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Shelby's a newly single mother learning how to be herself again.

Zack's the hot military man next door who loves a good adventure.

And a chance encounter at a steamy summer softball game will challenge what they both thought they knew about their hearts, their lives, and their forevers.

## **Moonshine & Magnolias Details**

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## **From Reader Review Moonshine & Magnolias for online ebook**

### **Debbie Rice says**

This was a fun fun read has a HOT military man and the sassiest woman you ever met!! Shelby is a divorced mom she meets Zack at a baseball game, but he's also her next door neighbor. well at the ballgame Shelby breaks her arm, and our Zack is right there to help her!! He's so sweet you just wanna melt!! Loved the banter between them. This is a must read for your summer reading!!

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### **Kim Reads (Read Your Writes Book Reviews) says**

Moonshine & Magnolias marks my first time reading Jaime Farrell. Oh my gosh!!! I have seriously been missing out. I was in a reading funk and I swear Jaime had me laughing with the southern charm zingers her character Shelby Thermokopolos was sending out.

"You're dog's in the magnolia tree."

"That's a real good grip on the obvious you've got there, bless your heart."

Moonshine & Magnolias is part of the Ex-Wives Series, but is a standalone read. Shelby is a single mom with two small children and a pug who loves to climb trees. When Shelby is injured, her next door neighbor, Zack Montgomery steps in to help her out.

Zack never thought about being married or having a family. He simply lives for adventure and wants to travel the world. All that changes when he actually spends a little time with Shelby.

Moonshine & Magnolias had me laughing and smiling from the beginning. I can't wait to read more from Jaime Farrell.

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### **Quinn Fforde says**

So funny and sweet

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### **Melissa Spears says**

Fun fun fun book! I love the playfulness of Shelby and Zach! Shelby is a great mom who needs a great guy....in comes Zach.....hot fun guy who knocks her flat....literally! I loved seeing Shelby realize that she can be a great mom and lighten up a bit and enjoy life!

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### **Ash says**

Too short, too rushed. Not enough time for any real character development.

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### **Gail says**

What an amazing book! So hard to put down. So much excitement going on and you never know what was going to happen next. Shelby, a divorced mom of two little kids vowed to never get involved with another military man. Zack, the hot military man is renovating the house next door so he can rent it out when he is shipped to Alaska. There is an attraction between them that they are both fighting. Will true love prevail? Read the book to see how it all ends. You will not be sorry. This story is also part of the Small Town Summer Boxed Set.

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### **Carol [Goodreads Addict] says**

Moonshine and Magnolias is book two in The Officers' Ex-Wives Club series by Jamie Farrell. I read it as part of the Small Town Summer Anthology.

Shelby is a fairly new member of the Officers' Ex-Wives Club. She has moved back home to Georgia and made a new life for her and her two adorable children. Shelby is a southerner through and through, and southern women were not weak. She would be fine. But the one thing she doesn't need in her life right now is another man, especially the hot and steamy one that is living right next door.

Zack Montgomery has everything planned out. He is home from deployment and has taken some leave to fix up a house he hopes to rent out when his orders come in. He is going to Alaska. He has seven years left until he can retire. Then with the income from his rentals and his retirement, he wants to travel the world. So part of that plan does NOT include the beautiful woman and her kids next door. No matter how sexy she is.

But, at a neighborhood softball game, when Shelby slides in to home plate and breaks her arm, Zack can't seem to keep himself from wanting to help her out. Shelby had so many walls up and all Zack wanted to do was tear them down.

***“He was funny, he was hot, and he kissed better than a sailor cussed.”***

These two together were amazing and hilarious. Shelby was determined that she would remain a southern lady, no matter what. But the names she had for Zack had me laughing out loud. Through it all, though, Shelby still wanted to be loved, to be treated like a woman. So it was only a matter of time before she let

Zack in.

***“She wasn’t a duty. She wasn’t an obligation. She was a woman he wanted.”***

If you haven’t read the first book in this series, Southern Fried Blues, I highly recommend it. It’s amazing. You don’t need to have read it before this one but you do get to revisit the main characters from it. I am proud to say that I have read all of Jamie’s books and believe me when I say that they are all full of laugh out loud moments, sweet romance, and characters you will fall in love with. As is the case with Moonshine and Magnolias. I loved it.

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### **Anna says**

I just loved this story. I was laughing so hard at her sassy, southern sayings. And their funny flirting reminded me of my hubby and I. Thoroughly enjoyed it!!

Shelby is a southern, sassy woman who is learning to be her own woman after six years of marriage and losing herself in the process.

Zach is Shelby's too hot to handle neighbor awaiting his military orders to ship out again. But when flirting and sexy banter are no longer enough, can they agree to a sexy weekend and nothing more? Zach never thought about dating a woman with kids but he can't get Shelby or her kids out of his mind or heart. Will she be able to see around his military lifestyle and trust him or will she give up the only man who has ever made her truly feel like a woman.

Can Zach truly give up his bachelor mentality and free roaming ways and make Shelby see that Moonshine and Magnolias are all he will ever need.

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### **Santanu Bera says**

Very good. Amazing

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### **Regina says**

Another great fun and heart-warming read! I might have wished it were a bit longer, though. :)

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### **Bernie says**

#### **Moonshine and Magnolias review**

Moonshine and Magnolias is the third delightful romantic comedy in The Officer's Ex-Wives Club series written by author Jamie Farrell.

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### **Cynthia says**

This author is something else I have been a fan since her first book. I love her writing style, her sense of humor. There is no way you can read one of her books and not laugh or at least smile. Ms. Farrell puts the sass back in sassy and the gentlemen back in the south with the sassy Shelby who can cut a man down if not from a look than with her sassy southern ways. This spunky little lady is about to set Zack's world upside down.

I love the baiting back and forward between these two bullhead characters, neither wanting to give an inch as both take a mile. There is nothing like a good old southern lady putting you in your place with her southern charm or a Yankee taking it as he dishes it back. I loved the names Shelby made up for Zack each one was better than the last. She is a lady with a lot of sparks that she lets them fly as she puts him in his place. The only problem is Zack doesn't know his place as he turns the tables and let's some sparks fly of his own. The author gives you such a natural story with wonderful characters you can relate to as they keep you in stitches. I have to admit there was one place I just said the heck with it and set my coffee down before it went all over my kindle.

Zack is such a hot stud as he tries to gain control and help an ex military mom when she breaks her arm sliding into him at a baseball game. He is a true gentleman as you will see when the moonshine comes out and Shelby lets go of a few of her secrets...one being about her ex lord that was funny. Zack has no plans to settle down he wants to see the world I do believe the tides are going to be turning as Shelby shows him she might be his world. Zack is just a down to earth guy I just adored him. I would love to bless Zack's little heart as I hubba-bubba with him. He can't seem to stay on his side of the fence when it comes to the trouble Shelby gets into. He has a protective nature with a wonderful giving heart.

Shelby is just a wonderful character from her sassy mouth to her caring ways. She has a thing for knees (at least Zack's knees), her kids, southern sayings, friends and the ex military wife's club. I just love how she tears you down with her sweet saying of sacrum in her sweet as pie way. She does seem to get into a mess of trouble, she doesn't ask for help never depending on anyone. Just don't let her in the moonshine or you might find out more than you want to know. She is about to have her hands full with Zack as he turns the tables and gives her a dance for her money.

There was nothing I didn't like about this book Ms. Farrell has an outstanding writing style that I love with her outgoing sense of humor that will keep you laughing. She gives you down to earth characters that you can relate to. Her supporting characters are outstanding giving you smiles after smiles. There are so many scenes that I loved in this book it is so hard to pick just one. If you haven't tried any of this authors books you sure do not know what you are missing.

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### **Nicola Mckenna says**

I received an advance copy of Moonshine and Magnolias (a novella in the Small Town Summer box set) for

the purpose of leaving an honest review. Not hard to give this boxset a hearty 5-stars, it was... phenomenal.

Packed with strong stories, each novella brought me right into the characters' hearts (and sometimes bodies, WOW!). I loved the different voices of each author, and I can honestly say that each of these novellas delivers richness and satisfaction in spades.

The emotion and action were straight off the bat, and gave me what I love - a fast-paced read. I delighted in the strong characters and super-real love scenes. What struck me was the snap-bang openings to each story, but what really stood out was that each story went deeper, stronger, and more real. These are novellas but you'll see that the story lengths are generous and loyal to the needs of the story being told. To boot, this box set is totally worth ten times the small cover price.

Small Town Summer truly is a gem and it's already on my keeper shelf. A fabulous intro to some authors whose backcatalog I now need to add to my reading list.

Thank you Jamie Farrell for the opportunity to read another of your amazing stories, and congratulations to all the hardworking writers of Small Town Summer.

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### **Becky Burciaga says**

From the first "Bless your heart!", I once again lost myself in pure Southern charm with a plethora of witty and hilarious dialog. Ms Farrell is a master of capturing the nuances of a Southern lady's take charge upbringing, with a dose of Redneck thrown in for good measure. Along with the first two books in the series, I have seldom come across an author who had me laughing right out of the gate.

The interplay between Zack and Shelby whipped back and forth, with him enjoying the southern that spewed from her at every turn. The clever dialog takes on a life of its own, driven by Shelby's penchant for Southern colloquialisms. After one of her bless your heart's to Zach, she had to clear the air for him with: "Honey, you know that's not the nicest thing I could say to you, don't you?"

Just as quick with his quips, he replied:

"My momma says I should take any blessing I can get."

The story is chock full of this snappy banter between Zack and Shelby...and was a true delight to read. Not too mention had me chuckling throughout the book. Throw in the fiery banter between the women of the Officers' Ex-Wives Club, and you have the winning mixture for a book that was tremendously entertaining.

This book was provided by the Publisher and Netgalley, I am voluntarily providing my honest review.

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### **Alisa Lawry says**

I wasn't a fan of this book. With the mention of new ex wives club members that I didn't know about felt weird. And I just didn't feel Shelby and Zack. Sorry

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