isolation and violence, aggression and rage, the last thing I deserved was a princess, her baby, and the fairytale. I wasn't her happily ever after. Even if she was the only one who might have tamed this beast."

It also must be mentioned that the sex scenes were scorching hot as well.

"Fuck, beautiful. I want to destroy you as much as I want to worship you. You have no idea what you do to me."

Cole must learn to trust in his feelings and in himself to have the ending Piper and Rose deserve. The story was enjoyable from start to finish and I wouldn't change a thing and thus making this one good read. It should be mentioned that this is available on Kindle Unlimited and includes two other full length books by this author to boot!

"Make you own happily ever after."

Erika says

3 stars

This was very tough for me to rate. There were some things I really loved; some things I really disliked.

What I loved:

- the interactions between Cole (the H) and Rose (the h's baby girl). It was heartwarming and adorable
 - the few scenes where Cole and Piper (the h) were affectionate and sweet with each other, with no fighting.
 - the one sex scene where Cole actually experiences real intimacy. That was a great one. I liked how pivotal it was for Cole. Connected to that-
 - I liked how Cole experienced love and what it felt like to be loved. All of that was very sweet and touching
 - the football game sequences were exciting and fun to read
 - Cole speaking out for and trying to protect and help Piper with both her dad, and later the baby daddy.
- Love a protective alpha male!!! :D

What I really disliked:

- the first couple of sex scenes were awful for me. As friends of mine here know, one of the most important things for me in a romance is that sex be equally special for the h and H. In these couple of scenes, Cole just basically behaved with Piper the way he had with all OW he'd been with. I just pictured her as nothing different. Meanwhile, she said it was the best night of her life. gag. That may be because - (read next point)
- Piper didn't have much sexual experience. In fact, I may have missed something, but I think she might have only had sex once, with her baby daddy. So, basically Cole had a lot of past sex compared to her and when he behaved like he did with all women, it just didn't work for me.
- references to Cole's sexual past. Things like: having sex was his favorite way to unwind after a football game; how he had pleased many women by giving them the Beast they wanted in bed. How some women sought him out so they could get that exhilarating experience of being with a dominant, aggressive, strong guy (again, this made me feel how not special sex with Piper was **at first**)
- the constant pushing away that Cole did
- the fact that Piper had to basically chase after him throughout the entire book, even at the very end. I wanted him to come to her, after the way he had pushed her away. Even understanding his emotional state, I didn't like it. If you are a reader who wants the guy to chase, I would not recommend this book. Cole never chases.
- Piper's crappy father got off really easy in my opinion. Hated that.

So, anyway, there you have it. I almost DNF'ed after the second sex scene. But stuck with it. I was glad I hadn't quit when I got to the sweet and good stuff during the middle, but then by the end, I was "meh" again.

Ashleyjo says

First half is funny. Second half is a melodramatic snooze fest that..

First Half

Beautiful single mom trying to get a beast football player to sign a trade agreement. She won't take no for an answer on a trade. He won't say yes to a trade. He's afraid to give her beast-mode. She wants his beast-mode. She proceeds to wreck his house. Enter her toddler with lots of funny and sweet moments. Dish a side of her asshole father.

She's a persistent, sassy, and funny chick...

"I raised my chin and faked some confidence. Usually I could get tough enough to dissuade a toddler from licking electrical outlets, but I hoped I could pull off authority against an egotistical , alpha-male, bastard jock."

Despite being an ass, he's a nice guy...

"I did it because that baby gave me a piece of banana."

Their back and forth is funny. His thoughts & interactions concerning the kid are funny. The baby proofing is funny. It's sweet to see a beast turn into a teddy bear for a kid.

And then the second half starts...

Second Half

It all goes to hell. Gone is the funny. The cute is too sparse to GAF. Enter the melodrama, troupe, and tripe.

Beast

I get it already. OMG "beast" is used 73 times and "monster" 38 times over less than 250 pages. Enough. Move on. Too much analysis and over-play of the beauty and beast theme.

Sex

The first sex scene is horrible:

- he treats her like all OW he went beast-mode with in bed.
- they go to separate rooms acting like nothing changed between them.
- no protection used for what both consider a one-off. Unreal considering she's already had one life-altering one night stand that landed her pregnant w/ a baby she struggles to support.

- too much telling, too much focus on *thinking and analyzing* what's going on, and too much grey prose on the technicalities of "beast-mode fucking." It's not a thesis kind'a event, authors!

Second sex scene is almost as bad. He leaves angry and felling kicked because his feelings are hurt that she *likes beast-mode fucking* .. As if she only wants his dick now. GMAFB.

Melodrama

Melodrama becomes the play of the day.

He's angry constantly over the standard line: "I'm not good enough for you." Meanwhile, she tries to both pacify, redirect, reassure, and coddle him all at the same time. Basically, she's ... I love and accept your beast -to- don't be an angry beast. He responds by getting angrier and feeling even more like he's not good enough.

He pushes her away. She chases after him. She goes to him after **EVERY. SINGLE. TIME** & tries to talk, pled, and reassure.

The final hurrah is him telling her he doesn't want her & leaving.

She goes chasing after his ass yet again confessing...

I'm all about fighting for your man, but damn. This chick needs realize what that smell is surrounding her character..

Anyway..

How sweet. Her begging for love works this time!!! Why this time works since nothing new is said from the last dozen chapters of begging and him opening the door ready to send her away? Who the fuck knows?!?!

I'm just glad it's over.

No Payday For Any AssHoles

Clearly, the asshole MMC never grovels once because she's too busy chasing him.

But...

What about the asshole baby daddy's fate.. The dude who sees his kid once in the course of the book and leaves her in a dirty diaper all day as he snorts coke?

Oh, that's nice. Thanks for the info.

But...

What about her asshole dad... The dude who called her a "whore," embarrassed her, belittled her, fired her, and treated her and her baby like unwanted garbage?

You'd *think* this...

Maybe this...

No! No! No! It's all about...

Because he did not really mean any of it.

Epilogue

By this point...

So, yeah, whop't' do there's a HEA.

Bottom Line

Sadly, this once funny book was taken over by the BS in the second half.

Also, the blurb is misleading on some points. For example, at no point in this book did she consider throwing her career /job away for him. There was no choice between him and her job at any point.

This is a biracial romance. That should be in the blurb!

The 2 stars are **purely** for the laughs in the first half.

★ Belle The Bibliophile ★ says

"I've ever done anything in my best interests."

"Yes, you have, Mr. Hawthorne."

"And what's that?"

She stalked before me, kneeling down to pick up the towel so very near my hard cock. She said nothing as she folded the terrycloth and pushed it to my chest.

"You hired me."

I've read almost all of Sosie Frost's books and I have to say that this one is my favorite so far. I rated it a 3 star but it's actually a strong **3.4/5 stars**. This book isn't without its flaws. It's still cheesy as fuck but I actually enjoyed the book, loved the cliché plot and I was totally immersed in it. I literally finished it in 1 hour? Maybe an hour and a half?

Beauty and the Blitz is obviously inspired by the fairy tale *Beauty and the Beast*, but I can't really recall much reference from the old fairy-tale besides the fact that the Hero, Cole Hawthorne, calls himself *The Beast* and has a dark past. Now, the nickname actually has two connotations in the book: #1) Cole's persona in the field #2) Cole's description of his violent self. There's also the huge castle. Does that count?

Cole is notorious for his violence streak in the field and he's also Atwood Monarchs's best linebacker. But because of his *Beastly* persona, he's in danger of losing his position in his the team.

"After one hundred thousand dollar fines last year, I got their message loud and clear. They hailed me as the best linebacker in the game, and then they punished me for becoming The Beast ---the all-pro defensive MVP for my three seasons in the league."

But the problem with Cole is that his violence tendencies really runs deep. For him, **The Beast** isn't just his public persona. It is *literally* him. It's really all he's ever known.

I couldn't switch in and out of that mindset. The Beast was me, something impossible to control on the field.

And lately...just as hard to tame outside the game.

(view spoiler) I really wanted to know more of Cole's *dark* past because it plays an integral part on making him the way he is, but alas, his past is very much glossed over. I wanted to know what *really* happened to him, that made him a loner -- what really made him think he was prone to violence?

I'd really love for the Beast nickname to be explored that *way* instead of having it being used so awkwardly in some of the sex scenes in this book.

"I want you too, Cole."

"Do you?" His voice lowered. "You want The Beast?"

"Yes."

"I'm not afraid of you, Cole." I whispered the words, clipped and broken so near to his lips.

"I can handle a little beast."

"But it's not little, beautiful. If I fuck you, you take it all. Every inch. Every thrust. You get me?"

My panties separated us, and it infuriated him. He shredded the materials, ripping it from my body with his bare hands.

And I was exposed before the beast.

Was he a hero or a villain? Did he even know? Did I even care?

I'm sorry but what the fuck? I don't even know where to start and I won't. Those quotes speak for themselves.

The heroine, I loved. I liked that she's not a doormat. She really gets shit done --whatever her method is and very unapologetic about it. I loved how protective she is of her baby girl and I loved that she **always** puts her first. Oftentimes, when I read books with single mom as the main character, they tend to put the ~Hero first~ which always annoys me. I understand wanting a break, wanting to just let go of your responsibility but you ALWAYS put your child's well-being first.

Overall, this book's an enjoyable read. I will definitely anticipate Sosie's next book.

Michelle [Helen Geek] says

06/05/2016 -- 3.5 Stars

I really was pretty surprised. I picked it up because it has a sports [NFL Football] backdrop and it a Kindle Unlimited book. My copy came bundled with two other full length novels from this author. A nice surprise.

I thought she did a good job with the characters and with development of the story. It seemed a little over the top in places, but pulled itself out of the unbelievable quick enough that I was able to read and enjoy without too much eye-rolling.

Overall, a good read if you are interested in a bit of "football" or a sports backdrop in your romance. Not complicated, but should be enough to keep you engaged.

Note: I chose not to read either of the other two books the author gave the readers. They just didn't appeal to me, at least right now and I needed to move on. You feel differently and it could be the be the perfect package for you though.

Happy Reading!

Julie (Jewls Book Blog) says

Piper has her hands full juggling long hours, her 16 month old, Rosie, and now, pain in the patootie client Cole. His temperament is going to cost him his career and Piper's, if she can't find a way to reason with him about trading to another team.

This was a cute read. I love almost anything beauty and the beast and this story was full of references. The

banter between Piper and Cole dripped with innuendo, causing some very funny moments, and I loved Rosie's ability to soften Cole's attitude with a drooling grin and warm hugs. I do think Cole could have been a tad more reasonable about his anger issues. I also think Piper could have told her dad to stick it when he spoke to her with uncalled-for harshness.

This is my first read by Sosie and I found the alternate pov's and quick wit engaging and fun! She spun wicked chemistry between the couple and created spunky personalities I got a kick out of. I'll definitely give another book of hers a try!

CC says

Short and a bit better than I expected. H was a total douche for almost 50% of the book. I never really got a great idea of why he was the way he was. What was revealed about his past did not equate to his anger issues.

Unfortunately, this book could never get a higher score from me because the heroine had to go to him at the end. Heroes should go after what they want!

Eve Recinella (Between The Bookends) says

2.5 Stars

This was just an OK read for me.

I found Cole to be a little too OTT asshole most of the time. Oh he had his moments (mostly with Rose) but I just kept thinking that if he would have just dialed the asshole down a couple notches he wouldn't have had so many problems with his team, league, coaches.

Piper was an OK heroine, but I thought their back and forth arguing went on a tad bit too long, and I hated the way she let her dad treat her and her daughter. On top of those issues it seemed to drag a bit. We could have done without the WAY too long football explanation between Cole and Piper.

Like i said, just an OK read...

Nancy♥The♥Bookaholic says

Cole & Piper are wrong for each other. Cole is known as "The Beast" on the field and he's obtained a bad reputation among the league. The Monarch's wants to trade him because of all the bad publicity and untameness of the brute. But they can't trade him without his consent.

Piper is a single mother looking for a better life for herself and her daughter. Her father isn't really a father. He thinks Rose, his grand-daughter, is a bad mistake that he voices every chance he gets. When Piper is given the task to convince Cole to trade to the Ironfield she didn't know her world would be changing in a drastic way.

I love it when the most opposite characters fall in love with each other. At first Cole's doucheiness rubbed me the wrong way. The crude way he spoke to women put a bad taste on my palate. It intrigued me though to get to the bottom of the reasoning for the way he became the way he was. There had to be a legitimate reason he was such a dick and as the story unfolded I received my answer. After I received my answer, I saw how Cole was so closed off.

My least favorite part of the book: The way Cole treated women at the beginning of the book.

My favorite part of the book: The way Cole treated Rose with unconditionally love.
