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She was his best friend, his first love. And she broke his heart. Now she's back. Will they find a second chance?

As a little girl, Andrea Harmon wanted to marry a prince, and Kyle Davenport hoped it would be him. But he never told her how he felt, and lost her as a result. Because sometimes the bad guy gets the girl. And Kyle left town to get over her.

Andi made the wrong choice years ago, choosing the bad boy over the best friend she trusted and she paid for it every day since.

Coming face to face with his former best friend was bound to happen once he moved back to Rosewood Bay, but for Kyle, becoming her son's new teacher is a painful reminder of what they never had. But this time around, Kyle is determined to change their ending. Prince Charming is determined to break down her walls.

Except that no happily-ever-after is won without a fight—and her ex-husband doesn't like to lose.

A Standalone Novel

Rosewood Bay Series

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Sofia Lazaridou says

After the sisters got their happy endings I thought that the series would end. Fortunately, Andi got a book herself and now I hope for more books in the series. Am I too greedy? Maybe I am, maybe I am not. I just know that I like the series. I might have felt like the series is dropping in quality, but this book is good and better than most of the books I had the chance to read recently. I wanted a longer book because I felt like the characters needed more time to develop their relationship. Something more was needed. This is not a bad book, but it had room for improvement. Still, Kyle and Andi got a good story and I liked them both.

Andi has gotten away from her abusive ex-husband and she is raising her son with the help of her brother. Kyle is his teacher and her former best friend. We find out why is that early in the book and for the most part, I felt sorry for Andi. She was too young and without someone to guide her or give her advice. Kyle was also too young to know and try to protect her. Now, he is a grown man though and he knows what to do and what not to. I liked that he wasn't pushing her around and actually listen to her and her wishes. He wasn't overprotective and he was just helping her without the smothering. He was the kind of man you want to have in your life.

The book was on the short side, but I still liked it and have positive feelings about it. I decided to go with a 4-star rating because it's the one that fits the best. I hope that the author will continue the series and we will see more from the characters we know and love. In this book, the sisters make an appearance or two and I was happy with that. I saw them live their lives after they got their happily ever after.

BookAddict says

Since this series started with Kane's story in "Fearless," it's only fitting that the series should end with his sister Andi. I loved Kane's story and have enjoyed the series, so I was eager to read an early copy of Andi and Kyle's story. It was every bit as good as I anticipated, with terrific heart, inspiring character growth, gripping suspense and amazing chemistry.

Andi had some challenges growing up, with a mother who died too young and a father with a gambling addiction. Other than her brother, the only stable person in her life was her best friend Kyle, that is until she started dating bad boy quarterback, Billy Gray, who intimidated her into ending her friendship with Kyle. Years later, Andi is a divorced single mother, back in Rosewood Bay with her family. She's worked hard to regain her strength and confidence, and things are calm and settled for her and her son, until she discovers his new teacher is Kyle Davenport, her former best friend. With the way Andi left things, her first parent-teacher meeting isn't looking too promising.

Andi easily found a place in my heart and I was invested in her story every step of the way. Her determination to rely only on herself and her struggle to find a balance between being independent and completely self-reliant versus accepting support and help from those who love her was a prevailing theme throughout the book. And Kyle was the perfect guy for her, showing her that help and support from someone who truly loves her doesn't involve dominance or control. Andi was so afraid of losing the person she had fought so hard to become, but Kyle had her back and supported her while letting her make her own

decisions. Yeah, Kyle found a place in my heart, too. This poignant, heartfelt, engaging, gripping story is the perfect end to the series and one you won't want to miss.

*I reviewed this book freely and voluntarily, having made no commitment to provide a review and receiving no compensation of any kind from any source for this review.

Erin Lewis says

5 star review Dream (Rosewood Bay #4) by Carly Phillips

I was a little sad to start reading this story knowing that it was the fourth and final book in the series. However I knew that it would be an unforgettable story and Carly Phillips did not disappoint. I thoroughly enjoy Ms. Phillips writing style and Dream is no exception; her characters are strong and easy to relate too and I particularly liked how she built the story up. It was also nice to catch up on the previous three couples and see what is happening in their lives and it was heart warming to watch the love and relationships that they share as they all came together to support Andi, her son Nicky and Kyle. Although a stand alone, I do think you would enjoy reading Dream more if you were to read the previous books in the series.

Andi Harmon and Kyle Davenport were best friends, although Andi had no idea of Kyle's true feelings for her. She made her choice, it wasn't Kyle and this shattered him so he moved away. Fast forward a few years and Andi comes face to face with Kyle again when he returns to Rosewood Bay to teach. Andi has regretted the choices she made for years, with an ex husband who has caused her nothing but grief.

Now that Kyle is back they have no choice but to face each other as he is Nicky's new teacher. For Kyle it is a constant reminder of what he lost but Andi is determined to make up for the past. When Kyle recognises that Nicky has an issue with reading he offers to help and slowly but surely they begin to come to terms with the past.

The chemistry between Andi and Kyle was intense, their story real, as they struggled to overcome the challenges life has thrown them and the hurts of the past.

I really felt for Kyle, it was obvious that he was really struggling with his feelings , particularly as he learns of the abusive relationship that Andi escaped from. It is obvious that Kyle and Andi have feelings for each other but now that her abusive ex has also returned to town, what will happen? Will they move forward or will their fledgling relationship be doomed to fail ?

One click now and find out. This was a great conclusion to what has been a fabulous series from Carly Phillips.

KFForever says

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Reviewed by Anna Green on behalf of KindleFriendsForever

This is my first book by this author and I must say that I really like her style. This second chance romance is the fourth book in the Rosewood Bay series but can be read as a standalone.

Andrea Harmon is a single mum with a ten-year-old son, Nicky. She left an abusive husband and is trying to give her son a better life than the one he grew up with. Andi's character is stereotypical of a woman who's been through an abusive relationship and she doesn't know how to live her life as normal. When her best friend Kyle comes back into town, she just might learn how to be herself again.

Kyle Davenport was Andi's best friend in high school, secretly in love with her but never got the courage and lost her to a high school jock. He left town when she rejected his friendship and chose the other guy over him. Now that he is back is there any chance at all for him to be with the love of his life again?

This romantic tale written in third person has the usual formulaic second chance storyline but all is not that boring. The author's narration of Andi's pain caused by years of put-downs by her ex-husband at the beginning of the book is poignant and throughout the rest of the story when she gradually develops a backbone and exerts her independence is a joy to read, hope for an emotionally and physically abused survivor. The antagonist, Billy, Andi's ex-husband is your classic douche bag, a waste of space that thrives on his power over women. Kyle is the ideal hero in this book and I am glad that the author didn't portray him as the hunky alpha male overloaded with testosterone. He is a primary school teacher, the perfect match for Andi's gentle spirit and a good role model to her son Nicky.

The secondary characters obviously have their own stories in the other books in the series but not reading theirs is not a detriment to the storyline. Although I would think it might help you connect the dots on who is who and not get confused, I can assure you that this book can stand well on its own. There are some elements of suspense that make you sit up and notice, some events that will put you on edge. I thoroughly enjoyed reading this book and most likely will add the rest of the series on my to-be-read list.

Kahea says

*****4 Stars*****

I was really excited when it was announced that Andi was getting her own book because after meeting her in *Fearless*, I thought if anyone deserved an HEA it was and Dream did not disappoint. It was quick, sweet and smexy read with a lot of heart and nice little dash of suspense tossed into the mix that kept me on my toes throughout the entire book.

I loved and admired Andi. She's sweet, sassy and strong. She's been through a lot, and though she still bears the scars from it all, she has picked herself up to make a better life for herself and her son. Kyle was a sweetheart. He's got a laid back vibe going on that's coupled with an alpha AF protective side that comes out when anyone he calls his own is in trouble.

Kyle and Andi's journey to their HEA was one that I enjoyed because while it could have been a very angsty one, it wasn't. This isn't to say that it was an easy one, because it wasn't, but they handled the issue between them well. There was a little push/pull going on, but in the end there was no doubt in my mind that they belonged together once everything was out in the open.

Dream was a fun, quick read and I enjoyed catching up with all the couples from the previous three books and finding out what they had going on. The bit of suspense tossed into the mix was well done and I have to say I was pleasantly surprised by the entire situation, but loved how it all turned out. I do wish there had been a bit more in the end about Kane and Andi's dad, but that's just me. So, if you're looking for a quick read to escape into, then I'd give this one a go!

Note: This one can be read as a standalone, but I'd recommend starting at the beginning of the series if you are able to.

~ Copy provided by the author & voluntarily reviewed ~

Melissa B says

Carly gives us one helluva read with this final book in the Rosewood Bay Series. Andi and Kyle's story is about friendship, forgiveness and a second chance at love. Andi has been through hell and back with her past relationship but has learned to be independent, strong and stand on her own two feet. Kyle has always loved his best friend but past mistakes drove them apart can a rekindled friendship show them they were truly meant for each other? If you're ready to be captivated by one heartwarming, breathtaking read with all the feels then one-click this book now!

Heather says

****I voluntarily read an early copy of this title in exchange for an honest review****

Dream is another great offering by Carly Phillips in here Rosewood Bay series.

All Andi Harmon wants is to live her now quiet life and raise her son. She had enough drama while still married to her now ex-husband and the father of her son. She knows she made mistakes in the past and every single day she continues to deal with how those decisions still affect her. She lost her friends and most importantly, she pushed her best friend out of her life and that is a decision she still regrets.

Kyle Davenport has returned to Rosewood Bay after having moved away years before knowing that he couldn't stay in town and watch his best friend, and the woman he was falling for, begin a life with another man. He's now a school teacher at the elementary school and one of his students is none other than Andi's son, Nicky.

As Andi and Kyle reconnect, it's clear that Kyle still resents how their friendship ended before, but he also knows they are adults and they need to get along for Nicky's sake. Even though getting along for Nicky is their main focus, it doesn't take long for Andi and Kyle to realize that they are attracted to one another and it isn't something they can deny. Will Andi be able to trust herself in another relationship? And will Kyle be able to scale the walls that Andi has built around her heart?

I enjoyed the way that this story unfolded. It was realistic and I really appreciated how patient Kyle was throughout the book. He understood where Andi was coming from and while it may not have been easy for

him to make some of the decisions he did, he knew deep down that she had to do those things for her in order for her to move on with her life. I loved Nicky and thought he was a cool kid.

Another enjoyable standalone by this fantastic author!

Kim says

Dream by Carly Phillips is the final book in the Rosewood Bay series and a great story of friendship and second chances!

Andi is a strong woman because of her past and living her life with her son. In walks Kyle, her childhood friend and now her son's teacher. With their past forgotten, can they make the most of their future?

I truly enjoyed this story. Andi and Kyle rekindling their friendship and seeing if it could turn into so much more. Dream was a heartwarming read where two people fall in love all over again. I am sad to see the series end but thought Carly Phillips ended it on the perfect note!

Donna Smith says

Andi has had a tough life. Her mother passed away right before her teenage years and her father had a gambling addiction. Her older brother tried to raise her as best as he could but being a kid himself wasn't easy. She fell hard and fast for the star quarterback only to find him abusive both physically and mentally. The only thing good he ever gave her is her son Nicky. He separated her from all her friends and family even her best friend Kyle. Kyle let it happen but he didn't want to. He was too hurt by Andi's words to see them for what they were. He left town for college and would have stayed away if it hadn't been for his mother needing him. Who shows up in his classroom? Nicky. Now they have to find a common ground to be civil to each other after all this time.

I have been waiting for Andi's HEA throughout this series. And no you don't have to read them all but why wouldn't you want to? Andi is by far my favorite. She has dealt with so much and come out stronger for it. She stands up for herself and is determined to not put anyone in danger. Her mama bear comes out often but always thinks of her son first. Kyle is much the same. He puts the needs of his students above his mixed feelings for one of their mothers, namely Andi. Kyle knows how to treat other human beings and isn't afraid to show Andi what she's been missing. He has loved her since they were kids and that hasn't gone anywhere. Andi has loved him in return, it just got lost for a bit. This second chance, friends to lovers romance never gets old for me. It is fantastic to see what could have been become what should have been all a long.

Kate's Corner says

I was ecstatic when I found out that Andi would be getting a book as she really did deserve a happily ever after. But I kind of expected more of this book especially when all the other books were really good. I guess my expectations were just too high.

This is a story that has a bit of everything. Be it unrequited love, to the point of what if I hadn't taken the

path that I choose to friends becoming lovers.

I really liked Andi in all of the books she was in, so it is finally her time to fall in love. Andi is a strong heroine and has worked hard on her independence and her self esteem after what her ex husband did to her and her son. She is a fantastic mother and has always put her child's needs in front of her own. She didn't have much of a mother figure as she died of cancer and Andi felt alone in the world.

At the first sign of attention it was clear that it would make her feel special especially as a teenager when one is at an impressionable age. She was forced through pain, threats and fear to give up her life and only be there for her husband. Now two years later she is in a good place.

Kyle Davenport is a native Rosewood Bay and after his mother takes a fall he moves back. He is also the new school teacher. HE may be a good teacher but his inner thoughts about Andi makes him into a major arse. He is patronizing towards the heroine has a chip on his shoulder because she was mean to him to protect him. I mean for Christ sakes you were teenagers. You should have told Andi a long time ago what you felt for her.

Sex scene wise I skimmed. I'm just not in the mood at the moment.

I enjoy the author's writing it captures you and is entertaining. Although everything is sometimes a bit too much rainbow and sparkles. But this plot kind of felt off. The ex comes back and threatens Andi that they had an agreement seven years ago and if she doesn't stick to it then he won't stick to his. A bit far fetched for my liking as I don't get why he is so obsessive there is no reason given. He is delusional, so you'll get no argument from me. It just annoyed me.

I'd recommend the book as a filler or as a palette cleanser.

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Sabrina says

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It took a lot for Andi to get to where she is now, finally happy and living a good life with her son. She doesn't need much else and she's good with how her life is going now. But then childhood friend and man who's heart she once broke comes back to town and is now her son's new teacher. Kyle knew he would run into Andi now that he's back in the town he grew up in, but he wasn't expecting that chemistry to still be there between them and now his plan of just ignoring her is no longer an option.

I thought this was a really sweet story. It had that second-chance romance vibe but the fact that Kyle and Andi had a past wasn't made the focal point of their story, at least not for me. Instead it was their present that was focused on and we got to see them get to know each other all over again. There wasn't really any drama that got between them, which I thought was refreshing, but there was still some intrigue and angst thrown in.

Overall, this series has been a wonderful reading experience and I've liked each of the characters we got to meet throughout it. *Dream* can be read as a standalone with no problem but I still recommend reading the other books, in any order, since they've all been so great.

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Jenny••Steamy Reads Blog•• says

This series has been full of sweetness. Pure sweetness. And after a few months of lows in my life, I needed some sweetness overload.

I enjoyed getting Andi's story and watching her getting her second chance at love with her childhood best friend Kyle. She left her best friend, Kyle, senior year when she fell for the quarterback instead... not realizing her best friend was in love with her, Andi gave up her friendship because her abusive boyfriend Billy forced her to cut ties with Kyle out of jealousy. So what happens when years later, you've left your abusive husband and now Kyle is your sons 4th grade teacher? Can Kyle forgive you for walking away from friendship or will Andi not be able to break down her own protective walls she has in place?

If you have read this series, Rosewood Bay, you know how amazing and wonderful this group is. You get a little of everyone in this book but this can also be read as a stand-alone. I have thoroughly enjoyed this series!! Definitely one I recommend to you all. They are short and definitely sweet ?

Shayna says

"I dreamed of this. I dreamed of you."

Amazeballs Book Addicts says

First off I want to say that this author is one of my very favorites. She is just one of those that I one click no matter what and I am never disappointed. I have been so anxious to get Andi's story. She is first introduced in book one and I just knew there was a great story with her and boy was I right. I was hooked from the first page and honestly I don't think I moved until I finished this book. It was that good. I loved Kyle from the get go and to be frank I have loved Andi from book one so to see this love story unfold was literally a dream. I just wanted more and more. Both characters were so real and relatable. And of course all the secondary characters are there and they just make it that much better. Now I just want to go reread the whole series altogether. Definitely a must read in my book!!

Review by Tabitha

Nisey Crossin says

The saying 'save the best for the last' applies to me with the final book of the Rosewood Bay series "Dream". I have wanted to hear Andi's story since the beginning groundwork was set for her in "Fearless" with Kane and Halley. Carly takes a very sensitive, heartbreaking situation in Andi's life and tells the story of what a victim of abuse goes thru. The doubts in self, the need for independence but trying to learn to love again and most importantly trust, not just in others but within yourself. This book took me on the self discovering journey of an amazing young lady, re-building a life for herself and her son, the most important man in her life at this point, re-discovering friends, family and a whole world that she had been isolated from for so long.

Add in the one man who truly loved Andi all those years ago and had to let her go due to circumstances he had no control over nor did he understand. Now Kyle is back, and is determined not to fall for Andi again after having had his heart ripped apart all those years ago by her hurtful words and being shut out from his best friend's life and not understanding why. Kyle never got the chance to tell Andi his true feelings all those years ago, to her he was her best friend who was always there, little did she know how he really felt. Now he's back in town, teaching her son's class. While Kyle notices a problem with Nicky's reading and reaches out to Andi to inform her they come face to face for the first time in years.

With a common goal of helping Nicky overcome his reading issue, Kyle learns more and more about the missing years he was away in another city and what has gone on in Andi's life. Learning that things were not what he expected, and spending time with Andi again as well as her son, Kyle's resolve to hold his heart back starts to fall apart. Not only does he fall for Andi again but his heart has opened and fell completely for Nicky as well.

Seems like all things in Andi's life are coming together for a change. She has a man who understands and is considerate with how she needs to feel in control, have her independence while at the same time learning that she can lean on a man again and trust he will be there to support her. Until her ex comes back to town and threatens to destroy all she's built and her new found happiness.

Just simply loved this book and hated to have it all end, beautiful story!!

I received a free copy of this book via Booksprout and am voluntarily leaving a review.
