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Come join me on my journey and find out why!

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Approximately 6,000 words – this first volume introduces the main characters and how they met.

This first volume of my sexual self-discovery is the mere beginning of a sensual, sultry love affair with life, and with all the joys of being a woman.

## Summer's Journey: Volume One - Losing Control Details

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## **From Reader Review Summer's Journey: Volume One - Losing Control for online ebook**

### **Dark Haven says**

Let me say at the outset, that if Goodreads allowed me to give this 4 1/2 stars I would have. This novella is closer to a 5 than a 4.

Summer's Journey, Volume 1: Losing Control is the story of a fortyish woman coming to grips with a divorce after nearly 20 years of marriage. Summer initially mourns the death of the life she's known then decides to embrace her circumstances. This is her opportunity for sexual rebirth through sexual exploration; and her journey begins by finding the right man to journey with.

The author markets "Losing Control" as the first in "A True Romance/Erotica Series." I don't know if this is a true story retold as fiction or a true story in the manner of "The Story of O." You know what I mean. If this is the author's retelling of actual events, I have to say, "I'm scared of her" and applaud her courage to put her experience out there. Now to the second part; is this erotica? You better believe it is.

There's a difference between erotic romance and eroticism. Erotic romances are stories that really focus on the development of a romantic relationship through sexual interaction. At least that's the Romance Writers of America's definition of it and most other definitions I've read echo that sentiment. In an erotic romance you know the sexual interaction between the characters is coming sooner rather than later; and there's going to be a lot of it. Erotica/eroticism is all about the sexual desire, arousal and anticipation of the sexual union. The story line in "Losing Control" is pure eroticism. The author does an excellent job drawing the reader into the story and building the tension and anticipation of her first non-marital sexual consummation as she searches for that special man. Losing Control is the beginning of Summer's journey as she searches for the right man and finds Mark. There's a lot of mental and emotional foreplay in "LC" as the reader witnesses the dance between Summer and Mark; but it's exciting to read. The dialogue of the characters is wonderful and the events surrounding their unconventional 'courtship' are believable.

For the complete review go to [www.darkhavenbookreviews.com](http://www.darkhavenbookreviews.com)

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### **Nevena Read says**

What a fantastic prelude to a story that has certainly piqued my interests... I think just about any woman would be able to relate to Summer's story in one way or another.

In 'Losing Control' I was introduced to an author whose words quite simply fell off the page making this short story a pleasure to read,

I will definitely be heading back to Amazon to get the second volume. I can't wait to see what Mark has in store for Summer \*squirms\* now that she has finally surrendered her control ;-)

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### **Alexia Purdy says**

This book is a romance/erotica with a twist. I love how the author puts you in the place of the main character

'Summer' and takes you along the beginning of what seems will be a sensual ride in losing control of one's inhibitions. This is a very short volume f.y.i. and I would like to see more of this multi volume series for I feel reviewing it now might not do it justice. Well written in first person and draws the reader in along for the ride. My only regret is that it is way too short and probably would have been more satisfying if the volume had been longer. \*\*\*For adults only\*\*\*

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### **Lori says**

The story felt like it just dragged for me. I'm going to be honest here, from the start it felt like the author is trying to do her own version perhaps 50 Shades of Gray. It seems like this is a current pattern among writers now. Its becoming a huge turn off to me. I thank the author for offering it Free, I took a chance hoping I'd like it but it just didn't work for me.

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### **Wendy \*Sebella Blue\* Mitchell says**

Summer is a fortyish, recent divorcee, who wants to rediscover and reinvent her solitary sex life. She is an average woman, not a porn star wannabe, not cover model gorgeous, or someone who thought they were overly adventurous. This is the start of her journey to erotic self awareness.

I will be totally honest about reviewing this book. I ventured forth with a lot of trepidation. This was a “new 2 me” author, and a self published one at that. I have had some less than pleasant experiences going down that road. The story is also in first person, which for me is especially uncomfortable when reading erotica. This was certainly a welcome surprise. This was absolutely one of the most beautifully written and tasteful pieces of erotic literature I have gotten my hands on this year. It did not fall into the trap of using graphic language and terminology to cover up lack of imagination or writing skills. Don't get me wrong, the words aren't sugar coated or Victorian euphemisms, they are just used appropriately and in the correct amount. In this first volume, we get to know a little about Summer, and her initial contact with Mark. We get to watch the relationship unfold from the very beginning. I still can't determine if this is fiction or not, and that just adds to the fun and mystique of the book. I was absolutely hooked and invested by the time I finished this book. If you are tired of the same old, same old in women's erotica, then I definitely recommend this book. It brings a very welcome freshness to a growing genre that desperately needs some new blood.

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### **Gemma says**

This is one of the best Erotica stories I have read in a long time. I was fortunate enough to read both parts, part one is the one featured here, 'Losing Control' and it left me with such a huge desire to read what happened next that I simply had no choice but to buy the next book in the series 'Alphabetical Assignment'. Both books held my attention and had me squirming with desire at every sensual twist and turn. Fantastic!

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### **Chantal Boudreau says**

The first in a romance/ erotica series, this digital short presents us with Summer, a newly divorced middle-aged woman seeking fresh adventures. To find this, she begins to explore her restored sexual freedom by

treading upon new ground and experimenting in ways she hadn't really considered in the past.

Summer laments the bedroom boredom of her failed marriage as well as the lingering resentment that had existed between her and her ex due to their unsuccessful attempts to have children. She finds Mark online, another divorcé, and agrees to meet with him in person. He makes an unusual proposal and when she concedes to it, we get to enjoy the teasing beginning of their curious relationship.

This is a tantalizing intro to the series, not to mention exceptionally well written for erotica. The narrative was clever and insightful, very tongue-in-cheek. The protagonist has decided to make bold changes to her life, and she openly admits that her new approach at times is crude and desperate. I think that's why I enjoyed this so much. There was no flowery language, pseudo-spirituality or vulgarity without plot. It was gritty, original, funny and hot.

After what I have read in erotica, this was nothing like what I was expecting. It left me very intrigued to see where the series would go from here. If this is your type reading material, this Journey is definitely one I would recommend.

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### **Steelwhisper says**

1.5\* rounded up.

First off, this has a cliffhanger ending, so all you learn about really is the setup of the two people intending to have sex with each other.

Sorry, but this isn't even in the same league as what I'm also currently reading erotica-wise (C. Mistry), and while the SPaG was adequate, the content was boring.

As a BDSMer I dislike the way this appears to set up a woman to be played by an allegedly recently divorced guy who never once comes out with being yours truly, the domly Dom. There's no reason for this, and if this were reality he'd be a skeevy arse for leading her by the nose.

I so wished someone would finally get it right, but apparently there's no one out there who wants to get away from the FSoG mold.

In short--a boring cliffy without any erotic content and lots of backstabbing at husbands and wives.

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### **Timony says**

'Summer's Journey' is the story of a 40-ish divorcee out to find her sexual self again. This is a great story about dealing with a new life after the ending of an old one, and the beginnings of a whole new sexual adventure. I'm really looking forward to reading Vol. II!

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## **Crystal Trent Dotson says**

Reviewed By: Crystal Trent Dotson

Summer is now divorced and starting over , she decides to place an Ad to find someone to satisfy her sexual needs. After several E-mails , she meets with Mark , which is not looking to move to fast , he gives Summer some "instructions" to follow if they are going to take it to the next step. Summer has to decide wheather or not to trust him and give him total control and hope he makes her fantasies come true , or give up and find someone else.

This is a Sizzling, Erotica , Romance. It's exciting to be taking this life changing Journey with Summer !!

Great Book (for adults only)

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## **Evan Peterson says**

I wasn't aware that the "book" was only 20 pages or so long and was terribly surprised not by just the short length, but by the abruptness of where it ends. I had known it was first in a series but I had been expecting novels. This was more like the first half of a short story.

Now, understanding it more as a serial format for one story, I'm not bitter at it for that, just surprised. As a long time buyer of comic books, I'm also not heartbroken over paying the \$1.99 or \$2.99 I paid, but I did think there should have been a little more content for the price, especially if each installment is about 20 pages. I won't be buying the rest (the first three installments being roughly \$8 for 60 pages of story when I can get a 1,000 page novel on the Kindle for the same price it's entirely a value for my buck issue).

As for the tale, the character of Summer raised a lot of red flags for me as far as how unsafe she was playing so swiftly. I would never suggest someone interested in BDSM follow her path (presented as going from blind date to jumping right into the deep end of the pool with no training).

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## **Faith says**

if you buy this one you better get the second one too at the same time cause this one leaves off at a cliff

but the writing is one of the most natural feeling, smooth reads ever. it was so realistic.

ive put off on buying the next one cause i just didnt want to spending money on a short story but i have to admit that ive been thinking alot about whats next for summer..... once the hotel door opens :}

fingers crossed that its all that i hoped to be

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## Todd Fonseca says

Summer's Journey Vol 1: Losing Control - Mind Foreplay

Rating: 4 of 5

Author: Summer Daniels

Format: Kindle

Recently divorced and open to exploring a side of her sexuality she had previously hidden, Summer decides to use technology to find her man. Inundated with inane emails from numerous men looking to hook-up, Summer wonders if perhaps there are any intelligent sensual men out there. Then she comes across Mark online, an articulate man who captures her interest. After agreeing to meet him, she finds herself very attracted to him. Much to her surprise, he leaves her but offers a proposition. Conflicted but intrigued, will Summer follow her passions?

Summer Daniels' "Summer's Journey Volume 1: Losing Control" is a masterfully crafted erotic tale. This is a brief ebook which sets the stage as an initial chapter in her experience with Mark. This volume is really an erotic appetizer. The pace of seduction is perfect and Daniels weaves a well balanced conflict play between Summer's desire to broaden her horizons without pushing so hard that Summer will retreat. The author notes that this is a work of fiction, but told as a "real world" erotic memoir adds readers will be pulled in to an experience where they just might wonder how fictional it really is.

Warning, the ending is really just the beginning! You won't be able to resist picking up Volume 2.

Summer's Journey Volume 1 is \$2.99 on kindle.

Note: A complimentary copy of this work was received in return for a review.

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## Katy says

**Book Info:** Genre: Erotica/True romance Reading Level: Adult

**Disclosure:** I received a free eBook from the author in exchange for an honest review.

**Synopsis:** Fortyish, newly divorced, searching and longing for something different. Something fulfilling and exciting, somewhere far outside my ordinary comfort zone.

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**My Thoughts:** This is a short and fairly non-explicit sort of prequel to Summer Daniels' so-called "true romance" erotica series. While she claims these are true stories, she also precedes the story with a "this is a work of fiction" disclaimer, so I'm not sure what to think about that. I had planned to immediately read the 2nd book in the series, but Amazon has still not delivered it to my Kindle, so I shall content myself with this one for now, since I did promise her a review a long time ago.

Technically, the book is well-written and well-edited. The character provides a great deal of introspection, and lots of hints of juicy stuff to come, if you're a fan of erotica. As far as the writing style, this would be a five-star book, but I just didn't care for it. Probably it's just not my cup of tea. Please realize it is a sort of prequel and there is not really any "action" in this book, just hints at it; Ms. Daniels says things get juicy in the 2nd book. If you enjoy erotica and "true romance" type stories, you should enjoy this.

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### **D. Alexx Miller says**

Review: 5 of 5 mroowws For this Sensuous Page Turner!

I have read so many pieces of "erotica" that have really been nothing more than glorified porn, that I really did not know what to expect..... read the rest at <http://momcatsnaughtyreview.blogspot....>

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