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One Perfect Christmas picks up with Alice and Joe one year on... He's a bigger star than ever, and Alice has managed to maintain her anonymity. But how long can that last? Will this be their first - and last - perfect Christmas? And where is Lukas?

Snuggle up in front of the fire to read this magical wintery short story about what happened next...

## One Perfect Christmas Details

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# **From Reader Review One Perfect Christmas for online ebook**

## **Lucy says**

I just wished that this was longer & the full story, they get photographed & .....

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## **Stacey says**

Read: 2 January 2013 (originally November 2012)

Why: Loved One Perfect Summer

Rating: 3.5 stars

Brief synopsis: Alice and Joe return in the sequel to One Perfect Summer - a novella available only as an e-book - catching up a year after their Dorset reunion.

What I thought: I said I would be honest in my reviews so here goes - I didn't like this. If it hadn't have been the sequel to One Perfect Summer (and possibly a bridge into the next instalment), it would have only been a 3 star rating.

This short story is very short, more of an extended epilogue and much shorter than other novellas I've read. To make the matter worse, a lot of that is spent recapping parts of One Perfect Summer and because of that, there isn't much of a story - they've bought a house and Joe's built a snowman is about the gist of it.

It's a real shame as I loved all of Paige Toon's other books but this one left me feeling as though nothing at happened. I would rather have waited longer for a full sequel. That said, it won't put me off buying The Longest Holiday when it is released in May 2013.

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## **Hannah says**

Joe and Alice such a perfect match. I love the public kiss while punting. I loved this short story. I want it to carry on.

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## **Monica says**

Got it today and had to read it! Absolutely great!!

Having said that i would really love a sequels.

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### **Rachel Keaveney says**

I didn't see the point of this book, why not just wait and do a sequel?! She ends the book as if there will be another short story? I did love the story and loved catching up with Joe and Alice but felt a little disappointed!

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### **uma says**

The main character was super annoying but I just read it so I could just know what happened.

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### **Silke says**

<3 Argh ich würd so gern mehr über Joe und Alice lesen <3

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### **Britt says**

Did really love this book but i agree with everyone else when they say that it would have been better as a sequel than a short story!

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### **Kim says**

OMG I'm so mad! I totally forgot I was reading a short story. When I clicked next and the story was over I was like what?!, Oh yeah I'm reading a short story lol. Alice & Joe one year later! The story shows you Joe & Alice's life since the end of One Perfect Summer. You get to see updates about Jessie, Emily and Alice's parents as well. We get a glimpse of how Alice is dealing with dating a celebrity and the obstacles they face since Alice decided to keep their relationship a secret. The only horrible thing about this is, its short :(

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### **Robyn says**

Feel quite mean with this rating but it just seemed pointless and didn't really go anywhere. Doesn't really help that I can hardly remember a thing about "One perfect summer"!

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### **Leah says**

After finishing Paige Toon's latest novel One Perfect Summer, I immediately rushed to my Kindle to read the

short story sequel to the novel, *One Perfect Christmas*. I'll be honest, I wasn't a big fan of *One Perfect Summer*. I didn't like Alice very much, and I felt it was a re-telling of *Pictures of Lily* but in a different setting. Plus, the ending was horribly abrupt. *One Perfect Christmas* goes a little way to patching up the rough ending, but, really, Toon should have just held her horses and wrote a full-length sequel rather than bowing to fans demands and rushing out a short story sequel that takes all of 10 minutes to read.

It does feel as though *One Perfect Christmas* was a filler. That at some point in the future, we will see Alice and Joe again in some capacity. I'll be honest, I found it too short to really get to know Alice and Joe in a relationship after so much time apart. I thought it all seemed a bit too perfect. Yes, they loved each other very much — at 18. We're now meant to believe that nearly 10 years on, they still feel exactly the same and that they haven't changed at all since they were teens. I don't want to sound as if I'm on a downer as Toon is a brilliant, brilliant author, I just felt that this novella and its prequel were a bit idealistic.

All I will say, is that I hope *The Longest Holiday* gets Toon back to her best, back to the best I know she can produce. The good news is that it seems it will. The first chapter is at the end of *One Perfect Christmas*, and I like Laura already, so bonus. *One Perfect Summer* and *One Perfect Christmas* just weren't to my liking, sadly. They just weren't as good as Toon's previous 5 novels.

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### **Rhea says**

Awww I loved reading about Alice and Joe again...I wish it would've been longer haha annoying how she ends it, just when something good was about to happen. I definitely can't wait to see what Paige Toon has in stall for these two!

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### **Ricci says**

Urghhhhh just as the book was getting really really really good it ends! Loved how we were given a glimpse of Alice & Joe's relationship & how it came together. Just wished we given a bit more as the ending was abruptly finished & slightly rushed! But it was nice reading about old characters, can finally have a but of closure!

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### **Nina says**

This was such a cute and enjoyable read. I loved finding out more about what happened Alice and Joe after the end of "*One Perfect Summer*" and really hope we might get another short story about them in the future!

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### **Sara says**

*One Perfect Summer* was such an enjoyable book..

As a girl with a similar experience, I loved getting lost in the story of Alice and Joe.. so when I found out that there was a short story that told what happened next, I immediately bought the e-book..

It was a big disappointment!

A fair share of the story was recapping what happened in One Perfect Summer.. There is a wedding, and there is a hint to what may happen next, but.. nothing was developed!

If the intention and purpose of this "book" was just to get the faithful reader even more hungry for a potential sequel, then goal achieved!

But otherwise, I do not see the point, and I would have much rather waited for a "proper" - complete sequel rather than cathcing up like this. This is like going for coffee when you could be going for a nice meal!

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