

Claimed By The Duke A Victorian BdsM Medical Examination Short The Duke Of Maidenborough Book 5

Have you heard? The future Duke of Barrington has just been gambled away by his father. To an heiress! The delicious details thus far... Nicolas, Lord Hatherly, never intended to marry—nor add to the “mad” Hatherly line—but now he must honor his father’s debt to a social-climbing merchant or lose the family estate. A notoriously wild marquess, won by her father at a game of cards, is the very last thing Miss Alice Tombs wants. She’s spent the last three seasons repelling suitors in spectacular fashion so she’d be at liberty to explore the world. She’ll just have to drive this one away as well. Until Nick proposes an utterly tempting arrangement: one summer together to prove the legitimacy of their union, then Alice is free to travel while Nick revels in the time he has left before the Hatherly Madness takes hold. It will be easy to walk away after a few months of make-believe wedded bliss—won’t it? Alice and Nick are about to find out...one sultry night at a time. This ought to be fun . . . An Avon Romance

Bringing Down the DukePenguin

A major new biography of Duke Ellington from the acclaimed author of Pops: A Life of Louis Armstrong Edward Kennedy “Duke” Ellington was the greatest jazz composer of the twentieth century—and an impenetrably enigmatic personality whom no one, not even his closest friends, claimed to understand. The grandson of a slave, he dropped out of high school to become one of the world’s most famous musicians, a showman of incomparable suavity who was as comfortable in Carnegie Hall as in the nightclubs where he honed his style. He wrote some fifteen hundred compositions, many of which, like “Mood Indigo” and “Sophisticated Lady,” remain beloved standards, and he sought inspiration in an endless string of transient lovers, concealing his inner self behind a smiling mask of flowery language and ironic charm. As the biographer of Louis Armstrong, Terry Teachout is uniquely qualified to tell the story of the public and private lives of Duke Ellington. A semi-finalist for the National Book Award, Duke peels away countless layers of Ellington’s evasion and public deception to tell the unvarnished truth about the creative genius who inspired Miles Davis to say, “All the musicians should get together one certain day and get down on their knees and thank Duke.”

Could she possibly refuse a duke’s hand—in favor of a sardonic, sinful rake? Lady Betsy Wilde’s first season was triumphant by any measure, and a duke has proposed—but before marriage, she longs for one last adventure. No gentleman would agree to her scandalous plan—but Lord Jeremy Roden is no gentleman. He offers a wager. If she wins a billiards game, he’ll provide the breeches. If he wins...she is his, for one wild night. But what happens when Jeremy realizes that one night will never be enough? In the most important battle of his life, he’ll have to convince Betsy to say no to the duke.

Family scandal drove Declan Sinclair into exile years ago. Now he’s called home, devastated to discover his brother has been murdered, making Declan the new Duke of Darington. As he tries to unravel what happened to his brother, the clues point to the man he blames for his exile. Declan resolves to ruin the culprit. If only the daughter of the man’s business partner, lovely Lady Alethea Swinton, didn’t tempt his resolve. Lady Alethea Swinton has cultivated her pristine reputation in the hopes of winning her father’s praise. When her childhood friend returns, Alethea finds she’s willing to court scandal and defy her father to help the handsome Declan uncover the truth behind his brother’s death. But Declan’s redemption would mean her family’s ruin... Each book in the Once Upon A Scandal series is STANDALONE: * To Love a Scandalous Duke * To Resist a Scandalous Rogue * To Tame a Scandalous Lady * To Tempt a Scandalous Lord

Sparks fly in the finale of the Scandalous Gentlemen of St. James Place series, as the last wicked rogue meets his match. When Rosalind Sharpe gains the attention of the deliciously

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wicked Duke of Avendale, she's torn between her distracting attraction to the notorious rogue and the knowledge that he—rich as Croesus—is the perfect target for a deception that will put her swindling days behind her. However, Avendale is no fool. After he discovers the tantalizing lady packing up to leave London with his coins in tow, he confronts her with a scandalous proposition: she can have all the money she requires...for a week in his bed. Desperate for the funds, Rose agrees, but on one condition: he must never question her motives. Avendale quickly sees beneath her mask and discovers she is more than passion and pleasure—she is everything he has ever desired. But claiming her requires he unveil her secrets and lose her forever. Unless he can put his own dark past aside and risk everything for a chance at love. Philip Soulden is one of the wealthiest men in England. However, he is common-born, a fact that brings no small measure of annoyance to his fiancée Caroline Wynn's father, the snobbish (but poor) Viscount of Cambridgeshire. Even if Caroline were a commoner like Philip, she would still be far too good for him. Of course, that doesn't make him any less determined to make her his wife. When Caroline learns about the truth of her birth, his plans to wed her are put in jeopardy. However, Lady Wynn will discover that Philip always gets what he wants, and what he wants is her... Claiming Lady Wynn is a sexy short story that may contain historical inaccuracies but definitely contains an obsessed alpha male and a happy ending! If you can get with that, enjoy! WORD COUNT: 4,500

They call him the Doomed Duke. Phineas Duncombe, ninth Duke of Mayne, should not be the duke. After all, he had four-count them-four older brothers! Phin never wanted the dukedom, and the suspicious circumstances of the eighth duke's death lead Phin to question the Countess of Longstowe. The beautiful widow isn't at all what Phin expected. He's intrigued by her and determined to seduce her. The countess is not interested in Phin romantically, but when she comes to him with another request, he can't deny it. A few days in the country with Lady Longstowe reveal two truths to the new duke. One, he cares for the countess much more than any other woman he's ever known. Two, Phin either has very bad luck or someone is trying to kill him. They call her the Wanton Widow. Annabel was barely eighteen when she was married to the elderly Earl of Longstowe. A harsh, sadistic man, the earl's death was not something Annabel mourned. Now in her mid-forties, Annabel enjoys her widowhood and has no desire to ever be under a man's thumb again. Not even a handsome duke like Mayne, who is far too young for her anyway. Annabel's one desire is to find the daughter who was taken away from her. For that she needs a man with power and status. She needs the Duke of Mayne. When the two are thrust together, Annabel struggles to fight her attraction to the charming Phin. She's losing the battle. But can she ever trust another man, especially with the one part of herself she's never given away—her heart?

Discover the magic of New York Times bestseller Melissa Foster's writing, and see why millions of readers have fallen in love with the Love in Bloom series. The Ryders are a series of stand-alone romances that may also be enjoyed as part of the larger series. CLAIMED BY LOVE is a USA Today Bestseller! "You can always rely on Melissa Foster to deliver a story that's fresh, emotional and entertaining. Make sure you have all night, because once you start you won't want to stop reading. Every book's a winner!" _New York Times Bestselling Author Brenda Novak "Melissa Foster is synonymous with sexy, swoony, heartfelt romance!" New York Times Bestseller Lauren Blakely IN CLAIMED BY LOVE... Family law attorney Gabriella Liakos has one true love, Elpitha Island, where she grew up and hopes someday to return. But Elpitha is in financial ruins, and Gabriella will do anything to keep it from falling into the wrong hands. Duke Ryder is a savvy real estate investor set on making Elpitha into an exclusive resort. Unlike other investors, he's not scared of purchasing a property where one family has roots so deep they practically reach the ocean floor...until he meets his beautiful,

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stubborn, and enticing tour host_the daughter of the owner of most of the island. Gabriella sets out to dissuade Duke from purchasing Elpitha, but Duke has other ideas. He wants Gabriella and the island. Duke's powerful seduction draws Gabriella in, but can a savvy investor who's used to glamour and glitz, and a woman interested in preserving the culture she adores find a happily ever after together? *** MORE

RYDERS! Seized by Love (Blue) Chased by Love (Trish) Swept Into Love (Gage) Rescued by Love (Jake) The RYDERS are the newest addition to the Love in Bloom series. Characters from each series appear in future books. Each book may be read as a standalone novel, or as part of the series. Visit Melissa's website for a series guides and checklists. Read the complete LOVE IN BLOOM series: SNOW SISTERS Sisters in Love Sisters in Bloom Sisters in White THE BRADENS (Weston, CO) Lovers at Heart, Reimagined (Treat & Max) Destined for Love (Rex & Jade) Friendship on Fire (Josh & Riley) Sea of Love (Dane & Lacy) Bursting with Love (Savannah & Jack) Hearts at Play (Hugh & Bree) THE BRADENS (Trusty, CO) Taken by Love (Luke) Fated for Love (Wes) Romancing My Love (Pierce) Flirting with Love (Ross) Dreaming of Love (Emily) Crashing into Love (Jake) THE BRADEN WORLD NOVELLAS Promise My Love (Rex & Jade's Wedding Novella) THE REMINGTONS Game of Love (Dex) Stroke of Love (Sage) Flames of Love (Siena) Slope of Love (Rush) Read, Write, Love (Kurt) SEASIDE SUMMERS Seaside Dreams (Bella) Seaside Hearts (Jenna) Seaside Sunsets (Jamie) Seaside Secrets (Amy) Seaside Nights (Sky) Seaside Embrace (Hunter) Seaside Lovers (Grayson) Seaside Whispers (Matt) THE BRADENS (at Peaceful Harbor) Healed by Love (Nate) Surrender My Love (Cole) River of Love (Sam) Crushing on Love (Shannon) Whisper of Love (Tempest) Thrill of Love (Ty) REVIEWS "With her wonderful characters and resonating emotions, Melissa Foster is a must-read author!" New York Times Bestseller Julie Kenner "Melissa Foster is quickly becoming one of my favorites. Fated For Love was amazing. It kind of reminds me of Jill Shalvis' books and they are my benchmark for contemporary romance awesomeness." --Books Like Breathing (on Fated for Love) NEW YORK TIMES and USA TODAY

BESTSELLING AUTHOR Melissa Foster is a New York Times & USA Today bestselling and award-winning author. She writes sexy and heartwarming contemporary romance, new adult romance, and women's fiction with emotionally compelling characters that stay with you long after you turn the last page. Melissa's emotional journeys are lovingly erotic and always family oriented. Melissa loves to chat with book clubs and readers, invite her to your next event. Foster's love stories are perfect steamy romance beach reads for fans of big-family, small-town romance. The characters are romantic and loyal, some are billionaires, others are not, and you're always guaranteed a happily ever after. This book will resonate with people looking to read: small-town romance, feel-good romance, contemporary romance, romantic comedy, series, romantic comedy series, racy, sexy, heartwarming, heart-warming romance, family, love, love books, kissing books, emotional journey, contemporary, contemporary romance, romance series, long series, long romance series, sassy, captivating romance, hot, hot romance, forbidden love, sparks, loyalty, swoon, beach romance, books for summer, books for the beach, beach series, sweetbriar, seaside, love in bloom, bradens, remingtons, ryders, whiskeys, wicked, dirty, fierce, alpha heroes, funny romance, laugh romance, modern romance, cape cod, cape cod romance, USA today, USA today bestseller, smart romance, something funny to read, billionaire, billionaire

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Accused of something they never did. Five boys banished from their homes in disgrace, to the place where they find the brothers of their heart-and build new family ties that will last a lifetime.An army major whose soul is stained by war. A lonely bluestocking who failed miserably during her first Season. Two strangers who bond over an injured kitten . . .Aaron Hartfield is forced to leave the army and return to England to claim a title he never wanted when his brother is killed in a scandalous duel. Hart's friends convince him to attend the Season in order to find himself a duchess and provide an heir-but he has no interest in making a love match.After a disastrous come-out, bluestocking Olivia Knight retreats to her uncle's vicarage in the country for five years. With his death, she returns to London and finds her father and loathsome cousin planning to choose a husband for her. Olivia is interested in a man's character, while her relatives want her to secure a wealthy peer with a lofty title.When Hart meets Olivia, he realizes no one else will do as his duchess, but he keeps silent, wanting her to grow in confidence and receive the attention she deserves before he offers for her.Will Hart wait too late and lose his chance with the blossoming Olivia-or will he speak up and find a lasting love with the ugly duckling who has turned into a beautiful swan?Find the answer in *Delighting the Duke*, Book 4 in *Dukes Done Wrong*.Each book in *Dukes Done Wrong* is a standalone story that can be enjoyed out of order.*Dukes Done Wrong*Discouraging the DukeDeflecting the DukeDisrupting the DukeDelighting the DukeDestiny with a Duke

An artist stumbles upon a naked duke and an unlikely love story begins in this captivating Victorian historical romance. When Royal Academy painting student Lucy Coover trips over a naked man passed out in an East End alley, she does the decent thing. She covers him up and fetches help. Trouble is, she can't banish his muscular form from her dreams as easily. Compelled to capture every detail, she creates a stunning portrait but is forced to sell it when the rent comes due. What could be worse than surrendering the very picture of your desire? Meeting the man himself. Anthony Philby, Duke of Weston, is nobody's muse. Upon discovering the scandalous likeness, he springs into action. His infamous family has been torn apart by shame and secrets, and he can't afford more gossip. Even a whisper may jeopardize his inheritance and his chance at independence. His plan is simple: burn the painting, confront the artist. Or rather, it's simple until he meets Lucy and decides to offer the bewitching young artist a devil's bargain. He'll help save her foreclosed home, if she'll help repair his family's brutal legacy. An irresistible passion ignites between them, but when danger strikes, Lucy and Anthony must risk everything... for a love that might destroy them both.

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As the daughter of a famed author, Isolde Ophelia Goodnight grew up on tales of brave knights and fair maidens. She never doubted romance would be in her future, too. The storybooks offered endless possibilities. And as she grew older, Izzy crossed them off. One by one by one. Ugly duckling turned swan? Abducted by handsome highwayman? Rescued from drudgery by charming prince? No, no, and . . . Heh. Now Izzy's given up yearning for romance. She'll settle for a roof over her head. What fairy tales are left over for an impoverished twenty-six year-old woman who's never even been kissed? This one.

"Heath steals your heart, then takes you on a journey that will leave you torn between tears and joy." —Christina Dodd New York Times bestselling author Lorraine Heath writes sweet temptations—richly, deliciously passionate, high concept historical romance in the vein of Lisa Kleypas and Liz Carlyle. With *She Tempts the Duke*, Heath kicks off another enthralling series, this time following the fortunes of the Lost Lords of Pembroke—three dark and dangerous noble brothers imprisoned and robbed of their inheritance, but free now and determined to reclaim their birthright. Set in England during Victoria's reign, *She Tempts the Duke* is the enthrallingly romantic story of Sebastian, who fled to battle, and his return to London, a hardened soldier, drawn to the beautiful, brave lady who helped him and his brothers escape their captivity. When the woman to whom he has been betrothed since childhood decides to call off the wedding, the Duke of Huntsley, a.k.a. the Lord of Vice, is surprised by his refusal to let Lady Grace Kearly go, viewing her as a beautiful challenge he cannot resist. Original. 75,000 first printing.

Claimed For The Leonelli Legacy - Lynne Graham Tia Grayson has never known life outside the Brazilian convent she calls home. Until Max Leonelli arrives with the shocking news that she is heiress to an English fortune — and ignites a burning need for his touch... Tia's grandfather expects a match between his protégée and his heir — but Max is not a marrying man. Until the sight of Tia's ravishing beauty has him reconsidering. Max must escort Tia home, but desire soon overtakes them. After one incendiary night, the potential for consequences gives Max the perfect opportunity to claim Tia as his bride! *Innocent In The Billionaire's Bed* - Clare Connelly Rio

Mastrangelo doesn't want anything from the father who never acknowledged him. So when he unexpectedly inherits an island paradise, he's determined to sell it as fast as he can! But the potential purchaser who lands on his shores is not the spoiled heiress he's been expecting — and her luscious body fills him with a rush of hot, undeniable desire. Cash-strapped Tilly Morgan accepted a payment to impersonate her best friend, but she hadn't bargained on sexy Rio. When a storm hits, trapping them together, there's nowhere to run from their raging hunger — and passion threatens to uncover Tilly's every vulnerability... *Undone By The Billionaire Duke* - Caitlin Crews The brazen antics of Hugo, Duke of Grovesmoor and the string of women to grace his bed are tabloid gold. But Eleanor Andrews, newly hired to care for the duke's young ward, refuses to see him as anything but her boss. She desperately needs this job. No matter how gorgeous Hugo is, the stakes are simply too high... Well acquainted with lies and betrayal, Hugo is jaded and cynical, unconcerned with dispelling the salacious rumors about him. But there's something about Eleanor which fires his blood, and he can't turn down the challenge to unbutton his uptight employee! *An Heir To Make A Marriage* - Abby Green In desperation to save her father, housekeeper Rose O'Malley thinks she

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can trap a man. But the second she faces Zac Valenti and the force of his palpable sensuality, she knows she can't go through with it! Before she can call off her deception, Manhattan's most eligible bachelor sweeps Rose off her feet — and into his bed! Stealing away like a guilty Cinderella, Rose vows never to see Zac again...until she discovers she's pregnant and Zac demands his passionate betrayer and his baby remain under his control!

Simon Basset, the irresistible Duke of Hastings, has hatched a plan to keep himself free from the town's marriage-minded society mothers. He pretends to be engaged to the lovely Daphne Bridgerton. After all, it isn't as if the brooding rogue has any real plans to marry - though there is something about the alluring Miss Bridgerton that sets Simon's heart beating a bit faster. And as for Daphne, surely the clever debutante will attract some very worthy suitors now that it seems a duke has declared her desirable. But as Daphne waltzes across ballroom after ballroom with Simon, she soon forgets that their courtship is a complete sham. And now she has to do the impossible and keep herself from losing her heart and soul completely to the handsome hell-raiser who has sworn off marriage forever!

“With her sterling debut, Evie Dunmore dives into a fresh new space in historical romance that hits all the right notes.”—Entertainment Weekly A stunning debut for author Evie Dunmore and her Oxford suffragists in which a fiercely independent vicar's daughter takes on a powerful duke in a fiery love story that threatens to upend the British social order. England, 1879. Annabelle Archer, the brilliant but destitute daughter of a country vicar, has earned herself a place among the first cohort of female students at the renowned University of Oxford. In return for her scholarship, she must support the rising women's suffrage movement. Her charge: recruit men of influence to champion their cause. Her target: Sebastian Devereux, the cold and calculating Duke of Montgomery who steers Britain's politics at the Queen's command. Her challenge: not to give in to the powerful attraction she can't deny for the man who opposes everything she stands for. Sebastian is appalled to find a suffragist squad has infiltrated his ducal home, but the real threat is his impossible feelings for green-eyed beauty Annabelle. He is looking for a wife of equal standing to secure the legacy he has worked so hard to rebuild, not an outspoken commoner who could never be his duchess. But he wouldn't be the greatest strategist of the Kingdom if he couldn't claim this alluring bluestocking without the promise of a ring...or could he? Locked in a battle with rising passion and a will matching her own, Annabelle will learn just what it takes to topple a duke.... “There is nothing quite so satisfying as seeing such a man brought to his knees by a beautiful woman with nothing to her name except an inviolable sense of her own self-worth.”—NPR

...the huge dark bulk of Gardenhour rose at his back

Family law attorney Gabriella Liakos has one true love, Elpitha Island, where she grew up and hopes someday to return. But Elpitha is in financial ruins, and Gabriella will do anything to keep it from falling into the wrong hands. Duke Ryder is a savvy real estate investor set on making Elpitha into an exclusive resort. Unlike other investors, he's not scared of purchasing a property where one family has roots so deep they practically reach the ocean floor...until he meets his beautiful, stubborn, and enticing tour host, the daughter of the owner of most of the island. Gabriella sets out to dissuade Duke from purchasing Elpitha, but Duke has other ideas. He wants Gabriella and the island.

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Duke's powerful seduction draws Gabriella in, but can a savvy investor who's used to glamour and glitz and a woman interested in preserving the culture she adores find a happily ever after together?

From the New York Times bestselling author who “delivers lively lovers” and “entertaining, sensual historical romance” (Booklist) comes the first in her new series *The Duke's Men*, featuring the Duke of Lyons and the illegitimate daughter of a viscount. They are the Duke's Men—an investigative agency born out of family pride and irresistible passion...and they risk their lives and hearts to unravel any shocking deception or scandalous transgression. Maximilian Cale, the Duke of Lyons, accepted long ago that his kidnapped brother was dead. When a cryptic note from investigator Tristan Bonnaud claims otherwise, Max seeks out Tristan's sister, Lisette—and is infuriated to learn that Tristan has mysteriously vanished. Have the siblings perpetrated an elaborate hoax? Or is the fiercely protective beauty as innocent as she claims? Fearful that the powerful duke will destroy Tristan's career in his zeal for the truth, the clever Lisette convinces Max to accompany her to Paris in a joint search for their loved ones. But their journey takes a seductive twist when they pose as an ordinary husband and wife—not an English duke with a tarnished family name and the illegitimate daughter of a viscount—and discover an exhilarating passion free from the damning secrets of the past. With the line between danger and desire enticingly blurred, they discover that some mysteries, like those of the heart, are answered tenfold in the bliss of a true and trusting love.

The first in an exciting new series by USA Today bestseller Kerrigan Byrne! These men are dark, bold, and brave. And there is only one woman who can bring them to their knees... Famed and brilliant, Lady Alexandra Lane has always known how to look out for to herself. But nobody would ever expect that she has darkness in her past—one that she pays a blackmailer to keep buried. Now, with her family nearing bankruptcy, Alexandra strikes upon a solution: Get married to one of the empire's most wealthy eligible bachelors. Even if he does have the reputation of a devil. **LOVE TAKES NO PRISONERS** Piers Gedrick Atherton, the Duke of Redmayne, is seeking revenge and the first step is securing a bride. Winning a lady's hand is not so easy, however, for a man known as the Terror of Torcliff. Then, Alexandra enters his life like a bolt of lightning. When she proposes marriage, Piers knows that, like him, trouble haunts her footsteps. But her gentleness, sharp wit, independent nature, and incredible beauty awakens every fierce desire within him. He will do whatever it takes to keep her safe in his arms. “Romantic, lush, and suspenseful.”—New York Times bestselling author Suzanne Enoch

Daniel Hayle, Duke of Carlisle, returned from Waterloo a hero, and he has the wounds to prove it. But he dreads the coming London season as he never did the battlefield, where his lack of social skills is certain to make it difficult to find a wife. What he needs is someone to help him practice socializing with the ton. Someone who isn't frightened away by his scars . . . Margery Kitteridge is still mourning the loss of her husband. So when she receives a blackmail letter accusing him of desertion, she's desperate to protect his reputation. The answer to her troubles appears in the form of a damaged, reclusive—and much-too-desirable—duke in need of a wife. She proposes an alliance: she'll help him find a bride, in return for the money to pay off the blackmailer. But working so closely together awakens passions they never imagined possible, and

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reveals secrets that might tear them apart.

For fans of Mary Balogh and Lisa Kleypas comes a poignant Regency romance full of secrets to reveal and a love to fight for from bestselling author Jane Ashford Peter Rathbone, Duke of Compton, is mourning the loss of his sister Delia, but the work of keeping his family's deteriorating estate afloat is never done. When Miss Ada Grandison, a close friend of his sister, arrives with a mysterious letter that she claims holds the secret to saving the family home, Peter is skeptical to say the least...his life is about to get even more complicated. Ada is eager to do whatever she can to help the Rathbones. She brings clues that Delia claimed would change everything for the family and that lead Ada and Peter on a hunt to unravel the past. But they'll have to face their painful memories—and their true feelings for each other—to discover the truth.

Miss Amelia Blackmore has received the most interesting letter. The Dowager Duchess of Harrowden has requested that she visit Harrowden Hall under the guise of being her companion. Her true motive, however, is to successfully pair her son, the duke, with a potential love match. Intrigued by the prospect, Amelia sets off on an adventure, unprepared for the duke's reaction to his mother's new companion. Edmund, the Duke of Harrowden, is miserable and has no qualms about showing it. When a young lady shows up claiming to be his mother's new companion, he immediately dismisses her. To his surprise, she defies him. Who does she think she is? No one dares defy him! Edmund is adamant that Amelia needs to go, so he continuously strives to rid Harrowden Hall of his mother's vexing companion. Soon, he realizes that there is more to her than what he first observed, making him in real danger of losing his heart to Amelia. When the truth finally is revealed, can Edmund let go of his pride - and his past - to go after the woman he loves?

SAY YES TO THE DUKE Kieran Kramer Janice Sherwood wants to marry for love, but she's failed to make a match after two Seasons. Her parents, the Marquess and Marchioness of Brady, arrange to send her to the Duke of Halsey's country estate as a short-term guest of his grandmother, the dowager, in hopes that she might win the duke's affections. What they never could have imagined is that Janice would fall for the ruggedly handsome servant Luke, who lives in the stables and carries an air of mystery and temptation. When Luke Callahan learns that he is the legitimate heir to a dukedom, he will stop at nothing to claim what is his. But first, he must begin a game of disguise to secure his rightful inheritance. Janice isn't part of his plan. But by engaging her in this dance of deception, might he lose her forever?

Lady Johanna Darby has loved Benedict Carver since they were young, but he's never seen her as more than his best friend's little sister. When Benedict marries another and emigrates to America, she knows she will never love another. But with her sisters all wed, Johanna resigns herself to finding a match to finally leave her family home and give her brother his much-deserved freedom to find his own wife. Until Benedict unexpectedly returns, newly titled and widowed. Benedict Carver never doubted his place as the second son of a duke, mostly because his father would never let him forget it. Denied the station he desired at his family's beloved Raeford Court, Benedict is sent to America with the bride his father

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chose for him. But when his brother dies in a tragic accident, Benedict finds himself with the title and an estate on the brink of collapse thanks to his brother's gambling debts and neglect. Having sworn never to remarry, Benedict must now select a bride with a hefty fortune if he is to save his beloved Raeford Court. Even if that bride is his best friend's little sister. The Duke and the Spitfire is the fourth book in the steamy, heart-stopping historical romance series, The Unwanted Dukes. If you love sexy, spellbinding romance and heartwarming humor, don't miss this captivating series from bestselling author Jessie Clever. Discover adventure and romance when you download The Duke and the Spitfire today.

A grieving Duke, a disregarded daughter, an unsuitable love, a trap set to compromise, an unexpected happy ending. Hunter Barrington, Duke of Melton, returned from war a changed man. Grieving his lost love, now the holder of a title that he had never thought to inherit, and expected to marry at the earliest opportunity, what he needed most was someone who could see him, simply as himself. Lady Nerissa Loughbridge, the second daughter, always outshone by her beautiful sister, perpetually reproved for her hoydenish ways. What she needed most was someone who could see her, just for herself, who might allow that her dreams had value, simply because she wished them. Then one day, in the winter woods, they met... But a few magical weeks of delightful friendship were swept away by the hectic London Season, as Lady Nerissa's transformation from ordinary, to the Incomparable of the Season, brought a flock of suitors, and the Duke's new title made him the catch of the year. Can they find their way back to each other, through all their hearts' confusion? Can Lady Nerissa thaw a heart frozen in grief, and claim it for her own?

USA Today bestseller Lenora Bell returns to her Wallflowers vs. Rogues series with a romance between a lady and the scoundrel claiming to be next-in-line for her father's title. Lady Henrietta Prince is far too busy for romance. She's dedicated her life to turning her family vineyards into a profitable sparkling wine venture. But when she shares a thrilling kiss at midnight with a handsome stranger, she's captivated...until he claims to be the distant heir to her father's dukedom. Ash Ellis is a gambler who lives life on the edge. Now he's locked his sights on a glittering prize and nothing will stand in his way. When Henrietta is forced to marry the wicked rogue to keep her beloved vineyards, she vows that Ash will never have her trust, or her love. Even if his kisses are more intoxicating than the finest champagne. His new bride is certainly beautiful, but biddable? Not so much. Ash will settle for nothing less than Henrietta's total surrender...but is he the one in danger of losing his heart?

The brooding, illegitimate son of a duke meets his match in the determined woman hired to transform him into a gentleman from USA Today bestselling author Christi Caldwell—perfect for fans of Bridgerton. Rafe Audley lives to thwart his father, the Duke of Bentley. The ne'er do well who abandoned his children claims he wants to make up for his failures, but Rafe only cares about protecting

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the people of his mining community and providing for his three siblings, who've been his sole responsibility since childhood. So far, Rafe has turned away the duke's man of affairs, solicitor, and other interlopers, until the clever duke sends the unlikeliest of people to convince Rafe to join English High Society—a bold and intriguing woman. Edwina Dalrymple has never failed a charge. She's quite adept at successfully transforming young women of the gentry and daughters of newly minted lords to take their place in society. Taming a bastard son of a duke will be child's play, plus this job promises to enhance her reputation within the ton. All she has to do is fetch the wayward Rafe and groom him to be presentable to Polite Society. As the tenacious teacher and her domineering, stubborn, refuses-to-be-taught pupil engage in a fiery battle of wills, their chemistry ignites and the true lesson becomes clear: opposites attract and hearts must be heard.

~New England RWA Readers' Choice Awards Finalist~ ~Golden Quill Finalist~
~Maggie Award of Excellence Finalist~ He's a bad boy duke in disguise. She's a former bar maid and the mother of his secret baby. Fate reunites them, but will their secrets tear them apart? Find out in this sizzling reunion romance! One wicked night of passion results in life-altering consequences for innocent bar maid Maggie Goode. Years later, she's a respectable widow, but her troubles are far from over. With debts looming, she must salvage her fossil shop to support herself and her beloved daughter. Fate leads her to a man who can save her business...but he's also the biggest mistake from her past. The son of an English aristocrat and a Chinese merchant's daughter, Rhys Cavendish, the Duke of Ranelagh and Somerville ("Ransom"), hides his secret pain behind a rakish façade. Yet he cannot hide from his debts, and now he's on the run from cutthroat moneylenders—and the necessity of marrying for convenience. His last hope: the inheritance his uncle left him in the form of a treasure map. When he goes to hire help for his expedition, he comes face to face with a woman he's never forgotten...and a daughter he never knew he had. Dangerous secrets smolder between Maggie and Rhys, but neither can resist a scorching reunion. Personal demons and hidden enemies rise to threaten their passionate romance. Will they defy all odds to find the ultimate treasure: a love for all time? All of Grace's books feature hot steamy romance, fun and feel-good happily ever afters, and exciting mystery and adventure. Her books are standalones which can also be enjoyed as part of her interconnected series. Game of Dukes series: Book 1: The Duke Identity (Harry & Tessa) Book 2: Enter the Duke (Rhys & Maggie) Book 3: Regarding the Duke (Garrity & Gabriella) Book 4: The Duke Redemption (Wick & Bea) Book 5: The Return of the Duke (Knight & Fancy) Lady Charlotte's Society of Angels series: Book 1: Olivia and the Masked Duke (Preorder today!) Heart of Enquiry (Kent family saga) series: Prequel Novella: The Widow Vanishes (Will & Annabel) Book 1: The Duke Who Knew Too Much (Alaric & Emma) Book 2: M is for Marquess (Gabriel & Thea) Book 3: The Lady Who Came in from the Cold (Marcus & Penny) Book 4: The Viscount Always Knocks Twice (Richard & Violet) Book 5: Never Say Never to an Earl (Sinjin &

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Polly) Book 6: The Gentleman Who Loved Me (Andrew & Primrose) Mayhem in Mayfair series: Book 1: Her Husband's Harlot (Helena & Nicholas) Book 2: Her Wanton Wager (Percy & Gavin) Book 3: Her Protector's Pleasure (Marianne & Ambrose) Book 4: Her Prodigal Passion (Charity & Paul) Chronicles of Abigail Jones (hot paranormal Victorian gothic romance): Book 1: Abigail Jones
New York Times bestselling author Sarah MacLean returns with the much-anticipated final book in her Bareknuckle Bastards series, featuring a scoundrel duke and the powerful woman who brings him to his knees. Grace Condry has spent a lifetime running from her past. Betrayed as a child by her only love and raised on the streets, she now hides in plain sight as queen of London's darkest corners. Grace has a sharp mind and a powerful right hook and has never met an enemy she could not best...until the man she once loved returns. Single-minded and ruthless, Ewan, Duke of Marwick, has spent a decade searching for the woman he never stopped loving. A long-ago gamble may have lost her forever, but Ewan will go to any lengths to win Grace back...and make her his duchess. Reconciliation is the last thing Grace desires. Unable to forgive the past, she vows to take her revenge. But revenge requires keeping Ewan close, and soon her enemy seems to be something else altogether—something she can't resist, even as he threatens the world she's built, the life she's claimed...and the heart she swore he'd never steal again.

The pleasure of your company is requested at Warbury Park. Four lovely ladies will arrive... but only one can become a duchess. James, the scandalously uncivilized Duke of Harland, requires a bride with a spotless reputation for a strictly business arrangement. Lust is prohibited and love is out of the question. Four ladies. Three days. What could go wrong? She is not like the others...
Charlene Beckett, the unacknowledged daughter of an earl and a courtesan, has just been offered a life-altering fortune to pose as her half-sister, Lady Dorothea, and win the duke's proposal. All she must do is: * Be the perfect English rose [Ha!] * Breathe, smile, and curtsy in impossibly tight gowns [blast Lady Dorothea's sylph-like figure] * Charm and seduce a wild duke [without appearing to try] * Keep said duke far, far from her heart [no matter how tempting] When secrets are revealed and passion overwhelms, James must decide if the last lady he should want is really everything he needs. And Charlene must decide if the promise of a new life is worth risking everything . . . including her heart.
Isabella longed to leave poverty behind. When she is hired as a Lady's Maid for Lady Emilia, The Duke of Northfolk's cousin, at his estate, she believes her life will change for the better. Isabella is beautiful and intelligent and catches the eye of the Duke, for a brief moment. Jeremy Follett has no interest in settling down, although his mother, the Dowager Duchess and Lady Emilia plan to change that, and steer him away from the cunning woman who is in love with him, Lady Henrietta. But the Duke has no need for marriage and prefers many women to be by his side, not one forever. But as a desperate Lady Emilia wants Jeremy to fall in love and produce heirs, she decides to take matters into her own hands. When the Duke meets the stunning woman that is presented to him at a ball, his heart stills. But soon, the Duke is back to his wandering ways, willing to have fun with this beautiful woman, while keeping his heart

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detached. But Lady Henrietta has eyes of her own, and when she sees the Duke with the beautiful stranger, she intervenes, because if she can't have the Duke of Northfolk, no one will. What began that night shocked Duke University and Durham, North Carolina. And it continues to captivate the nation: the Duke lacrosse team members' alleged rape of an African-American stripper and the unraveling of the case against them. In this ever-deepening American tragedy, Stuart Taylor Jr. and KC Johnson argue, law enforcement, a campaigning prosecutor, biased journalists, and left-leaning academics repeatedly refused to pursue the truth while scapegoats were made of these young men, recklessly tarnishing their lives. The story harbors multiple dramas, including the actions of a DA running for office; the inappropriate charges that should have been apparent to academics at Duke many months ago; the local and national media, who were so slow to take account of the publicly available evidence; and the appalling reactions of law enforcement, academia, and many black leaders. Until Proven Innocent is the only book that covers all five aspects of the case (personal, legal, academic, political, and media) in a comprehensive fashion. Based on interviews with key members of the defense team, many of the unindicted lacrosse players, and Duke officials, it is also the only book to include interviews with all three of the defendants, their families, and their legal teams. Taylor and Johnson's coverage of the Duke case was the earliest, most honest, and most comprehensive in the country, and here they take the idiocies and dishonesty of right- and left-wingers alike head on, shedding new light on the dangers of rogue prosecutors and police and a cultural tendency toward media-fueled travesties of justice. The context of the Duke case has vast import and contains likable heroes, unfortunate victims, and memorable villains—and in its full telling, it is captivating nonfiction with broad political, racial, and cultural relevance to our times.

Once upon a time, a handsome and eligible Portuguese duke-- Duke Francisco Duarte das Santas Aguas (aka Frank)--returned to his fairy-tale villa, the same magical villa where he found true love as a teenager. But when an unexpected reunion with his long-ago love Julia Cooper leads to a sizzling night with one simple kiss (aka an incredibly hot night), their slumbering chemistry is awake...and how! It's so tempting, that Julia and Frank make an agreement: rekindle their newly awakened desires thoroughly...and keep it temporary. Swimming, food, hot and delicious love--it's paradise. But it becomes increasingly clear that their desire won't go back to sleep easily. After all those lost years, can Frank and Julia still find their fairy-tale ending?

Welcome to the new world from Alexa Aston--Dukes Done Wrong. Accused of something they never did. Five boys banished from their homes in disgrace, to the place where they find the brothers of their heart--and build new family ties that will last a lifetime. An angry army spy who becomes a reluctant duke. A virgin widow who seeks a husband who will give her children. An attraction that leads to passion . . . and love . . . Wyatt Stanton served as a spy for Wellington until he receives word of his brother's death. Reluctantly, he returns to England as the Duke of Amesbury and to Amberwood, a place he once loved and was banished from after his brother falsely accused Wyatt of burning down the family stables with over two dozen horses inside. His soul seared by war, the man who lived for danger must now become a member of Polite Society and find himself a duchess so he has an heir. Meadow Grant's father sold her to Lord Selfridge so he could pay his gambling debts. Selfridge collects beautiful things, and Meadow is the most beautiful girl of the Season. Once he possessed her, Selfridge lost interest and moved on to other things. Now a widow, the resilient Meadow is ready to make her own choice this time and find a husband who yearns for children as much as she does. Though attracted to the Duke of Amesbury, he is far too arrogant and conceited for her tastes, even if he does kiss well. Wyatt is bored with all the younger women on the Marriage Mart, but he believes the beautiful and more mature Lady Selfridge fits his idea of a suitable duchess. The fact that he is attracted to her and she gets along well with his friends only confirms she is the one. Meadow

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wants to be courted, though, and Wyatt is up to the challenge, relentless in his pursuit, even liking how Meadow makes him work to earn her favor. Though neither looks for love, will the reckless Wyatt and spitfire Meadow realize love has found them and will flourish, given the chance? Find the answer in Deflecting the Duke, Book 2 in Dukes Done Wrong. Each book in Dukes Done Wrong is a standalone story that can be enjoyed out of order. Dukes Done Wrong
Book #1: Discouraging the Duke Book #2: Deflecting the Duke Book #3: Disrupting the Duke
Book #4: Delighting the Duke Book #5: Destiny with a Duke

On July 9, 2011, South Sudan celebrated its independence as the world's newest nation, an occasion that the country's Christian leaders claimed had been foretold in the Book of Isaiah. The Bible provided a foundation through which the South Sudanese could distinguish themselves from the Arab and Muslim Sudanese to the north and understand themselves as a spiritual community now freed from their oppressors. Less than three years later, however, new conflicts emerged along ethnic lines within South Sudan, belying the liberation theology that had supposedly reached its climactic conclusion with independence. In Chosen Peoples, Christopher Tounsel investigates the centrality of Christian worldviews to the ideological construction of South Sudan and the inability of shared religion to prevent conflict. Exploring the creation of a colonial-era mission school to halt Islam's spread up the Nile, the centrality of biblical language in South Sudanese propaganda during the Second Civil War (1983--2005), and postindependence transformations of religious thought in the face of ethnic warfare, Tounsel highlights the potential and limitations of deploying race and Christian theology to unify South Sudan.

What I Did For a Duke with Bonus Material by Julie Anne Long has descriptive copy which is not yet available from the Publisher.

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