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Ellie Foster lives and breathes normal. She's the responsible one, the girl everyone depends on.

Jason Holden doesn't know the word normal. Star of the hit Planet Gazers films, his every move is watched by millions.

A chance encounter between the pair leads to a deal that will change their lives.

Ellie needs money for her family. Jason needs a girlfriend for the world tour of the final Planet Gazers movie. It's a match made in Hollywood heaven.

But what happens when the lines between their act and reality become blurred? Can they figure out what is real and what's fake?

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## Jennica Bridgman says

This book felt amateur, with very choppy writing and an overly simple storyline. The writing wasn't refined. The writing is jarring and rushed and doesn't feel natural, especially at the beginning. The characters aren't consistent. Jason is hot and cold, even in his own thoughts. The author resorts to telling us most things instead of showing, which makes it feel forced and contrived instead of flowing naturally. The story is overly cliché and the writing is underdeveloped and we learn next to nothing about the characters or their real lives, but still yet I was sucked in. It's the type of story I'd love to see in movie form. Thanks to NetGalley and Evernight Teen for providing a copy for me to read!

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## Rups!! says

[ Surprising part for me was that I knew that the texts saying bad things about the actor Jason by Ellie to her friend would create a misunderstanding but I thought that it would be because

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## Meghan says

This book was received as an ARC from Evernight Teen in exchange for an honest review. Opinions and thoughts expressed in this review are completely my own.

Until You looks like an exact carbon copy of the young adult dramas our patrons generally go for. While reading the description I could not help but be reminded of the movie Win a Date with Tad Hamilton and The Secrets of my Hollywood Life by Jen Calonita and how the hollywood lifestyle is so glamorous at first but when reality hits, it's not what it's meant to be. I got a little sense of that vibe while reading Until You but the story had a little more drama and flare to it that it kept things interesting and peaked to know what will happen next and that is what our readers are looking for in these types of books. This book is a real page turner and is sure to not disappoint.

This book will definitely have a home in our YFiction collection at the library. That is why we give this book 5 stars.

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## Pia Bibliophile says

I liked this book! It was the perfect combination between funny and cheesy . It was an easy read that kept me company at night, when I wanted to relax after a long day. A book to smile and pass the time. It's about a fake relationship with a celebrity that becomes something else... Ellie needs to help her family and a fake relationship seems right. Jason is a spoiled celebrity, who really needs a fake girlfriend. The writing was ok, a bit rushed sometimes and in need of more details about the female character, because the male one was more developed. But apart from that it was good. It's a 3 stars. An enjoyable read. Book kindly provided by NetGalley.

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## **Patty says**

Until You by Bridie Black is a cute young adult love story. Ellie Foster is a normal girl who takes on responsibility for everyone. Jason Holden is a movie star loved by millions. What happens when Ellie and Jason agree to be a fake couple? I love this genre, there is something so innocent about first loves. I love the quirky people and situations in this book, and watching the characters grow. I found this book to be a quick read, and recommend it to all readers who enjoy a sweet romance.

I received this book in exchange for a fair and honest review.

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## **Kate says**

I have really mixed feelings about this one. I honestly thought I would love this one. The fake relationship trope with a celebrity is one of my favorite stories. Ellie is a college student who by fate happens to meet and help Jason, a mega celebrity, out of a sticky situation. Months later, when her family is in need of help, she contacts his publicist again, and as fate would have it, Jason happened to need a fake girlfriend at just that time.

I enjoyed the parts about being a celebrity as well as the travel and sightseeing they did. And I did love some of the secondary characters. But, I truly almost gave up on the novel after a few chapters. The beginning was super rushed. I pushed through and I did enjoy the middle of the novel. But, the end was again really rushed. The characters were not very well developed, in my opinion. I honestly feel like I know nothing about Ellie except the basics (age, occupation, etc...) even after finishing the book. Jason was slightly more developed. He was an arrogant jerk in the beginning, and you did see a change in him at the end. If you enjoy fake relationship and celebrity tropes, you'd probably like this one.

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## **KelticKat says**

This was a bit of light & breezy summer's night!

I'm really not a huge fan of the "fake girlfriend/wife" thing - but this one worked for me.

Ellie has a chance encounter one night with Jason outside a A-List party she's working. She comes to his rescue when scandal breaks - they have moment, a connection, but quickly brushes off the encounter in favor of real life.

So when the tables turn and Ellie reaches out to his Publicist for help in getting a job for the summer that will help her family out of a bind.

Jason is a complete self-centered jerk at the start of the book. I do like as we find out more about Jason we begin to see behind his mask to the real person that he hides and protects beneath.

At the beginning of the "relationship" they both make some mistakes that come back to bite them near the end. There's angst and drama - but in the end we get a HFN.

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### **Denise Baer says**

I really liked it. It's been a while since I enjoyed a book, and this isn't my typical genre. Even though I wasn't crazy about the book cover, and at times, it became repetitive, I couldn't wait to pick it up again. Ellie and Jason's perspectives was a great way to tell the story. They were likeable characters, and they each possessed a layer of insecurity, which added friction to the glam and girl-next-door/college lifestyles. Ellie's internal conflict made me laugh. What I liked most of all was the growth in character, mainly Jason. Not an easy feat to accomplish as a writer, but I think Blake did a good job with it. I'd recommend this book to others and I'd read this author again.

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### **KarenJo Custodio says**

Actual rating 4.5 Stars

Until You by Bridie Blake was a fantastic read from start to finish! I swooned like crazy, laughed like a dork, and tried to hold back my tears a few times.

I've always liked celebrity romance stories. You know the ones where the more than meets the eye irresistibly hot and somewhat arrogant/misunderstood, but actually really kind and sweet actor falls hopelessly in love with the average and simple small town, but incredibly fascinating and inspiring girl or vice versa or some version similar to that. Whoa that was a mouthful... sorry about that loves...but you know what I mean right? They're also quite predictable and usually have cheesy HEAs, but they're just so much fun to read! Add the fake dating/relationship trope into the picture and you get something crazy, messy, and full of drama, but with the absolute best kind of FEELS. And this book... it had those FEELS and SWOONS and so much more than I expected.

I liked the writing style a lot and thought both the POVs were really great. Usually, I tend to like one more than the other, but with this book, I enjoyed both Ellie and Jason's POV. I also thought the plot was well-developed, interesting, and had its own uniqueness. Some parts were predictable in the sense that the things I expected to happen did happen, but there was also depth to the story. There's a bit of everything which I really liked — gossip, drama, heartbreak, friendship, loyalty, family, forgiveness, love and of course self-discovery. I don't want to give too much away, but even though I knew how the story would eventually end (you get this feeling when you read way too many romance novels), there were still some nice surprises and twists. The romance was slow burn and I have to admit that I got a little impatient at some point, but my oh my... I am not kidding when I say that when I got there, it was deliciously satisfying. I got the butterflies and those warm fuzzies and I just wanted to hug and squish something so hard because Ellie and Jason were just too cute and swoony together. The ending was super adorable and heartwarming and left me smiling and just you know.. really happy with how everything wrapped up.

Character wise, I thought they were all pretty great. Ellie's got spunk and I enjoyed her sense of humor. She's also very likable and relatable. Jason was impossible not to like. You just know there was something more about him and he's not the irresponsible playboy he pretends to be. I enjoyed his softer side and how

protective he was with the people he loved. I also really liked Annaliese and Georgia, and I absolutely adored Jason's grandfather (Oh and Jason's relationship with his grandparents will definitely make you love him more). But Rebecca, Ellie's best friend, was definitely the scene-stealer and my favorite character! She's funny, caring, and such a firecracker! She actually reminds me a lot of my best friend. She's blunt, but honest, feisty, loyal, supportive and just a really awesome friend.

Overall, I really had a blast reading *Until You*. It was adorably funny, delightfully entertaining and sweetly romantic. I loved the sweet moments that tugged at my heartstrings and made me aww. I loved the serious and emotional scenes that had me tearing up and holding back tears. And I really loved how the relationships between the characters felt realistic and relatable. Really excited to check out more books by B. Blake and I think you should definitely add her to your to-be-read authors.

If you're looking for a fun swoontabulous YA contemporary romance full of heart, laughs, and swoons to keep you company this winter, then grab a copy of this book.

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Review, Favorite Quotes and Author Interview can be found on my blog [Sincerely Karen Jo](#)

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### **Kim Bakos says**

I have mixed feelings about this book. I enjoyed reading it - kind of an easy "fluff" change than the meatier books that I tend to read. However, it is supposed to be a teen romance, and as the mother of a 16 year old daughter, I can say I wouldn't want her to read it.

The first 50 pages of the book deal with the main male character basically being a "man-whore", being in a downward spiral because he was caught up in a sex tape scandal, and trying to forget about these issues by being drunk all the time. None of these are scenarios that I want my daughter to feel are normal or OK. We are trying to instill in her the values of sobriety and abstinence, or at the least to drink in moderation and only have sex in a committed relationship.

The book becomes more fun when the two main characters enter into the charade of a relationship, but there are scenes of sexual harassment and older men who prey on young women in the story.

So if you are adult and want to read this story for entertainment, go for it. But proceed with caution if you are sharing it with young adult readers who you want to be people of character.

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### **Dianne says**

I received a complimentary copy from Evernight Teen!

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### **Christine Rees says**

"A taste of the glamorous life."

*Until You* builds a gradual love story between two individuals from completely different worlds: a college

student and an A-list celebrity. In desperate need to help her family out of financial trouble, Ellie accepts a job as movie star Jason Holden's fake girlfriend to create his "down-to-earth" image. It is no surprise that the two develop feelings for one another, but the wicked nature of showbiz takes its toll on their relationship and the twists will leave you wanting more. It's a fun read with clothing hiccups, makeovers, glamorous celebrities, paparazzi, and steamy make-out sessions.

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### **Macy Klingerman says**

I am such a sucker for celeb/non celeb romances so when I got an email from Bridie Blake I was so excited. I've had a pretty tame week, so I actually had time to sit down and enjoy this book, and oh boy, did I enjoy it.

I personally love reading romance in the summer, and I know many of you like to do so as well. This book takes place on a world tour for our male protagonist's movie release, so it's packed with places that I want to go to some day. There's something about two people learning about each other and falling in love in some of the most romantic places in the world that just screams "HELLO SUMMER YES THIS IS VERY SUMMER". I mean, the Eiffel Tower? Even if that particular scene isn't uhhhh.. conventionally romantic, you still get the idea. One of the great thing about the romance in this book is that while there is some initial "oh wow you're gorgeous" attraction, the actual romance is very much a slow burn with a pretty satisfying payoff.

Until You switches in-between 2 POVs, Ellie and Jason. I'm happy to report that it didn't fall into the trap of "one POV is WAYYYYY more enjoyable than the other". I loved being in both of their heads and watching as their feelings and motivations towards each other (and life in general, really) grow and change. I felt like there was some serious character growth for both of them by the time I reached the end of the story.

As we coast through the last days of summer, I urge you to pick up Until You ASAP. I give it 5 out of 5 stars and I thank the author for sending a copy my way.

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### **Luupi "The Reading Queen" says**

I was in need of a contemporary romance book after reading so much fantasy this month and Until You was the perfect one and **I'm so glad I picked it up** <3

It's been such a long time since I last read a book where the love interest is a superstar that I was afraid I wouldn't like that trope anymore, luckily **I loved how the superstar aspect came into play**. It was so **unique** because the stories I've read focused on the nice side of being famous but Until You also shows that celebrities' life sometimes isn't as easy as the media says. **There are a lot of things that our main male character, Jason, has to deal with** like backstabbing, friends that are with you only when you serve a purpose and fake gossip going around that it could cost you your job.

Our main female character, **Ellie, also has problems of her own** such as her family not having enough money to live a comfortable life and a cheating "boyfriend". I really enjoyed watching them fake a

relationship and slowly start developing feelings for each other. There were some scenes and interactions that were so cute that I couldn't help myself from whispering "*awww*", **it truly was such a sweet slow burn romance**.

Moreover, **I really liked how down to earth Ellie was**. She was a simple girl who liked simple things like enjoying an afternoon with friends or taking selfies at impressive places just to send them to her family. Everyone ends up loving her and for good reasons, she's a lovely and sweet girl.

An aspect I didn't like about this book is how **there is a conflict almost at the end that's there just to make the story longer** because it gets solve way too easily for my liking. (view spoiler)

All in all, I did enjoy this book due to the characters' personalities and the romance was super sweet without being too over the top. The fact that the "superstar" trope was done so uniquely definitely added up to my enjoyment of *Until You*. The only bad thing I have to say about it is that there is an unnecessary conflict almost at the end which made no sense but I still gave this book 4 stars so obviously I didn't think it was that big of a deal.

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## **Dianne says**

Light and quirky, **UNTIL YOU** by Bridie Blake belongs at the beach or by the pool, like an added ray of sunshine in the contemporary romance department!

Jason Holden is the latest flavor in Hollywood stardom and he has the reputation to prove it. How better to tame the wild man/child with too much money and too many good looks than to find him a girlfriend to tag along with him?

Ellie Foster is the go to girl in everyone's lives. Her family is also in trouble financially, so when Fate put Jason in her path and opportunity was just a phone call away, Ellie made the call that would change her summer and possibly her life, forever.

Fast, fun, with a smattering of angst and Ellie, the brightest star in this romantic tale. Bridie Blake did a wonderful job of bringing us into the celluloid world of movies, smiling faces and all of the games people play. The true breath of fresh air is Ellie. I'm pretty sure adorable describes her character to a tee!

Now, whether this is a young adult read, Jason does have a manwhore rep to beat down. That said, nothing is blatant, but maybe this is better suited to an older crowd of young adults. The romance between Ellie and Jason is certainly a slow build, and again, just getting to that first kiss is almost painful!

All in all, I did love the lightness, the trials and tribulations of avoiding admitting their feelings and Hey, it's summer, the reading should be easy and breezy! Go for it!

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