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(Warning: Not a standalone. This is a series. There are cliffhangers.)

Neil “Ax” Barron walked away from the Black Thorns MC two years ago. Now he’s back as Vice President for one reason: to take out the President of ruthless rival club, the Devil’s Mavericks. A sadistic, soulless man who is also his father. Ax has his orders to carry out his mission covertly so Black Thorns isn’t thrust into open war. But when he meets his contact—a ball-busting, smart-mouthed woman—he quickly realizes he’s got his work cut out for him.

Roxana James hates bikers and a relationship is the last thing she wants. Settling down is her worst nightmare. No man will tame her! She’s content on her own and she’s done well for herself. Until a rough, dirty-talking biker turns her world upside down. He challenges everything she’s ever known.

Together they break down one another’s walls. Two opposites really do attract. The fiery connection between them quickly evolves into much more, despite resistance from them both.

But with so many forces aligned against them and Rox determined not to become part of Ax’s club life, is there really a place for their love? Or will the sacrifices needed for them to be together, come at too high a price?

## **Reckless Details**

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# **From Reader Review Reckless for online ebook**

## **Lindsay says**

I loved it! I need more!!

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## **Janee says**

### **Unusual**

The cover is unusual. I think that's what made me look at this book.

It's starts off really quick, no build up. Rox and Ax story is an insta romance, but it also packs a lot drama.

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## **Jennifer Pierson says**

WHAT. THE. HELL. Franca Storm?! What have I ever done to you? Congrats, you are the newest member on the list of authors trying to kill me! That ending.....there are no words.

Neil "Ax" Barron is now the VP of the Black Thorns MC. He walked away 2 years ago, and the only reason he's back is to take out the President of the ruthless Devil's Mavericks MC. That violent, underhanded, extremely cruel man is his father. Ax is flying under the radar to complete his mission without starting an all out war between the two clubs. When he meets his contact, a ball busting, smart mouthed woman, he realizes it's not going to be as easy as he hoped. Roxana James hates bikers, and relationships. She will not settle down, because she doesn't want her control taken away. On her own, she's done very well for herself. All of that changes when she meets Ax, a dirty talking, extremely sexy biker that she has an instant connection with. Will Roxana let down her walls enough to trust Ax, so he can keep her safe?

I finished this book hours ago, and I'm still very pissed at the author. It's taking everything in me not to call her bad names after that ending. The truth of the matter is, I wouldn't be so mad if Reckless weren't such a brilliant story that hooked me from the beginning, and held me hostage to the very end. I do believe I dropped the f-bomb loudly more than once at the cliffhanger. Character development is perfect, with main and secondaries that I found myself fully invested in early on. The very smooth flowing storyline is well written, exciting, and full of suspense. Franca Storm's writing style is diabolical with all of her twists and turns that had my heart racing long after I finished the story. Flammable chemistry led to hot flash worthy EXPLOSIVE sexy scenes, and the journey to love is heart-wrenching. I CANNOT WAIT for the next book, so do yourself a solid and read this FANTASTIC book!

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## **Rosa Sharon (iScream Books Blog) says**

**The ultimate ball-buster...**

The author got my attention immediately by throwing me right into the middle of the explosive chemistry between Ax & Rox. They were both badasses, and both determined to be in control of the situation that brought them together. Neither of them would give an inch. Well, let me rephrase that. What he offered was closer to a foot (wink-wink).

Ax was bitter. He had been burned and he had a score to settle. As the VP of the Black Thorn MC, he was used to following orders, even when said orders were not what he would have chosen if given a choice. Being a big man, with impressive enforcer skills, it took a lot for him to stand down. Now that he was back with his club, after being gone for several years, it was not easy to accept its current condition. He had to make a choice, and then had to be able live with that decision and any consequences that resulted. It was an easy choice for him...until her.

Rox is beyond badass. She's tiny, but with huge balls. She is most definitely a force to be reckoned with. When she meets Ax, and his filthy mouth, she is tempted to give up control for the first time. ***But only in the bedroom.***

Ax has never wanted more than one night...until her. He can't get enough of her ball-busting attitude, it turns him on. He doesn't want to tame her or change her, he just wants her. But what he wants, and what's best for her and his club, might not be the same thing. When he's forced to choose, what will it cost him? He knows that she wants no part of club life. She's not ol' lady material. Being with him would put her in danger. When the shit hits the fan, and it's time to decide, what will it be? His club or his woman? His heart or his peace of mind? His revenge or her safety? His secrets or the truth? Just existing or really living? If he chooses one, will he lose the other?

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## **Melissa Mendoza says**

"I feel her arms around me all of a sudden. They snake around my waist, holding me tight. She rests her head on my back. Her touch starts to calm me, shocking me."

4 Reckless stars!!! I loved this book, what a great start to the series!! I was already a fan for Franca Storm and now after reading this book, I can understand why!!

Ax is the VP of the Black Thorns MC, he's dark, bitter and dangerous. He's just returned back to his club after being gone for several years. Rox is a bad@ss and she's not afraid to let everyone know! Did I mention she's a control freak?? That all changes when she meets Ax. He never spends more than one night with a woman, but the minute he meets Rox, he knows he's met his match. The problem?? She wants nothing to do with the club.....so that means Ax is forced to choose.....his lady or the club?? Confused and unsure what will he pick??

This book was beyond amazing!! I fell into this book and didn't come out for a breath until the end!! This was a great start to the series and I'm in love!!! I can't wait to see what happens next!!

**\*\*Received a copy in exchange for an honest review. Read and reviewed by Melissa for Alpha Book Club\*\***

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## **Anya says**

Is that George Michael on the cover!? O\_O

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## **Sinead6uk says**

ohhhhh I was so sad to finish this book! I need more! :o(

Really enjoyed this, I was gripped from the start and was shouting at my kindle by the end of it.

brilliant storyline and a refreshingly kick-ass heroine! she is awesome!

I don't want to give away the ending but needless to say I will be stalking Franca's page for news of the next book! some more Ax please....maybe with some Smiler chucked in too?! :o)

Highly recommended! this is a five star biker book for me!

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## **Linda says**

I loved this book, the characters were believable and the plot kept me turning page after page.

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## **Jelena Bosh says**

Being someone who reads MC based books like I drink coffee (which if you know me, saying I'm a coffee addict would be an understatement), I have come to figure out what I love so much about them and what I don't when it comes to those that don't do it for me. RECKLESS? This book has gone far beyond what I expected. I knew of Franca Storm's writing and I know that she is an amazing writer so it goes without saying that I'd delve into her MC book faster than I would if I saw a tattooed biker walking across the street.. yeah.. what a visual right?? Uhm ok. Mind out of the gutter!! Mind OUT OF the gutter.. ;)

I absolutely adored this story from beginning to end!

There is just something so addictive about a couple that isn't the typical sweetheart this and honey that. Don't get me wrong, I love my contemporaries and all things sweet and innocent romance but I can't say that my love for bad boys and dirty mouthed alpha's isn't twice as strong. Say what you want but I couldn't help falling for Ax and his perfect example of why girls like me, love guys like him. Well, I mean, he is fictional but a girl can dream right?

Ax and Rox have that banter type relationship going on from the very beginning. And yes this might be one of those stories that the girl isn't looking for a relationship and the man WANTS to claim her.. BUT it's much more than that. It's so soulful, heartbreaking, romantic and unique..

Franca Storm really knows how to write a badass story!!

Ridden on revenge, Ax comes back as the Vice President of his former MC with the sole purpose of removing the President of the Devil's Mavericks MC.. With that in mind, he wasn't prepared for her, the girl that he will and does do EVERYTHING and ANYTHING in his power to possess as his. The catch though? Roxana does want that.. or at least that's what she keeps telling herself.. UNTIL he challenges her every move and thought!

From there on out, there is a very strong developing story that builds up in pushing the boundaries when it comes to the relationship that forms between the two. Though, it's not always just about them. With Ax trying to take down the rival's club President and with Rox going through with her own very problems;

Limits are tested.

Love is put on the line.

Trust is stretched.

Fear is increased.

AND heartbreak is thrown on the table..

One thing is for sure, Rox is Ax's and he won't let anything change that. Can that be enough though? Is love and attraction stronger than revenge, anger and betrayal??

RECKLESS has been an emotionally sexy journey which I would gladly take again and again! I just can't get enough of every element in Franca Storm's creation. Now, patience will be tested upon waiting for book 2...

Thank you so much Franca Storm for providing an ARC of a story that touched more than my heart and mind. It touched even the dustiest and messed up corners of my soul, and that alone, I consider to be something to keep me coming back for more of your work. So thank you, from one MC addict to a creator of it :)

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## Amy says

Reckless (Black Thorns #1)  
Franca Storm  
5 black stars

Franca! What the junk? Are you trying to kill me with a slow torturous death? HOLY HELL!

This series is going to be fantastic. The characters are absolutely breathtaking in a bad ass dear lord please don't save me way. Let them take me ... seriously DO NOT COME FOR ME.

In the first release, Reckless, Franca is laying the ground work while giving us a tornadic story. Yes, tornadic

.... It's a freaking storm barreling never saw it coming rain hell down on you road throughout the pages.

Roxana James or RJ runs Brockford. She offers protection from anything and everything in exchange for payoff and favors. She is one of the good ones. The Devil's Mavericks are zeroing in on her territory shaking things up. The most recent, the diner she helped Sarah start, bringing that girl out of being lost into the light. While assuring her friend that the shit that just went down won't stick and she will handle it, a brute of a man interrupts their conversation. From the patches on his leather she knows the three piece patch and the city name on the bottom of the rocker; Reirdon Falls and none other than the Black Thorns MC. The V. President signifier isn't lost on her either. Question is, why in the hell is this man here and what the hell does he want? No one comes into her city, especially biker shit bags. WHAT?!?! ... All I could think about was .. damn why.... you are one freaking hard ass woman ... but ... LOL! Cause what do I know then the story would end ... NOT good for writing.

The man standing in front of Rox is none other than Ax (Neil) Barron. Ax walked away from the club two years ago. However Ax has no idea the identity of his contact nor does Rox. She has never seen the likes of this guy before. Where does he fit in? Ax didn't like the filth that ran through the ranks of the club; wasn't something he wanted to be involved in. He was nothing like either of the men running the Devil's Mavericks or the Black Thorns. He wanted out; he didn't run he just left; but in the MC that wasn't allowed; he paid his price for it too. The scars he bears are a reminder. But now, ... now he's back as Vice President of the Black Thorns. Trig has pulled him back in and for one reason only; to take out the President of rival club. The president is a sadistic man; a man who likes to play with his prey before he kills them. Ax knows all too well what he is capable of along with a few of his brothers. Trig has sent him to meet his contact to help him take out Skinner. Needless to say he didn't know his contact was a smart mouthed, hard ass woman. RJ, he assumed was a man. And now ... shit hits the fan ... ten fold.

There is a brilliant story on these pages ladies. The secondary characters are absolutely amazing as well. Ralph Taylor is Rox's best friend and is one hell of a guy. I hope we get more of him soon. Daz "Smutter" Forbes is the clubs Sergeant at Arms (swoon), Marcus "Broker" Anders is NOT swoon but he is a key player in this mess along with Bulldozer whom both ride with the Mavs, Cal "Dealer" Austin is someone you will cock your head at when his name comes up, Zeb "Runner" Wilkes is the Black Thorns Road Captain and closest to Ax after Broker's betrayal, and Grit. RJ is very familiar with Grit after she put him in ICU when he tried to raise a hand to her in a very unfortunate situation and then Trig, the current Prez of the Black Thorns.

I felt like I knew these characters inside and out or at least from the information I was privileged to. Women don't know all club business ya know? (HA!) There are so many stories to be told yet and Im waiting with baited anticipation for each one. I could not get enough and read almost all night long to get to the bottom of this. The entire time I was yelling on the inside to Franca "don't you dare do it ... don't you dare ... " Yeah, its that bad ... the cliffhanger.

Right now Im so pissed at her I cant see straight. (Thats a good thing -- getting this much emotion from a reader -- exactly what you want) Im telling you its freaking torture. Thank frick I have the second book on my Kindle. I shut it down long enough to write this and get my emotions down on the review and am going back in to book two now. All I can say .. Franca this better end well or ..... well I don't know what "or" is but it better. LMAO!

Ladies go click this one up because you have book two ready to go. Reckless was released in May of this year. Book Two; Soulless was released in July of this year. Due to release in January of 2016 – Zeb Runner Wilkes story. Boom ladies. Get them now! Reckless is free if you are a Kindle Unlimited subscriber! ---

Thank you Franca for gifting me these books. Review will appear on Ramblings From Beneath The Sheets. Read them both in order to catch up for the release of Blameless in January! Review to post for Soulless later on tonight. Im digging in now!

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### **Wangari says**

i didn't like Rox which sort of spoilt my whole enjoyment of this...

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### **HeatherTX says**

?? = just an ok read for me. I have the rest of the series and plan to read them eventually...just not in any hurry to do so.

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### **Judy says**

Cliff hanger.....I really wish the author had included a warning in the book description that this book is a cliff hanger. It was a good story and I enjoyed reading it but was dismayed when I got to the end and there is no HEA or even happy for now. There's nothing to tell the reader when the next book in the series is coming, nothing to say how many books before there is a definite ending. If the book description had included the warning about this being an installment series I would have waited until all of the books were out. I am one of those readers that absolutely hate buying a book and finding out it's part of the story and I have to wait months to buy the rest of the story.

Please go back and update your book description to include full disclosure on whether it's a full stand alone or dependent on other books coming out to finish the story. I really wanted to rate the story higher but I'm too disappointed about the unknown cliffhanger. As many books as I read, by the time book 2 comes out (?) I would probably have to go back and review book 1 but I'm not going to do it. Won't be buying book 2 of ? to get one story.

Edited:

Due to some serious fan girl attacks I have deleted one sentence from this review that contained the cliff hanging ending. I also went back and found an example of where an author correctly warns the reader that it is an installment or cliff hanger ending. That author says in the book description:

Book one of a two part story. There are many other authors who give the reader advance warning so they can make an informed decision whether to wait until all books are out or go forward reading the installment.

Due to the disrespectful and insulting remarks by the fan girls I will not read any other books by this author.

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### **Tash says**

Reviewed @ Confessions From Romaholics

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In my hunt to find new MC romances, I came across this stunning cover and decided to take a chance on this book after reading this blurb. As whilst the blurb promised me a biker that I could love tattoos and more .



There was more the story of these two and that what kept me turning the page knowing this was only the beginning of their story. Reckless is the first in a two book series about two individuals who past ties them together unknowingly and they are thrown into a situation where the only thing that is keeping them sane is each other. Explosive chemistry between the two of them, from the moment they meet. Ax and Rox are meant for each other. A biker who is on road of vengeance and a woman who is determined to stay away from bikers and run her life on her terms.

Rox isn't a woman to be mess with. She a protection racketeer who has a heart and is determined to keep her life bike heaven free despite her jo means that she comes to contact with them. She may be tiny but this woman isn't one to be messed with . A dynamic package, this woman doesn't know what is about to hit her when she is challenged like no other way she has been before when her terms are called into question and she gets caught up with a biker who won't say no

Terms which are about to be chunked out of her life thanks to this broody biker name Ax who wants this ballsy woman. . Despite neither of them wanted to know each other when they first hooked but they were stuck together because Ax need her help and he was determined to succeed. As he wants one thing. He was bitter and hard ass about it as he had be through hell and back.

Now in a position where he can do something as VP of Black Thorn MC, he was ready to follow the order he was given. He is a enforcer who has never flinched with his duty until now, he may not always been part of the club but he never strayed away.

Until he forced into a between a rock and hard place with her.....

Reckless is about those moments, throwing caution to the wind and going for the things that could change you life either way. Ax is a career MC man and Rox is a woman who wants a life on her terms. Each has the best interests of themselves at heart and obviously they are going to butt heads. I like how the author set up this series. Yes it ends on a cliff-hanger but it needed it . Rox and Ax need time considering the events that happened in this book and the fact their relationship was so intense.

I rather liked it ending with so many decisions and questions hanging over Ax's head

4 couples

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### **Tracy Mcfarland says**

I loved loved this book. I could not put it down! It had me hooked from the start. Nothing like a badass chick against a super alpha biker! Yeah the sparks will fly! Will be stalking Franca's Facebook for more if this new series. So recommend this 5 star book.

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