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Ty...

Ten years ago I offered her everything, and she threw it back in my face. When she walked, I vowed no other woman would ever screw with my head the way she did. I moved on. Now I'm the V.P. of the Bastards, run my own nightclub, and nameless sex keeps me sane. No commitment or ties, just the way I like it.

Now she's back, for one week only, gorgeous, successful, and I can't keep away. She offers a long goodbye, a way to heal our fractured past. She burned me so bad—there's no way I should even want to be near her. But the more she gives, the more I need. Until I discover the real reason she left, and my whole damn world implodes...

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From Reader Review Burned for online ebook

Heather 123 says

Eh the book was just okay for me. Very predictable; you could almost immediately figure out why Jasmine left and never wanted to return. I liked the ending though, I thought it was an interesting change compared to some other books I've read.

The book didn't have much of a plot to me, other than Ty figuring out why Jasmine left, most of the book was focused on what Ty said or didn't say that Jasmine took wrong. Or discovering what both characters were doing over the last 10 years, although this part doesn't really focus on important items (they don't determine what the other does for a living until near the end of the book for example).

Donna Repsher says

In keeping with my uncanny ability to pick up and read the last novel in a series first, Burned is the third novel in Christina Phillips' Viking Bastards MC series, but the first novel of hers that I've read, and while I was expecting the standard, gritty, MC series, what I wasn't expecting was one with virtually no grit, hardly any swearing, no graphic violence, and instead of the aforementioned, I discovered a very good second chance at love romance, and it's gets 4 stars from this reader.

Jasmine (Jas) met 17-year-old Ty Jenson when she was 14 years old. He's the son of the President of the Viking Bastards Motorcycle Club in L.A. and she's the daughter of a stripper, and Ty's mother never missed a chance to throw her mother's profession in her face, just as the kids in her school did. For Ty and Jas, it was teenage love and lust, and when Jas becomes pregnant, the two young lovers aren't really ready for it, but plan to try, that is until one night when Jasmine has a miscarriage, and there's a whole lot more to how that happened, but sorry, I don't do spoilers. Shortly thereafter, Jas leaves L.A. for Florida, where her father, who'd left her mother years before, now lives with his new wife. Ty had been planning to spend his life with Jasmine and her abrupt departure left no room for closure, or even an explanation, and tore him up emotionally. It had the same effect on Jasmine, but as there's been no contact between them in a decade, he doesn't know that, and she doesn't either.

Ten years later, Jasmine is back in L.A., having received word that her mother had died, and needing to go back to settle her mother's affairs. She's not back for long when she bumps into Ty, and because this novel is told in alternating narration, we soon learn that these two are still attracted to one another, certainly still have mad chemistry, and both need time to do what was impossible 10 years earlier, part on good terms. Jasmine's life is now in Florida, where she works as a civil rights attorney. Ty is now VP of the Viking Bastards MC, and also runs a club called The Hammer, where Jasmine's mother worked until her untimely death.

Ty never truly understood Jasmine's abrupt departure after her miscarriage, and was deeply hurt by it. He did know that his parents didn't like their relationship, and since Jasmine's mother used to hang around the MC and was pretty loose with her favors, they felt that Jasmine was trash too. Now that Jasmine is back, at least for the two weeks that it will take to settle her mother's affairs, she and Ty agree to get each other out of their respective systems by having what starts out as a one-night sex fling, but one night wasn't enough for either of them, and as the time passes, they rediscover that what they felt for each other 10 years earlier is still true today. But after rediscovering their feelings for one another, Ty still doesn't understand why Jasmine left him

so quickly, and the last thing Jasmine wants to do is tell him, and what will he do when he finds out?

Although I wasn't expecting to find a really sweet second chance at love novel inside what I expected would be raw, down and dirty MC fiction, I wasn't disappointed at all, and I truly liked the two main characters and the way they were portrayed, so much so that I read this novel in one sitting. It was well-written, well-paced, and now I'm going to have to backtrack to read the first two novels in this series.

I voluntarily read an advance reader copy of this novel. The opinions expressed are my own.

Julie says

First of all I've loved the covers for this series, and Burned is no exception, it's a little more somber than the last two, certainly not sexual. But come on, you have to admit the models are darn "HOT".

Right the story. A great second chance romance, and it was hot!

The main characters Ty and Jas were young lovers tragedy strikes and they get separated. Jas leaves town and they are apart for ten years. and only the death of her mother brings her back to town.

Ty demands answers from Jas, but she has secrets she wishes to keep, she's stronger now and wishes to spend her short visit with Ty.

Jas' experience strengthened her in many ways or she wouldn't have returned. Ty was a good guy, she should have trusted him in the beginning.

A great series, looking forward to more from the Viking Bastards MC

♥ WishfulMiss ♥ says

I've followed this series since the first book and I really liked the younger generation of Viking Bastards the CP has created. As biker romances go, this series is surprisingly safe and the guys always turn sweet and alpha for their ladies without all that OW and OTT club drama. But knowing that, I was still a bit hesitant to read this one because what little we've gotten of Ty and his past with Jas, I knew it had the very big possibility that it would push some of my boundaries.

Well I wasn't wrong about that but I'm happy that I gave it a chance because I fell in love with Ty and Jas' love story. Their journey was probably the darkest and most emotionally gripping story in this series, so far. Their shared history built a backdrop that rooted their connection on a deeper level and drew a more vivid picture of who they are.

I will confess that Ty started this off as a bit of a jerk. His protective mechanism when it comes to keeping his emotional distance from Jas is to blurt out the first thing that comes to mind. And that usually leads to him putting his foot in it.

Jas on the other hand is so weighed down with guilt over how things ended between them and the secrets she was still determined to keep from him that she let him off the hook a time or two, too easily IMO. On top of that, her complicated grief over her estranged mother's sudden passing had her in a really vulnerable position and that also played a part in it.

Luckily this phase was really short lived for both MCs. Watching Ty and Jas reconnect, even when they both fight their lingering (and fast growing) feelings for each was intense. Their chemistry was off the charts, their easy friendship, how they feel back into their old roles as friends and then lovers cemented just how special their bond was.

Jas was definitely a strong heroine who came back with some ghosts of her own that still had a strong grip on her. I definitely warmed up to her and felt for all the horrible things that she had to go through. I was rooting for her every step of the way and loved that Ty really came through for her. I'm an optimist but even I didn't see that ending coming!

There were so many emotions that rolled through me while reading Burned that I'm feeling a bit hung over here. It had some great moments of tenderness, heat, and a little humor but it was a lot more direct and emotionally heavy than the others books. That surprising ending clinched this one for me and the epilogue was the best kind of epilogue.

Memorable Moments:

When Ty confronts his family about the past. His zero hesitation to side with his girl. That was his Knight in Shining Armor moment. I loved that he finally put into actions his feelings for Jas and let everyone know where Jas stands in his life. She came before his club, his brothers and even his disapproving family.

Would I recommend?

If you want a safe biker romance, any of the Viking Bastard books will do and they can be read as stand alones in case you want to just jump in. I really enjoy them so definitely yes, I'd recommend.

* * * *ARC provided for an honest review* * * *

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SAFETY INFO: (view spoiler)

Ayekah says

I loved the two previous Viking MC books, wildly good and this one. Just really fell short for me. The plot was good, although obvious it takes place some years after the last book, but that's not a problem. For me it was the two MC's, Ty and Jasmine.

Jasmine fled California with her young life wanting nothing to do with The Vikings, or anyone associated with them. She moved to Florida with her Dad. Her mother still stripping and still an outsider to the club and the two had little contact over the 10 years. Jasmine is back after receiving word her Mother has passed away. She's there to clean out the apartment. This rundown apartment was her life until she left, leaving Ty behind. Ty and Jas were in love from a young age. It sounds silly if you think about it but in the more serious moments in the book and Ty wasn't running his mouth, you got it. From Jas too. The argument was always she was too young, truth was his family and the club said without words she didn't fit into their lifestyle. She wasn't club material. Even her slutty mother wasn't. When Jas runs into Ty outside the last place her mom worked before she died, he's a real a-hole to her, all swagger and mouth and damn he was disappointing. He also happens to own the club her mom was working at, she needed a job and he gave her a cleaning job. She was Jas's mom. He couldn't turn her away.

So he's now VP of the Viking's, his friends are all Vikings and he and Jas have come to a semi-truce. Jas wants closure and one night of no strings sex, he wants the same. Closure for these two mean totally different things. So one night turns into a week, he helps her box up her mother's stuff. Old feelings surface. Neither of them can go there. Jasmine's bad memories surface with frequency and she just wants to go back home. She has a life there, now an attorney who works pro bono for domestic violence, rape and etc. Ty is a little surprised when he finds out what she does for a living. Which he doesn't bother asking her until 75%. This book was mostly Ty running his mouth either aloud or in his head. He's all over the place with Jasmine, the basic foundation for her leaving was there, but wasn't complete enough. Jasmine is a way was just an accoutrement to the story. The secondaries are limp and their women even more so.

I was really looking forward to this one because I love the series and love Christina's books, but sad to say it didn't measure up to the two previous books. If you haven't read them, read them. You'll love them.

Moving along. Looking forward to the next book,

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Helen says

This one is so good a second chance romance with a lot of hurt and pain in the past that was never spoken about but, ten years on both Ty and Jas have grown up Ty is now VP of The Bastards and Jas is an attorney fighting for the underdog in Florida, put them in the same room again and that passion and sizzle has never gone away but can they overcome the past for a future together this time round?

Jasmine O'Brien has returned to LA after the death of her mother she ran ten years before a scarred and hurt seventeen year old determined to leave the Bastards behind and become stronger and that is what she has done only running into Ty has her emotions running riot she needs to get him out of her system once and for all and one night or one week while she is in LA should do it or maybe not.

Tyson Jenson had given Jas everything back then and she up and left and he never really knew why as a member of the Bastards he got on with his life firm in the knowledge that he would never let another woman get to him the way Jas had and that was so true, but Jas is back now and she is still playing with his head and soul and when they decide that a week together is what they need the sex is amazing but he is losing himself to her again or did he ever get over her in the first place. Nonetheless he feels that Jas is keeping something from him something that he really should know.

I fell into this book, I fell for Ty from the start what a hero and Jas has come such a long way since she was seventeen and what she went through the strength that she shows is amazing, I loved seeing them open up to each other and let their passions and emotions out and when the truth does come out Ty is amazing and Jas is just beautiful with her caring and understanding. MS Phillips has bought these two to life on the pages and swept me into a gorgeous romance that left me feeling very happy indeed. This is one that I highly recommend a sizzling sexy romance that is very moving, one that is sure to keep you turning the pages.

Rosa Sharon (iScream Books Blog) says

"It wasn't until she'd gone I realized how much of me she'd taken with her."

It was my MC Romance addiction that had me taking a chance on a new-to-me author when I started the **Viking Bastards MC** series. I enjoyed the first two books, but I must say that this one is by far my favorite. It went much deeper and pulled harder, touching my emotions and leaving a lasting impression.

The author set me up in the synopsis, teasing me with hints of a secret just waiting for me to uncover. She pulled my strings, intriguing me and keeping me on the edge of my seat. She made me fall for Ty's lost love right along with him. I mourned their broken hearts as their teenage love story was unfolded for me through their memories. I mentally yearned for all their broken pieces to be restored and for them to open up and share the parts of themselves they'd been withholding from each other.

I hoped for her one week visit to turn into forever. And my-oh-my what a week it was! Let me tell you, it's amazing what ten years of unfulfilled feelings and unanswered questions will do for a couple once they are finally reunited. They told themselves and each other it was just sex. They just needed closure and to get each other out of their systems. Yeah, right. Like the explosive passion between them could ever be confused with '*just sex*'. Let me tell you, I wasn't confused, not even for a second. But I might have needed to re-read a few scenes just to make sure. (wink-wink ?)

I don't know if **Burned** was the final installment in the series or not. But I can tell you that the author won me over with this one. No more riding the fence for me. The line forms here...

Nalla Reads says

Originally posted on NallaReads.com

This story. I was not prepared for the emotions this romance wrought from me. Ty's been content for years after the love of his life walked away. He put all he had into the club and eventually became the VP of the Bastards. He thought life was good; until Jasmine walks back in to town in a whirlwind. What are the odds that she runs into him within hours of being back? Jasmine knows why she had to walk away when she was a teenager, but seeing Ty is breaking her heart all over again. Even with the pain they've been through, one night is all they're willing to give to settle old flames.

Phillips does a wonderful job truly disguising the past from readers. Jasmine couldn't take the pain of her youth when she was with Ty. His family ridiculed her and her mother and sometimes a final straw is all it takes to change the course of someone's life. Ty was much sweeter than I anticipated. Don't get it wrong, he's dirty, filthy fun too. But the man has a heart when it comes to the right moments. This romance is fully packed with heavy moments on top of perfectly weaved misconceptions of the past. I couldn't put it down and had to now the truth about Jasmine and Ty. In the end, Phillips had me crying for all that Jasmine and Ty had lost and at the bright hope of a future they could have. You'll definitely want to add this spectacular 5 star read to your list!

Deborah says

3.5*

Having enjoyed the previous two books Hooked and Payback I was looking forward to this one.

Now I have to say books like this where one party (usually the female) disappear only to return years later are not really my favourite. Simply because for me anyway the reason for the departure when it comes out is generally a disappointment and doesn't warrant the result.

That's not the case here.

I felt the reason considering the circumstances and her age fully justified the hasty departure. So if like me you're stressing while reading don't.

Now I liked both Ty and Jas and I really wanted things to work out between them.

So why only 3 - 3.5*?

In a word.

Sex.

There was just too much of it the balance of the book was out. Now it's a hard call because sex is what brings them together, keeps them coming back for more and what really works between them. So yes there's going to be a lot of it but for me there was too much.

From the reviews I've seen I'm in the minority and I am a fussy reader so it could just be me.

I voluntarily read a review copy kindly provided by NetGalley and Entangled Publishing

D.M. says

Burned is a second chance romance more than an alpha strong mc novel. The storyline was ok but not my favourite.

Jas and Ty dated when they were younger. They were both linked to the MC club and it was always a part of them. Now ten years later Jas has a life away from the club. She has a good job and Ty is a distant memory. Unfortunately, her mother has just passed and even though they weren't close Jas has returned to her childhood home to sort her assets. Jas and Ty always had a connection. The second she's back in town these two are in contact. It doesn't take long for things to heat up and they are back between the sheets. The past is full of secrets and these two just need to work it out.

3 stars out of 5. This was ok. I was expecting Ty to be more alpha. This book felt a little too straight into it. If you are a fan of second chance romances this will be for you. I would have preferred more sexual tension.

*I received an ARC in exchange for an honest review.

Carvanz says

Wow! I really, really enjoyed the heck out of this book!

Jasmine left L.A. ten years ago and has now returned due to her mother's death. When she runs into Ty her heart yearns to reach out to him but it's obvious that he's still carrying anger over their past. Both of them recognize that they need closure and after an intense, sexy night, they agree to continue their one night stand on through the week until Jas has to leave again.

Ty never fully understood how Jas was able to walk away from what they had. He understood the premise of it, and the reason she gave, but there was always something that niggled at the back of his mind. Hurt and anger obliterated those thoughts until pieces of the puzzle begin to fall back into place with her return.

I totally got why Ty felt the way he did. Thinking their love was a forever kind of thing, he was heartbroken when Jas left. With her in his life again, even temporarily, he's struggling to remember the past and that what he's feeling now may not be what she's feeling. Jas was completely broken when she left and there's so many layers as to why she made the decision she did.

This is a well-paced read, very well written, and sprinkled with a bit of angst but not the kind to knock you on your bottom. The MC lifestyle isn't predominate but plays as a backdrop well out of sight. It was a very enjoyable read with plenty of steam and a hero that you will love to watch rise up from his past to secure the girl of his future.

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Dual POV

Safe (view spoiler)

Triggers (view spoiler)

Doris says

I loved this biker romance full of second chances, regrets and a lot of hot sex. Ty is the VP of the Viking Bastards MC and lives every bit of the biker life. His once love Jas, has returned to bury her mother so now she and Ty have a chance to settle the past. Ty had no idea at all what sent Jas running to live with her father in Florida all those years ago. Was it because of something they lost or will Ty find out it was something much darker than he could even fathom? I loved this just as much as the first two books in this series.

I received this book as an ARC from NetGalley for a freely given and honest review.

Maria11 says

3 1/2 Stars. Ok read. Not much MC action.

I have to say though Ty did something I have always wanted the hero to do when the MC they belong to does something so grievous against him. I really wanted that to happen in the last MC book I read and it didn't happen. That alone boosted my rating of the book. Jas sticks to her guns and even after several great lays she still keeps her head on her shoulders and doesn't cave to Ty. Now that never happens in a MC book. Usually the heroine gets sex and she forgets everything. Again another boost for the rating.

There is a ton of sex so be prepared. I love how the characters can't talk about the past, but they sure can get it on.

Decent read. Received a copy from the publisher through NetGalley.

Timitra says

Rated 3.5 Stars

Burned was enjoyable, hot and also frustrating. I don't want to spoil it for other readers by listing what I found frustrating but I wish it hadn't been so drawn out.

ARC won in a contest

Laurie says

Lately, I've been super picky about biker books by new to me authors. My blog partners have both read

books in this series and liked them well enough so I felt safe in my decision to put in for this ARC. Burned ended up being a quick easy read, but more of a biker lite book despite some sad, tragic history that touched on a couple of tough subjects.

Jas and Ty have a lot of water under their prospective bridge. Once they were high school sweethearts before it went wrong. Even though Ty was born into the Viking Bastards, as the daughter of a stripper/club girl, Jas was the one from the wrong side of the tracks. This never sat quite right with me each time it was brought up. I got where Ty's mother might have an issue with Jas' mother, but generally, bikers tend to not take someone's parentage against them, especially if the mother is a favorite among the club girls. Unless they are from another MC, then all bets are off, but that wasn't the case here.

Anyway, Jas and Ty were together for a couple of years before something terrible happened and Jas broke it off with Ty and left the state. Ty, clueless as to what happened, let her go but not without an ugly scene we were never privy to. I did like that when they see each other again, there weren't any anger or revenge issues to deal with. Books that have the MC's seriously still hating each other over a breakup years before with when they were freaking teenagers get on my last nerve.

The death of Jas' mother brought her back into town and the two quickly decide to have a week of no strings attached closure sex. Obviously, this backfires on them as soon they are both fighting their strong feelings once again. They have oodles of combustible chemistry and they act on it over and over and over again. I prefer my books to have sexy times, but sometimes less is more because, like here, the sex takes over and ends up detracting from the book. I ended up skimming through a lot of them which is pretty sad.

What surprised me the most about Burned was the fact that although it's an MC series, there wasn't a lot of MC time. This was purely relationship/sex driven with not a lot of time spent with the members of the MC at all. This would have been a much better book with fewer sex scenes and more time spent with the club fleshing out the issues that sent Jas running in the first place.

Another big surprise was Ty's resolution to their problems. I'm not going to give anything away, but I will say I wish we'd have been given more time with how that all shook out along with how things were going between him and the club. This was a huge missed opportunity that left the ending feeling rushed and incomplete.

Quick, sexy, with some feels to it, this wasn't a bad read at all. It just could have been so much more.

Rating: 3 Missed Opportunity Stars
