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WILDE TIMES is the fourth and final novel in the spicy contemporary romance series about four sexy brothers, their small-town bar and their local country band.

In high school, Jake Wilde was the star football player, who led his team to win the state championship. Now ten years later he's the manager of his family's bar, Haymakers, but the residents of rural Old Town still talk about his glory days in high school.

Harley Davis was always the girl-next-door...literally. Her family was neighbors with the Wilde family and the Wilde boys treated her like the little sister they never had. But Harley spent her adolescence dreaming that she'd one day be Jake Wilde's girl.

She never anticipated that she'd be one of the many girls Jake sleeps with. It breaks Harley's heart a little bit more every time Jake hooks up with someone other than her, which happens on a regular basis.

How much longer will Harley believe that having even a small piece of Jake is better than having no Jake at all?

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## Tina Lee Harris says

4.5 stars

This was the perfect ending to this series. I have to say that I have completely enjoyed all of these books. I am looking forward to the spin off series that Ms. Young will be doing with the side characters that have made appearances throughout this series.

Jake Wilde is just that wild and has no plans to settle down to just one woman. Why should he when he can have his cake and eat it too. He is co-owner along with his 3 brothers of Haymakers, country bar in small town Old Towne. He lives life as though there is no tomorrow. He goes with the flow, which includes any pretty little things with a skirt on that walks into the bar. Of course he can have Harley Davis anytime. But there is something more than just a casual bump in the backroom with her. She is the only girl that has stayed the night at Jake's house. He is just too stubborn to realize that sometimes if you wait too long, what was in front of you will fade away.

Harley Davis grew up with the Wilde brothers but gave her heart completely to the oldest of them, Jake, a long time ago. When she really had no idea what love really meant. All she knew was that one day Jake would realize that he loved her too. But after waiting for that day to come for years and watching countless women leave with Jake, Harley must decide if it is really worth it? Is this really what true love is?

As Harley must come to terms with Jake never loving her, she finds a friend in another man. When Jake sees Harley with another, something inside his chest twists. What is that? Love? Jealous? Belonging? Possessiveness? Will Jake realize before it is too late? Will Harley find true love in the arms of another man?

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## Cheesecake says

Haley the martyr and Jake the 'well used'

The story switches POVs throughout between Haley and Jake.

I enjoyed this one more than the first. Not that it was better, but more balanced and there was more to the plot. I would've put Jake in my unforgivable-asshats shelf, but it was like he squirms out of it by being not that bright. He had his reasons for keeping Harley in that abusive limbo of somewhere between a booty call and a girlfriend. It's just that his reasons were lame and really immature.

Harley is more often than not, a doormat, in that she puts up with this just to be near him. There are some great smash downs by her, but then she becomes a doormat again. But the timeline is about a year and I guess I could see someone her age putting up with that for that amount of time, for 'true love'. But I didn't really see why she loved him. He gave no evidence of being more than a thoughtless manwhore (although for reasons you will see), and someone who will most likely spend his midlife crisis crying in his beers reminiscing about how awesome high school was. Take away his bedroom reputation and there really wasn't anything left that wasn't past history. He runs a bar, but you don't get the feel that he connects with the customers except for the ones he plans to bed. He doesn't interact with his brothers in any meaningful way. I

would've really like to hear him tell Harley some of the things he had noticed about her over the years. Things that set her apart from ALL the OWs. She caves too easily and I wish she had made him work harder to get back in her bed. Maybe made him take a VD test!. It needed more little tender moments that make the reader go 'aawwwwe'. This is a lot of griping on my part, as I did actually enjoy it and have gone back to re-read the second half.

The brothers take turns putting him down and having no sympathy for the deep lonely hole he's dug himself, but it's a small town. Why weren't there other people in Haley's corner?

looking back on this story, the thing that sticks in my craw is that Regina (view spoiler)

The Epilogue was a let down. A Blah blah blah emotionless description of the 4 weddings from Haley's POV. Would have been a really good opportunity to make Jake grovel some more.

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## **books are love says**

Like the other Wilde brothers and their books on love this one doesn't disappoint. Here we get two POV. We finally see Jake and see what he is thinking and feeling. We get to see the real Jake. After all the antics in the three books before and this one where he is a douchecanoe we finally get to see why. What his reasoning is. I actually felt sad and proud of him. I know feeling proud of a man who was treating someone like he treated Harley but I did. His reasoning was so honorable they make you love him and how he feels about himself just has you want to hug him and never let go until he sees his own self worth. Jake truly does love Harley and all his actions are for her. Albeit these actions sometimes make your stomach want to hurl they are for a good reason. Sad but true and Savannah Young finally lets us in on those reasons and the real Jake Wilde. And what a difference that makes for us the readers. I am not too fond of all his actions but after reading why you begin to slightly understand more. Harley doesn't always make you smile either. Her actions with Max are a little suspect and immature. Again understandable but immature. Jake's grand gesture and his wooing will definitely have you swoon. Seriously swoon for this is when he lets his hair and tough exterior down and really shows us who he is and who he loves. A fun ending to the wild ride that was the Wilde brothers and how they found love. Each one learned something about themselves and their brothers along the way and each showed you who they really were under the facade they put out. This book was nicely written and wrapped up the series nicely with a beautiful ending for the reader and the brothers. I hope though that we at least get to see these characters in the next series from Olde Town so we can keep up with those we fell in love with and watch new characters give us new adventures.

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## **Anja ~ Once Upon a Page ?? Books and Tequila says**

### **4 Loving, Redeeming Stars**

"Wilde Times" was the last book in the 'Old Town Country Romance' Series. Having read the first three novels in this Series I knew I liked Young's writing and I was curious about the last Wilde brother and whether or not he and Harley could redeem themselves for their sometimes awful behavior, towards one another and their friends.

From the first three novels, it was obvious that Jake's and Harley's relationship was very different to the one's Jake's brother have. He wasn't looking for a committed relationship or a future, especially with Harley. I couldn't wait to read about his reasoning and learn the reasons why he was unable to commit to Harley. And after finally reading this novel, it all makes sense! Even though his reasoning as to why he was pushing Harley away was completely ridiculous and backwards to me, I was able to understand his side of the story and it came from a good, albeit misplaced, place. I ended up actually liking him a lot and I was rooting for him to win Harley back after he screws it all up.

And Harley, such a sweetheart and sensitive soul underneath that entire hardcore, badass bitch she wants the world to see. Throughout the previous stories, Harley was very hard to read; I was unsure whether or not she actually was a good and nice person or if her moments of displayed friendliness were only a fluke. Turns out Harley actually has a heart and cares; she just doesn't like to show it or others to know it. I was happy that she put her foot down, drew a line and when Jake stepped over it, or better blew it to smithereens; she followed through with the consequences she threatened him with. Harley being a doormat in that situation would not have worked!

The only reason this is not a 5 Star read for me is that I felt the ending was a little rushed and I would have loved to see the author go into more detail; make Jake grovel some more. I still enjoyed this short story immensely and I am extremely happy to find that Jake was able to redeem himself in my eyes.

This was a wonderful conclusion to a great series and I cannot wait what Miss Young will come up with next, but I'm going to miss these lovely, sexy cowboys and their strong, amazing women.

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## Wendy's Thoughts says

4 Frustrating, Hot and Finally Oh So Right Stars \* \* \* \*

What is it about people who always think they know best...They do things to turn the "love of their lives" away while wishing they were good enough for them... Forget the other person has made it clear as day... they want to be with them... Nope... the one doing the turning away ALWAYS thinks they know best...

This is a tried and true storyline and in this final part of Savannah Young's series... it makes us a little crazed...but in the end, works.

There is the family bar; family of men who have met all of their women and given them "songs". There is the one true love who has always felt a part of this family, forgoing college and working this bar from the beginning. She has lived next door to the object of her affection and this studly man has made a habit of connecting with her in all sorts of ways.... and then purposely pushing her away by flaunting his one night stands.

We are clued in with both characters feeling... and frustrations... when will he man up and either push her to her brink... and let her go for good... or when will she finally decide- done.

Ms. Young has given us charming, sexy men over this series... and we have enjoyed seeing them find their true loves... This took a few challenges to make everything fall into place... but when it did, we benefited.

If you love a man who need to have some sense knocked into him ... so he can see what is in front of his face... and love when all of that happens so deliciously, then please get ready for some Wilde Times.

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#### **Margaret says**

I know every person wants to believe that he or she is a special snowflake, but we're really all just part of a gigantic human slush pile. When you love someone they're supposed to elevate you from the slush for a while, and at least to that one person you're special. - Harley Davis

Just like the previous book in this series, this was a quick, fun read that I devoured in one sitting. But unlike the last book where I smiled throughout and confirmed my belief in happy ever afters, this book really had me doubting that a HEA was in sight.

Although I found myself many times wanting to smack Jake and give Harley a good shake, I still really loved both of these characters. Even though it felt so wrong for Harley to settle for the small piece of Jake that she had, it was clear just how deep her feelings for him ran. And even though Jake spent most of the book doing things that seemed unredeemable in my eyes, he somehow worked his way under my skin and earned a bit of forgiveness. When circumstances lead these two down a path that neither of them may recover from, it was fun to watch things unfold and see these two finally be honest with each other. Harley was a character that I have loved since the last book, so it was great to get in to her head and see why she has made some of the decisions she has.

It was great getting an update on the rest of the Wilde brothers and their women. I love the diversity found in each of the Wilde brothers and how they interact with one another. All of the women are strong and keep their men in line, and also look out for each other, which adds another great dynamic to these stories.

Overall this was a great read with a lot of angst and many "boy do I want to smack him aside the head moments". I love these small town, family based romances that can really touch your heart!

I received this book from the author for an honest review.

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#### **Kathleen says**

Welcome back to rural Old Town, NJ, home of loud trucks, cold beer, country music, and the hot Wilde brothers!

In each book of the Old Town Country Romance series, Author Savannah Young weaves an entertaining

romantic tale that tells the story of each of the four Wilde brothers: Cooper, Jake, Tucker, and Hunter.

In *Wilde Times*, Author Savannah Young once again calls upon her NJ roots as the reader is transported back to the small rural town of Old Town, NJ, where this time the fourth and final book in the series focus is on Jake, the oldest Wilde brother and Harley's story. Told in the first person narrative, the reader follows Jake and Harley as their passionate romance unfolds like a classic country song.

Jake Wilde is your classic small town country boy, he was the most popular guy and star quarterback in high school, now ten years later he is the manager of Haymakers, the Wilde family owned bar. He's popular with the ladies, a player, man-whore, and only interested in one-night stands ... except deep down he's really in love with girl-next-door Harley Davis, but he thinks she could better than with him.

Harley Davis is the Wilde brothers girl-next-door neighbor. She has been in love with Jake since she was a kid, and even though she was a straight A student in high school and could have her pick of attending several Ivy League colleges, she chose to stay in Old Town and waitress at Haymakers so she could be close to Jake. Harley has a hard-as-nails and sassy image, she shows no outward emotions, even when she is falling apart inside. Harley and Jake have been hooking up for the last year, he was her first and only guy, and seeing him with other girls tears her apart, but having a piece of Jake is better than not having him at all, and she secretly hopes that one day he'll fall in love with her.

When Jake takes his player activity one step too far with Harley's arch nemesis, Regina Masters, in an effort to make Harley move on with her life, life in Old Town gets turned upside down and emotions run deep ... but can Jake and Harley find each other before it's too late?

I absolutely loved reading Jake and Harley's passionate romantic story. You can't help but get drawn into their lives, and embrace the beauty of how their complicated relationship develops from a friends-with-benefits to an undeniable love that was there all along. With drama, humor, and romance, Jake and Harley's connection is electric, but can they open their eyes and have a future together?

Jake and Harley's story is about two people who learn to let go of their doubts, insecurities, and fears in order to find the courage to open up their hearts to love. Not only are Jake and Harley perfect for each other, they simply complete each other! While I did love each of the Wilde brothers' stories, I have to admit that Jake and Harley's story was my favorite, and I loved how the author concludes the series, it is simply swoon worthy!

I would be remiss if I didn't mention that the story picks up where book three ended and it easily continues in a smooth flow. The brotherly bond, support, and antics of the other three charming Wilde brothers and their girlfriends, is once again interwoven in the storyline like it was in the other books in the series. Even though this is the fourth and final book in the series, it can be a stand alone read as the author does interweave the other Wilde brothers' backstories within this storyline. But do yourself a favor and read the books in sequential order so that you can fully appreciate each of the sexy Wilde brothers individual stories, you won't be disappointed!

*Wilde Times* is an emotional and romantic tale that has a fun cast of characters, witty and humorous banter, drama, and a sweet and spicy romance set to a country theme.

Disclaimer: I received a copy of the book from the author / publisher in exchange for my honest review and participation in a virtual book review event hosted by Reading Addiction Virtual Book Tours.

## **Rob.C. Rob.C. says**

This is exactly the book I was hoping for Jake's story. In the previous books he appeared to be a rather shallow man, the one who didn't think twice about seducing women and forgetting about them the moment they walked out the door. Definitely not my cup of tea! From book one, my favorite Wilde brother has always been Cooper, the serious, Wall Street hotshot who showered his fiancée with love and attention, something Jake would never be able to do.

I was really curious to find out if the author would find a way for Jake to redeem himself in my eyes and I have to say, she succeeded! I thought I'd never get to like Jake in the least, but with this trip inside his mind, I finally understood his actions, even though I didn't like them or approve them.

I loved seeing the part of Jake that nobody gets to see, because he hides is very well behind a love'em and leave'em attitude.

As for Harley, she too turns out to be a totally different character than the one I'd come to learn in the three previous books. She was always a little nasty with the heroines in the other books, but in this one, we get to see that she's not as bad as she seemed. She's actually sweet underneath the skimpy clothes, and I warmed a lot to her.

I obviously didn't like the ways Jake tried to break her heart. His actions drove me nuts and I wished I could slap him, but once he stopped acting like an idiot he definitely redeemed himself and his actions made me like him a little more than I did in the first three books.

Since this is Jake's book (the epitome of womanizer) it's obviously not a clean romance; there are sex scenes and some language, but it's less steamy than I thought, which helped me enjoy the story more than it would, had there been too many graphic scenes.

Out of the four books in the series, this is my second favorite, after book one. If you have read the previous books in the series, you have to read this one too (also because there's a surprise in store for Gracie and Tucker which you don't want to miss).

If you haven't read the previous books, you can still enjoy this one.

\*\*\*I received a complimentary copy in exchange for an honest review\*\*\*

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## **Jonel Boyko says**

This was a very captivating and enjoyable novel. Young takes us back to Old Town and Haymakers for one exciting and emotionally provocative tale. Her vivid descriptions and down to earth storytelling transported me to Jersey alongside the characters.

Young's writing style makes you feel like you're sitting beside the characters listening to the story instead of reading it. This up close and personal approach really drew me in until I couldn't put the book down. I really, really enjoyed getting to know Harley better. We've met her throughout the series but getting up close and personal with her makes it so much more real. I feel like I understand Harley now. Seeing what she thinks and learning her history makes her more real, rather than just the catty girl we've come to know. Getting a glimpse into Jake's mind is also quite revealing. I may think his rationale is completely skewed but I understand (and like) him so much better now. The contrast between the way the two main characters see themselves as compared to how they see each other definitely adds to the story.

As a whole, this was a fantastic novel that wrapped up this series nicely. I'm definitely sad to have hit the end of the Wilde brothers' saga, but it was a fantastic journey while it lasted.

Please note that I received a complimentary copy of this work in exchange for an honest review.

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### **Loredana says**

Oh, these Wilde boys. If you've never read the series, you should. This is the fourth novel where we get to better understand the eldest of the Wilde brothers, consummate player Jake Wilde. While the book is a standalone, I decided I wanted to start from the beginning. It probably gave me a different perspective going into this book since we meet each of the brothers in each book. Seriously, I was not a fan of Jake and didn't think he was worth any time Harley devoted to him. I was pretty irritated at her for wanting him when we all knew that he was just after a 15-minute panty interlude! But, you can't judge this book just by his cover (well, he's sexy, but he's more than just that!!) Luckily, we get to see the other amazing Wilde men and their women as they help these two lost souls figure themselves and each other out (READ: There may be some well-deserved verbal smacking around...don't worry, you'll enjoy it!)

While the book is certainly a light and easy read, we definitely get to know Jake and Harley a whole lot better. In the first few books, we only get to know her sarcastic wit and penchant for supremely tight clothes. In this story, we get to scratch the surface some more and learn there's a whole lot more to Harley. Dare we say, she is hiding a big heart and even bigger brain under that corset and makeup?!

And Jake. Oh, sweet, misguided, man-whoring Jake. Though he's the oldest, he's certainly stuck in the glory days of high school and all of the tail he can get. No one has ever had his heart except for a certain someone, but he knows she deserves better. So, in all of his misguided intentions, he allows himself to think with the wrong head to push her towards what he thinks she needs...and away from what she truly wants.

If you're looking for a well-written, but light read, I encourage you to get to know all of the Wilde Men and the women to whom they give their hearts.

4 stars to Young (a super shiny one for each of the Wilde brothers!)

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### **Gloria Herrera for As You Wish Reviews says**

Jake Wilde, manager of Haymakers, and the last of the Wilde brothers holding out for true love. In the previous books of this series Jake was always depicted as the man-whore. The other brothers have been on his case for a while now. Why can't he settle down? His dalliances in the back room of their bar are famous. They can't keep bar waitresses for long because of Jake's one night stands with them.

Only one waitress has remained loyal - Harley. She is not your usual waitress. Yes she is a beautiful blonde statuesque woman...although very young she has a sense of self and maturity not usually found at her age. Harley has had a crush on Jake for years. Rather than go to college, she gave up full scholarships to Ivy league colleges to stay close to Jake, much to the disappointment of her parents. No matter, Harley has made up her mind to stay by Jake in hopes for more.

Jake and Harley started a hook-up relationship a year ago with no exclusivity on his part. Little did he know that he was Harley's first and only intimate relationship. Once he finds out it throws him for a spin and retrospection of the worth of his life and his future.

I am a fan of this series. Every brother has had a very unique and interesting story. Jake's story is no different. He is the brother who stayed behind and helped his parents run the bar. He didn't go to war, he didn't go to college. His expectations were set by his father from a young age. Being the eldest, he was expected to follow in his father's footsteps. What kind of turmoil did these expectations bring to Jake? From being the most popular quarterback in high school, championship winner, and hot country music singer, he moved right in to running the bar. His dreams of being a world famous country music star left behind.

Loved this story of self worth and dreams unfulfilled. Makes you think about the choices we make and about grabbing the opportunities for true love and fulfillment.

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## **DawnMarie Carpintero says**

5 Weird, Crazy Stars

This book was given to me for my honest review

Growing up as a young child we all remember the infamous ping pong table. We could watch the older generation of our family members play this game for hours on end talking about everything and anything their hearts desired. What happens though when the reality hits and the talking stops does the little ball continue to be passed back and forth or do we just quit the game entirely and move on to the next?

Jake-hunky bar owner

Harley-sweet, pretty and stubborn

Haymakers- family bar

Jake is the man whose that can and does have any woman with one blink of his hot eyes. Though he longs for more with a woman that has always will always have his heart. This woman does not know nor has any inclination of what he feels. She knows him to be the player and only of that but what happens when he reveals where his heart has always truly been? Will he be able to take that step and give her more or will he keep the distance knowing that he believes she truly deserves more than him?

Harley is a drop dead pretty girl and has always longed to be with the boy next door. She has given her heart to him without him knowing of it. Will she be able to continue giving her heart to him knowing that he wants her to be more than she can be? Can she take the leap and leave or will her heart take the leap and open up without her knowing to him? Will Harley find her forever heart with the boy next door?

Jake and Harley have heat when they are together. The sex is hot and gets only hotter but is that all that they are meant to be? A simple couple without expectations of one another but what happens when push comes to shove and Jake wants Harley to be more than a waitress in this family bar called Haymakers? Will he be able to complete the push and let her go? Will Harley be able to finally let Jake know that the love that she has always have had for him or will she walk away? Will this couple make it even with hurdles that they both

seem to put in place find their forever in one another?

To the author: This was one amazing read. I loved the way that you have thrown hurdles into the mix but at the same time you made each character individual within themselves. I hope your readers enjoy this read as much as I have.

To the readers: Enjoy and get enthralled in this amazing read.

Happy Reading

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## **Paula Phillips says**

This is one series where I have read Book #1 and now #4 , I didn't mean too but it's just happened that way but after seeing that Book #4 was as good as the first one, it has now made me want to read the rest of the series and get to know the middle two brother's stories about how they met their loved ones. In Book #4 we read as Cooper and Riley's wedding is coming up fast - this was the story I read in Book #1 and we learn that one of Cooper's brother's is dating a movie star and that Tucker is expecting a baby with his fiancée Gracie. All this leaves one more brother - the oldest of the Wilde Boys and Jake is definitely a Wilde one , he is the type of guy who owns a bar and sleeps with a different girl every night and of course has on the side Harley - she is Jake's go-to girl and Number #1. Harley has only loved one person ever since she was younger and that is Jake- despite her outward appearance , she has only ever been with Jake. Harley as never asked for more as she takes Jake as he is, but when wedding bells start ringing all around her - it makes her take a step back and look at her life with Jake. Can she make him commit or has everyone been right with saying that she is wasting her time with him ? I have to admit that Wilde Times was one of my favourite contemporary romances as the situation is some aspects and in Jake's personality resonated to my reality and some of the thoughts that run through Harley's mind in this book , I have been in the same situation especially when Jake sleeps with the one person Harley has warned him never to go near. Will Harley take Jake back when he finally realises that she is the one for him or will it be too late to turn back the clock ?

If you love Country Boys and Romance, then Wilde Times and the Old Town Country Romance Series is the books for you.

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## **Becky says**

I felt like I knew the outcome of this before it even began. We have been watching Jake and Harley flirt and go to the back room for 3 books now. They are hot and heavy for each other, each one of them having their own little quirks that would make them push the other away. We knew that these 2 were going to end up together, it was just a matter of when that was the question.

I loved that we got to know more about Harley as the book went on. First off, we didn't know that her parents were big bikers and owned a Harley shop in town (we could have put the pieces together, but I can be a big

slow at times). We also learn that Harley is sorta a genius. She got accepted into Harvard and had scholarships to every other school that she applied for. Only thing is, she wants Jake Wilde, and is willing to put everything else on hold and be a waitress in his bar waiting for him to realize that he is in love with her. What she doesn't know is that Jake does love her, just doesn't want to hold her back. I wondered why Jake was a man-whore, but we now know why (want to know- read the book).

I love this series and how easy it was for me to fall in love with all of the Wilde me. This is a very easy book to read and at the end you let out that sigh of relief that they are all happy and loved.

The problem I have is that I REALLY wish that I didn't feel that the book was rushed. I think that Harley and Jake deserved the same amount of attention that the other brothers had. In the end, I would have liked a novella with the weddings. We love the characters and want to witness and enjoy their Happily Ever After with them.

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### **Fiona says**

2.5/3 stars

I just couldn't get over the fact that Jake was such a manwhore even more so while he was sleeping with Harley. So he goes out of his way to push Harley away because he didn't think he deserved her or that that she should be stuck working as a waitress in a small town if he continues to sleep with her. Jakes goes out of his way to pick up women & rub it in Harley's face in the hopes she would finally give up on him. The last straw was when he broke a promise he made Harley to ensure he drives her away. From Jakes POV he loves Harley, he just doesn't want to be the reason she's stuck in a small town. Never mind that he didn't think to talk to her about his doubts or even listened when she kept telling him she's happy to stay in Old town - he just went ahead with his plan to push her away....by sleeping with other women as well as Harley. So he finally succeeds in driving her away only to regret it & realise he really loves her. He makes some BS grand gesture to get her back, he does so with minimal effort - I wanted an epic grovelling scene(s)!!! It also threw me a bit when Jake would describe & drool over other women he picks up when he's constantly telling us no other woman could compare to Harley & that he loves her. He wasn't technically cheating on Harley as she was aware they weren't in a committed relationship but the open relationship they had didn't work for me. Resolution was too simple with an abrupt ending. This is a standalone in a series, I liked the writing style enough I may just pick up Tucker and Gracie's book.

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