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Calvin Lynch and Troy Hoffman have been best mates since they were fourteen years old. They're both hard-working tradesmen, both love weekends away fishing, both gay, but have never been single at the same time. Until now.

What is supposed to be a weekend away fishing with a group of mates, changes at the last minute when friends bail out in an attempt to give Cal and Troy some alone time.

With more than just hooks on the line, can these two see what's been right in front of them the whole time?

The Perfect Catch is a short story about falling for your best friend hook, line, and sinker.

A 20K short story which was part of the *It Was Always You* anthology.

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From Reader Review Perfect Catch for online ebook

Gigi says

I was in a warm/fuzzy NR Walker mood and I realized I'd never read this one.

NR Walker delivers on the fluff! Sweet and sexy and a great addition to her fabulous work.

BWT (Belen) says

This was a sweet, slow burn best friends to lovers romance that made me smile and say, "Awww!"

I first read this story in the It Was Always You anthology and enjoyed it just as much the second time around.

Told from Calvin Lynch's POV, he's been in love with his best friend, Troy Hoffman, since they were fourteen but hasn't ever approached him about it. He finally has the chance to see what could happen between them during a fishing weekend, but is still scared to ruin the best friendship he's ever had.

My heart was in my throat, but if he was putting it all on the line, then I could too. "I've been in love with you since then too. I love you, Troy, and like I told you last night, I'm not going anywhere."

If you're interested in reading a sweet, no angst romance with some hot sexy times, make sure to check out this easy read.

This review has been cross-posted at Gay Book Reviews.

Jewel says

I loved this best-friends-to-lovers story. NR Walker just does them so right! *Perfect Catch* was just gorgeous.

Elsbeth says

This story was originally part of this anthology:

It may become one of my favorite comfort reads. Troy and Cal were awesome!!

[review posted at "It was Always You"](#)

I just love ms Walker's writing. Her characters are always so swoonworthy. I loved this one the most. Troy and Cal go on a camping trip to do some fishing cause that's what friends do. They are so comfortable with each other. They were like a left and a right hand. For years they secretly have been pining for each other but have never been in sync. One of them was always seeing someone else. But when they get it right, boy.....

"I know. And that's what I'm scared of," he said. He looked away, out the kitchen window, like looking at me was too hard.

"Scared of what?"

His gaze shot to mine. "Of losing what we have," he said. "Of risking it all. You've been my best friend forever, and I don't know what I'd do without you, and that scares me."

? Todd says

I 'should' have loved this one, but instead, it just left me feeling mostly "meh."

Zero idea why, but there it is... :- /

Chappy says

What a "perfect" little story. Troy and Calvin have been best friends forever...now if only one of them has the courage to make the first move.

Mirjana **DTR - Down to Read says**

*****4.5 Stars*****

"There was only you. It was always you. Since I was fourteen years old and you told me you liked boys too. It's been you."

It's friends to lovers and N.R. Walker...need I say more?

Oh, I do? Okay...

READ THIS!!! DO IT!!

It's the perfect sweet and sexy fun-sized read. It'll put a smile on your face from beginning to end.

"...if we're going to do the whole best friends-to-lovers thing, we'd better go about it properly, yeah?"

"I thought we crossed that line already?"

"We frotted the line."

"Then we better cross it more thoroughly."

~Kristin~ says

~Perfect Catch by NR Walker~

4.5 Stars

This friends to lovers story was wonderful, these two were childhood best friends that had always had feelings for the other, but the timing was always off and they never confessed their true feelings. The build up was slow and the tension was high, but when they finally clicked into place it was fantastic, and wonderfully hot! It was a little sappy and emotional, but when it's done right...I'm a total sucker for it and eat it up. Loved this couple..plain and simple.

Jennifer?Pher? says

That was so sweet and so easy.

Exactly what I needed after a very emotional read.

Perfect Catch indeed.

Meep says

Lovely friends to lovers with a real sense of the friendship and that friendship and familiarity continuing.

Quite a lot of blushes but really liked these guys. A nice light read with lots of connection, exactly what I

was after.

Only complaint is I'd love a little more of the fic ;)

Elsa Bravante says

3.5

No ha estado mal, muy dulce, una de las mejores historias de la antología *It Was Always you*.

MaDoReader says

Uno de los que no están mal de la Walker, me refiero a que no hay coma diabético ni WTF de esos característicos, y eso se agradece.

Muy monos ;)

Exina says

Cal and Troy are best friends since the eighth grade. Everyone sees except the two of them that they are completely in love with each other. So their friends decide to give them a weekend alone in hope that they'd work things out.

Away from town, just the two of them, finally they confess their feelings for each other.

The fishing setting is not my thing, but *Perfect Catch* is an N.R. Walking-ly sweet story, with some sexy time.

Daphne says

Another great short that packed a punch. I can always count on this author to write something that I enjoy reading and this story is no different. Troy and Cal are long-time friends who never had the timing right - until this camping trip with a timely rainstorm and a ten for two. There's not a lot of umph here, the story is pretty straightforward, but sometimes that's just what the doctor ordered.

Side note: if you love the Aussie slang, this one is full of it with the brekky and utes etc.

~◊~Doxi(ela) ♥ ?? love & semi-colons~◊~ says

Originally reviewed as part of:

This was one of my favorite stories in the anthology.

~4.25~

BFFs-to-lovers; Aussies; tentative HEA; steam: moderate-high

Slowww burn with plenty of sexy times! I wish Walker wrote this kind of steam all the time, because she's damn good at it. I really enjoyed this story of two manly guys who've been best friends forever but have never gotten together. One camping trip changes everything.

I really wanted (no, NEEDED!) an epilogue, but the MCs have great chemistry, which made me feel good about their HEA.
