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Aubrey earned her love ‘em and leave ‘em reputation with her serial dating past. A pregnancy scare makes her see the light and change her ways. She gets serious about school and stops dating – until she meets Luka and falls head over heels for him.

Luka doesn’t trust easily after having his heart crushed by the girl next door. When he meets Aubrey, he doesn’t think she’s relationship material because of her past – even though he’s drawn to her.

What happens when the girl who always ran the moment a relationship got serious meets *The One*? Will Aubrey be able to get Luka to see her *Outside the Box* he’s put her in?

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GeektasticAlii says

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Finally the universe loves me and this review is LIVE! Now you know I love Rochelle minions, I'm talking total girl crush here. I didn't think I could love her any more, and then she went and gave me Luka!

Swoons I want to say I'm still spoiled for choice on who I want to marry more, but Luka is my favorite out of the guys so it's official. I'm going to marry him and have his babies...you're all invited...to the wedding not the baby making 'cause that would just be awkward. *Cough* So getting back to the review, I finished this bad boy in a matter of hours. It took one look at the ARC on my Kindle, for me to go into complete hermit mode and simply read. Many of you know I've been eager for Aubrey's story, because I've always felt there was a lot more to her than we were seeing. I found her to be a very loveable, engaging and witty character. I understood her wanting to take a break from dating, and despite the feelings Luka invokes she's determined to stick to the plan, but I found myself clenching my Kindle all 'just jump his bones already'. I mean props the woman for holding out so long, I would have been all over that minions. That being said it was nice how they kinda started out as friends..or well tutor and student...but you get my drift. It was hard for Aubrey to give all herself so quickly, and I liked that about her especially her doubts on what to do, because it showed her vulnerable side which means I totally connected with her. The butterflies in your stomach, the clammy hands, nerves and excitement of seeing your crush is something everyone can relate to on some level. When their attraction finally becomes too much and she can no longer resist, Aubrey's ready to break her vow and go after what she craves, little does she know that Luka's been fighting the same internal battle and he is done waiting.

"You said you didn't come here to see me, but now that I have you where I want you, I don't want you to let you go," I admitted.

She beamed up at me at my words. " Maybe I don't want you to let me go."

Oh Luka, you fine alpha Russian specimen! *Fans self* The man was just so sweet and perfect, that I wanted to get in bitch smackdown with his ex. You have to ask yourself, how does one cheat on a guy such as Luka? 'Cause that bitch be straight up crazy! Now of course this betrayal leads Luka to making his own promise to stay away from dating (they already sound perfect for each other right?), until he becomes the tutor to one very sassy, very sexy student struggling with maths. Yeah you read that right, he's a hockey player with brains and brawn! *Happy dances* He tries to resist Aubrey damn hard but once the man cracks, well it's like watching a starving man feast upon his first proper meal in forever. It. Was. Delicious. 'Cause let me tell you once Luka has you, he isn't letting you go for anything. As the saying goes you can run, but you can't hide minions. Luka and Aubrey's chemistry was scorching, and I really think they fit well together. Rochelle never leaves us with a boring moment, and builds everything up to the point you're just chanting for a HEA. Oh and Lord don't get me started on the little bits of Russian that were spoken, I swear I just dissolved into my bed from the heat of it all. That's not to say things were all well and dandy, they both had pasts, pasts that almost became a serious issue but they find their way. Rochelle whisks us away with them, as we follow them on their journey to true love...yeah I'm sappy so sue me....where we swoon, melt, giggle and just fall in love with the beauty of it all.

"I'm the lucky one because you really are mine now," I growled, pulling her body closer. "And I'm not giving you up for anything."

Of course we get to hang with our favorite characters, which was fun and sweet to say the least. By the end I felt like I'd been through a family reunion. Oh and what an ending! It was just right, while there is no obvious HEA reading between the lines you can see it's there, and that everything will work out eventually. So my rating is 4.5 drool worthy stars! Rochelle never fails to deliver alpha male goodness, and a romance that melts your heart. Her writing style is great, and everything seems to flow naturally. My only problem is things moved a little too fast, I mean it was paced enough to be believable but not enough to allow a strong development of their relationship. As well as a real lack of drama, I mean I love HEA but there's gotta be drama minions! Aside from that I loved it, and if you're a fan of uber alpha males who whisper sweet Russian nothings to you, then look no further my lovelies.

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Laura Rendler Rendler says

These books just keep getting better and better! I loved all the characters, but Luka is by far my favorite so far he is so damn sexy and sweet! I'm sad that this series only has one novella left. Definitely a must read!

Darcy says

It has been interesting to see Aubrey change over the series. Her self imposed dating ban seemed to be a good thing for her, helped her realize what was really important. I liked that she was determined to go into the family business and worked to be the best at it.

Luka's introduction made me feel sorry for him. It had to suck to learn that about a long time girlfriend, but he's better off for being shot of her. I wasn't sure about Luka with Aubrey, not sure that they would be a good match, but turns out they were perfect for each other. Sure they had little spats, but they worked things out.

I was a bit worried towards the end when the big drama happened. I was glad that Aubrey managed to think and realize more was going on to then be able to talk about things rationally with Luka. I liked that Luka realized he was wrong and apologized right away.

~Nichole~ Sizzling Pages Romance Reviews says

Another sexy and sweet story by an author I just can't get enough of. Luka.. just divine.. so amazing. Aubrey was so surprisingly genuine.. after getting into her head.. she was just totally not what I expected. I am so happy to have finally experienced all of these amazing characters and swooned over some awesome growly possessive alphas.

Sania says

[No (hide spoiler)]

Mani says

I love the relationship building. Luka is alpha hotness! I couldn't put it down.
Easy and fun. Low on drama.

RJ says

About This Book:

This is the third novella in the *Blythe College* series. I have a tendency to read the most recently released book in a series first so I jumped on this without reading the previous two books and I can safely say that this novella could be read as a stand-alone.

So, what's this story about?

Aubrey is the serial dater, always jumping from one relationship to another because all the guys she has dated never seem like *the one* to her so she doesn't waste her time with them. During her self-imposed dry spell--because she had a pregnancy scare last year--she accidentally bumps into Luka and she's thinking it may be time to get back on the saddle.

Luka has just come out of a five year relationship. He came to visit his girlfriend in her dorm one summer only to find her having sex outside the window in the middle of the night in some guy's car! How are you gonna leave your boyfriend sleeping to sneak out the window to cheat on him? Needless to say, he dropped her like a bad habit and has not looked back.

Aubrey also needs math tutoring, and who else is gonna be her tutor but our super smart hockey player hero? They are definitely attracted to each other and Aubrey is wondering why in the world Luka is not asking her out. For Luka, he so wants to ask her out but her reputation as a serial dater has him wary because he doesn't want to be another notch on her bedpost. **Will Luka see Aubrey has more than her past and give them a chance for something real? And will Aubrey finally find herself in a relationship that just may for the long haul?**

My Thoughts:

What attracted me to this novella is that the H/h roles are reversed from what I'm so used to seeing in the New Adult genre. The heroine is the serial dater and the hero has just come out of a serious relationship. That was enough for me to take notice.

Let's talk about Luka. Hoooollyyy Shitttt. One word to describe him: POSSESSIVE. I'm talking 'you can't wear that' and 'don't talk to other guys' possessive. Or should I say controlling? That shit definitely wouldn't fly with me in real life, but I'll give Luka some leeway because he is crazy devoted to Aubrey.

"You're the only person in the world who drives me crazy like this. I've never been jealous like this before."

The sex was scorching hot! Luka is a dirty talker and sometimes his Russian comes out to play in the heat of the moment, which was pretty damn hot.

What I enjoyed most about this novella was the low-angst level. There was no OTT drama (except at the end), it was mainly about Luka and Aubrey dating. There was no pretending that they don't want something serious. They both went after each other without playing stupid games.

So why not five stars? I liked the story but I didn't get the 'ohmigod where have you been my entire life' feeling. And plus, one star off for that totally avoidable, hypocritical stunt Luka pulled at the ending.

Overall, if you have enjoyed the previous books in this series I'm pretty certain you will love this one just as much. It's perfect for all of you who want: a possessive alpha hero, a 'goes after what she wants' heroine, lots of hot sexy times, and just a nice comfort read where you can sit back and relax and read about this couple coming together.

Sheryl says

It's amazing how much I LOVE, LOVE, LOVE this series!!!! And the men are just so ALPHA!!! *PHWOAR* Luka was no exception *SWOON*... He could drag me back to his cave by my hair, ANYTIME!!!!

Can't wait to read MORE of your AWESOME stories, Rochelle Paige!!!!

Mary Tatar says

Where is this Blythe College and how can I get in? After reading the first two books in the series and now the third book *Outside The Box* I feel like I truly missed out on my true College experience. This book was everything you could expect from a Rochelle Paige book. A pure alpha male, strong determined heroine, and a whole bunch of laughter and good times in between. If you weren't a fan of hockey you might be now. Luka the Russian in descent male lead was the star player for Blythe College and one you can't help but notice. You are bound to fall hard and fast for him. I sure did!

Aubrey is not the relationship type. She's earned a reputation for playing the field. When she has a minor scare she realizes she needs to focus on school. The time for Aubrey to grow up and be an adult. She seems to be happy and she always will have her best friend Lexy to turn to in bad times. When she needs a tutor she expects a geeky nerd, not Luka the super attractive hockey stud. Luka has literally just got out of a long relationship. Long as in five years. His ex decided to sample the merchandise and when I say merchandise I mean other guys. Luka is turned off from relationships as well. Aubrey and Luka are completely attracted to each other. It becomes difficult for the both of them to concentrate on the prize. Graduation is just around the

corner. When they decide to give one another a try at dating it quickly becomes evident that they are more than student and tutor. Will Aubrey and Luka be able to trust one another and forget their pasts? Or will Luka just be one of many that Aubrey let's loose? Can their draw and connection be enough to make it last?

Luka certainly proved to be the man who Aubrey needed. Someone who definitely understood her feelings and insecurities. Both about to move to the next stage of their lives. A scary yet exhilarating time for them both. It didn't hurt either that Luka whispered sweet nothings to Aubrey in Russian. We should all be so lucky.

There is some conflict, but it led to some very beautiful declarations. These two met each other at the perfect time. When it's right, it's right! There were no two people who could compare. If you are missing some others from the series they pair nicely along with Aubrey and Luka, with a few surprises too.

If you are a fan of the strong alpha male, and a sweet love story, then you absolutely should be reading this one. As always I look forward to reading more from Rochelle and this series.

Michelle says

ARC provided by author in exchange of honest review

??? 4 "moya printsessa" Stars ???

Where have I been? I didn't know how much I was missing out in this Blythe College series by Rochelle Paige. Outside the Box is the first book that I have read from this author and I can happily attest this won't be the last. Rochelle Paige has me wanting more from the Blythe College cast. What I truly love about this series is that Ms. Paige made each book of the Blythe College series can be read as a standalone which was great for me since Outside the Box was the third book of the series and I went in totally blind not knowing what to expect. But let me just tell you, once you start reading you will not want to put the book down. First and foremost, I can gladly say Outside the Box will have you wanting your own very sexy Russian hockey player. The name that should be only left for you to speak of is Luka Ivanovich.

Luka Ivanovich is your not typical jock. He is smart, sexy, and a total badass possessive alpha male. Having been burned in the past, Luka is very cautious of his love life. He has built a wall surrounding his heart. So when he meets Aubrey, that came to an abrupt halt. Aubrey is a serial dater and a pregnancy scare caused her to put her serial dating to a standstill. Call it fate or luck, Aubrey needed a math tutor and it so happens to be that Luka was the one. Both Luka and Aubrey found themselves very attractive to one another and deciding to not let their past define them, they found themselves outside the box taking a chance on where this relationship could take them.

Outside the box...outside their comfort zone, Luka and Aubrey embarked on one hell of a sexy and hot romance. Their connection was sizzling and steamy. Ms. Paige made you want more Luka and Aubrey. On and off the ice, Luka scored major points with this book. What's not to love about a book that has hot hockey player whispering sweet nothings in your ear in Russian. Talk about melting panties!! Can Aubrey put an end to her serial dating now that she has Luka? Or will Luka's past and secrets hinder them from taking their new relationship to a new level?

Outside the Box is definitely one college romance that I truly enjoyed. It was fast paced and hot. Ms. Paige didn't drag out necessary angst drama that I find myself cringing in dealing with college romance. What Ms. Paige did was that she had a story that kept readers attention to what was truly important: Luka and Aubrey. I found myself enjoying the possessiveness and alpha personality of Luka. And to top it off, Ms. Paige made their sex scene..ummm hot and juicy!! I guess you have to read to find out why..one hint: grapefruit! Overall, Outside the Box was a great read and I look forward to reading more works from Ms. Paige. Rochelle Paige is definitely an author that I will keep my eyes out for. She can turn any alpha possessive male HOT!! So if you are looking for a hot alpha male and a sweet love story, then I highly recommend Outside the Box.

Rochelle Paige

Dyndyn says

4 'I'll never look at a grapefruit in the same way' stars!

I am so glad I got into this series. I'm really enjoying this. It satisfies my occasional need for college romance perfectly. Easy, fast, enjoyable reads that sizzle.

Outside the Box is Luka & Aubrey's story. I've been looking forward to Aubrey's story from the start. She's Lexi's gorgeous girlfriend (from book 1) who doesn't do relationships. I loved her colorful character and how she was there for Lexi always. And she didn't disappoint me here. She's grown into a better person who's more mature, focused, grounded and fun.

Luka was hotness personified. Add to this OTT possessiveness, caveman tendencies & bedroom prowess. Holy cow! (Rochelle Paige can certainly do steamy scenes!) And he was a hockey god and a math geek. Is there anything this guy can't do?!

Why not a 5? I had to knock off a point cause of the incident towards the end. (view spoiler)

I liked getting more Drake & Lexi(love these two to bits) ... and a little more Jackson and Kaylie. Loved the updates on these couples.

Outside the Box is another great addition to the Blythe College series. I seriously wish this place was for real. I wouldn't mind going back for more education.

Soonya says

[To be honest this heroine has a huge past, she used to date a lot of guys and had a pregnancy scare around several months prior the start of the story. After that she decided to take a break from guys, and only is back to dating when she sees the hero. She has a reputation on campus and guys say she was good in bed, but

Carrie says

So in love with this series! Drake starts it out as the ultimate badass possessive dude, but Luka may have beat him in that category! I love the progression of characters, new characters introduced, & I absolutely adore Aubrey & Luka! They're both attracted to the other, but cautious due to their pasts. When they each decide to go for it... yay!

This story is hot but sweet, & left me with a super happy smile! Definite 5++ story, keeper, re-read. and it will make a great recovery book, because the drama that happens is handled well & isn't overly angsty. Love!!! :)

Chu says

Review Originally Posted at: Book Freak

Rating: 4.5 Stars

Aubrey wanted to change from her old ways. She used to be a serial dater, she'd love the rush of the early stages of a relationship, but once the rush is gone, and she'd leave them. It took one awful pregnancy scare to make her change her ways. She decided to make school her first priority, and stop dating. She was successful in doing so, until she bumps into Luka. Her math tutor.

I could hear his accent, and swoon! Luka Ivanovich is one hell of an alpha male. I wonder why his ex-girlfriend didn't see how great this guy is and managed to break his heart into pieces. His past mistake made him wary of the girls surrounding him. Aubrey's past and record made him wonder if she's any relationship material. He decided to step back, think about it first, before he ask her out. It didn't matter whether he was completely drawn to her, or he was a bad case of a walking blue ball. His heart had just mended from being broken.

Everything was worth the wait – their first kiss, their first time together – they didn't rush the relationship, although Luka was dying to have her. Aubrey was willing to wait, to prove, perhaps to him or to herself that this was more than just sex. As for Luka, he needed to prove that what they have is more than just a rebound for him. After all, he had been with his ex far too long.

So, they tried to take it slow, slow enough until both of them were ready to experience spontaneous combustion because of the chemistry that surrounds them. The air was thick with sexual tension, even I was afraid I'd get blue balls!!! (LOL). But the moment they finally gave in to their attraction – all the wait was worth it.

Okaaay – Luka might be overbearing sometimes, especially with his caveman ways – but he’s making up with it by means of f**kpoloogy, and if him his alpha male tendencies would get him in trouble with her, it was ALMOST worth it. The trust issues lingered for a bit, and almost destroyed their relationship. But thank goodness, they have friends who are ready to get their heads out of their a**es, or else, all those hard work will be put into waste.

This is my third book by Rochelle Paige, and the third book of the Blythe College Series – so far, I’m yet to be disappointed. She gave me another engaging read, sexy and romantic. You can’t help but love the characters despite their imperfections, and I was so glad to see the old ones are living their HEAs.

One thing though... I don’t think I can look at the grapefruit the same way again after reading this!

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Kat DM says

My rating: **5 of 5 stars**

Reviewed by: Kathleen

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OMG, wow! It broke my heart as soon as I got to the first page. Cheaters I definitely hate and to be with someone for four years is kind of hard specially if it's a long distance kind of relationship. I've never been on one, but from witnessing it, I wouldn't do it, even if it kills me. I'd like to have my other half with me all cuddled up, spooning and all. This story had my heart in my throat from reading the PROLOGUE. I just wanted to get to the bottom of the story.

Luka Ivanocich received a full scholarship as a hockey player in Blythe College. He was cheated on by his long distance girlfriend of four years. He's a hot and sexy faithful guy, who put up a wall, due to his past. He meets Aubrey and things changed. Aubrey had a false alarm with pregnancy and is now very cautious with dating and getting intimate. Attractions sparks between them and their plans to put these walls are out the window. They don't wanna live in the past forever, so they try and see where this would lead them. Thinking OUTSIDE THE BOX, that is. Luka's insecurities could ruin his relationship with Aubrey if he doesn't change. I love how he just wants her to himself and not care what others would say. At first, Luka heard different stories about her, that she slept with the entire school. BUT when she told him what the truth was, he was done for. Breaking down these walls, they built around their hearts that had been burned once wasn't easy, but it had to be done to make this relationship work.

It ended just how I wanted it to. There were times when I had to fan myself, just going gaga, trying to imagine Luka's sexy Russian accent. Such a sweet love story with some very heavy, hot sex and I want more please, Ms. Paige. Everyone deserves a chance at love and it's what this story is all about. If you are looking for a hot read with the sexiest hot Russian alpha-male, then you'd have to read this book. I highly recommend it!
