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Evelyn Beaumont is a beautiful, intelligent, loving woman. She has an adoring family, a man who loves her and a best friend who is willing to do anything to make her happy. Sound like a perfect life to you?

Evelyn Beaumont:

I hide a terrible secret, one I have hidden from the people I love the most, from the people that love me the most. For the longest time I have hidden behind my shame, silenced by an elemental fear and depravity. I am bound by silence to protect them, to hide what I really am. In truth I can never let my family know what darkness haunts me, I am the key to destroying my family. And I would rather die than allow that.

WARNING: This book is about the survival of severe domestic abuse, it's not pretty, and it is fear at a level most of us cannot comprehend; women endure this life on a daily basis, this is Eve's story. Contains severe domestic abuse, violence and strong language.

Can be read as a stand alone.

Elemental Fear Details

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From Reader Review Elemental Fear for online ebook

Debbie I Heart YA Books says

Elemental Fear is not for the weak, or for those who can't understand the fear and power the abuser has over their victims. I've always had an emotional heart when it comes to girlfriend/spouse abuse, and Elemental Fear is the first novel I've read that goes into such deep, dark depths of abuse. For me, even if I know it's a fiction story with fictional characters, it still makes me angry. With abuse being a very real issue, I tend to get emotional when I read a novel like this. Now don't misunderstand my meaning. I thought this was an amazing, heart touching story with a very important message and with characters that I love. It's just my anger level goes up and I want to rip off the abuser's manhood (in this novel the abuser is a man) when I read this kind of story. Like I said, I get very emotional!

Eve is twenty-six years old, and she's been a victim of physical abuse for nine years. The abuse started when she was sixteen, and Eve is at that point of surrendering her mind and becoming broken—a shell of who she once was. The one person who always gave her a silent hope was Dominic, who's been her secret love since she was six years old, her prince, her knight in shining armor, but he knows nothing about the hell she lives in with his brother, Elliott.

To read Eve's story I had to really get into her character as an abused woman. Because as a woman who has never suffered abuse, it's normal for me to look at Eve and say "My God, Eve, just open your mouth. You're giving this worthless piece of sh*t the power to keep you in fear." So, yes, Eve's character was a hard one for me, but I was able to see from her view point and see the fear and power that Elliot easily had imprisoned Eve with. Ada Frost is a talented writer. She pulled me into Eve's abusive relationship with Elliott, and I felt every bit of Eve's pain, fear, and emotion, in Eve's mind and heart.

Now on a happy note, I love Johan. Johan and Eve work together at the same office and they become best friends. I'm not going to spoil Johan and Eve's relationship for you, I'm just going to tell you I love this guy so much. And I'm begging Ada Frost to write Johan's story.

Elemental Fear is about abuse and it's on a hardcore level. So if you can't approach Eve's story with openness, and see it from her point of view, the fear and shame she lives in for herself and others she loves and wants to protect, then please just don't read this book. Because the author deserves to be rewarded for writing about this difficult subject. It's my hope that a teen girl or woman who is in this kind of relationship may read Eve's story and be able to see that fear should not enslave her to her abuser. Elemental Fear is an emotional, dark story, but ends with the light of hope, healing, and freedom. I recommend as a must read.

Some of my Favorite Quotes:

"...you don't want me that way. You mean all this time I've been wooing you and you aren't interested. I've used my best moves on you woman!"

He chuckled "listen, would you be asking these questions if I had a hole instead of a pole?" 'What?"

"You know...have you and he done the horizontal tango, have you ridden the Dominic express, fu--"
"I understand you." I snapped before she continued her tirade.

"Good morning sunshine, it's always such a pleasure to see you." He replied condescendingly.
"Piss off." she snapped stomping up the stairs.
"Such a social butterfly. " He laughed.

My Favorite Eve and Dominic Swoon:

There were no words to describe how delicious his lips felt, I wanted to feel more to taste more and the longer he held me to him the more the urge became uncontrollable. I parted my lips slightly and sucked softly on his lower lip. His hands gripped at my skin, he needed me as much as I needed him. He opened his mouth; I felt his tongue teasing my lips open further. I couldn't resist, I opened taking him in, I tangled my tongue with his, licking, sucking devouring his mouth. I'd never felt this desire before, I felt it everywhere.

Bev says

4 conflicted stars

I'm in a bit of a dilemma with my rating. I loved the story, it was honest, gritty and brutal - the author pulled no punches. Eve endured years of horrific abuse and this is where it gets sticky for me. I get that she was only 16 when Elliot started with his crap so I get that she had no idea how to handle his threats and abuse. But this went on for NINE years!! She still lived with her parents, how in the everloving eff did NO-ONE see what was happening? I get that she was ashamed, terrified and blamed herself for what was happening because she was so brainwashed by the Douche Nozzle that she couldn't speak out, but come on! After nine years someone should have worked out that, as her injuries were at times so horrific, something more than just being clumsy was going on. I'm struggling to overlook that no-one else picked up on what was happening apart from Johan.

That leads me nicely into Johan, every girls needs one of him - what a totally awesome friend he was to her. As a work colleague he was the only one who picked up on what was happening whilst her close family walked around with their heads up their backsides. He totally saved the story.

Dominic - hmmmm I'm a bit apathetic about him. He stood on the sidelines for YEARS, waiting and hoping that Eve would chose him. He really needed to grow a damn pair and claim her years before, brother to Elliot or not. He could see how introverted and afraid of life she was and that she was getting worse, yet. He. Did. Nothing. NOTHING!!! No, see that does not work for me. When I read I want the hero to go all out bat shit

crazy for his girl, even beating his chest roaring "mine" if necessary. Dominic was a girl for a large part of the book, which saddened me. That said, he owned his missing what was going on, and once he woke up he was perfect for Eve, who eventually gets her happy. I love how patient Dominic was with her once the abuse was out in the open, he respected her boundaries, encouraged and coddled her but for me it was a tad bit too late.

I also did not like how the author took the story as regards Elliot. (view spoiler)

There was a fair bit of editing issues, things that should have been picked up but it didn't spoil the read for me. I was sucked in from the prologue and couldn't put it down.

Linda Kage says

This is the kind of story that makes me appreciate my husband for being such a good guy. A lot! A brutal show of just how tragic domestic violence is, Elemental Fear doesn't sugar coat what happens to Eve. Some scenes were just so awful for the poor heroine, I wasn't sure I'd have the stomach to keep reading, but then a Dominic and Eve scene would come in and I kept getting sucked right back into the romance part of the story.

And then there was the suspense of wondering if everything was going to end up happily ever after or heartbreak right up to the very end.

And Johan...happy sigh. Have I mentioned how much I'm in love with Johan yet? Can't believe it wasn't the first thing I said. If he doesn't a get book soon...well he just better get a book soon!! So happy for Ada Frost in completing her debut novel!

Celesha Carillo says

My favourite type of reads other than dark are books that rip out my soul and just leaves it hanging in a dark black hole. Books that leave you an emotional wreck for days, books that break your heart into a million pieces and books that you know will stay with you for LIFE.

So when I picked up Elemental Fear By Ada Frost I knew I had found the book I was looking for, & god she did NOT disappoint. I actually don't know where to start with this review. I'm scared I won't even do the book justice but I'm going to give it a try.

We first meet Eve and Do-nic (Dominic) from the prologue and it was just such a cute little scene, I ended up falling in love with him from then.

So when I started reading the first chapter I realised its nine years later and she ended up with his brother Elliott & I was like WHAT!?!? WHY!!!

Elliott is the most vilest human I have ever read about, what he did to my Eve it will forever haunt me.

The how and why they ended up together was disgusting and evil and any man should die a nasty death for treating a woman like that.

I HATE HIM. I HATE HIM. I HATE HIM.

To be honest hate isn't even a strong enough word to describe what I feel about him. I wish he was alive just so I could stab him repeatedly in his neck and then watch him bleed out, morbid right? Once you've read this book you'll understand why I feel the way I do about him. I HATE HIM. He is pure evil.

My beautiful strong girl Eve no body will ever understand the love I have for her, she was abused mentally and physically and let me say some scenes were so hard to read, they tore your heart out, it was like you wanted to climb into the book and just hold her so fucking tight and not let her go, I swear I needed and wanted to give her all my love & just so show her love is not meant to hurt. Not like that no way.

Some will say why didn't she just get up and leave, don't get me wrong she was offered a olive branch and she didn't take it and at the time even I thought come on Eve BUT I got it.

Until you are in the situation you will NEVER understand the fear they have for their abuser, it's not as easy just to get up and leave like people say, your mind is conditioned to be and act a certain way, it isn't just easy to return back to the woman you was before,

And I'm glad Ada portrayed her that way, you needed to see everything she went through to fully understand why she was the woman she was, and to me she was so damn strong. I most likely would of killed myself before i suffered what she did, so that makes me weak, and My Eve was far from it.

Certain scenes had my eyes pouring with tears, sometimes it wasn't even when the evil came to destroy her, it was just in little things she would say, or even the way she would act had my heart bleeding for her.

There is one scene that will forever live in my mind and I cried for Eve so damn much it was that point you knew he had fully broke her.

Dominic the white prince, the saviour the man you would want for your daughter.

He is the man that your dreams are made up of.

I loved him so much, he was the man Eve should of ALWAYS ended up with, he was her strength when he didn't even realise it, he was her life and soul and it was so damn beautiful to read.

The Princess became lost but her Prince was always waiting for her to become lost with him.

And when they got lost in each other, it was just stunning to read.

I need to talk about my boo Jonah let me take a minute to say he is one in a million he is the man every single girl needs as a best friend.

I LOVE HIM. I LOVE HIM. I LOVE HIM.

What he did for Eve I can't even begin to tell you, but everything he did or said was beautiful. She needed him in her life more than he realised I think.

The last scene had my heart splitting into two, I wanted to wrap him in my arms and tell him everything would be okay. Even though I DIDNT EVEN KNOW MYSELF.

I can't wait to read his book.

Ada had me for a hot second I didn't know what to feel or think I was like no this can not be happening! Ada draws you into the world/life of Eve and sometimes it was hard to read and you just wanted to scream why? The other moments had me giggling, and then you had the moments that filled my heart up with so much love.

I wasn't ready to let Eve go honestly I love her so much.

I'm so happy I picked up this baby, Ada I applaud you lady, you did an amazing job with this book and I can not WAIT to read more from you.

5 Magical Stars.

KC -- Reading Is My Superpower says

I received an advance copy in exchange for an honest review

Warning--this book is not for everyone. There is severe domestic abuse situations that may not sit well with everybody

This book is very different than anything else I have read. It was real, it was raw. It was heart wrenching, but it was true... it was like the author had climbed into the mind of an abuse victim and plucked out all the parts that no one understands. I say that, because everyone thinks that there is no way they would tolerate or put up with this kind of abuse, but, as a survivor of domestic abuse-10 years of it- I can promise you, that even the strongest of woman can be found in a bad situation.

I loathed Elliot-- and I think that was the point. He is cruel, viscous, selfish, controlling, and abusive beyond what most people can comprehend.

Eve is in love with Dominic- Elliots brother. She has been since she was 5 years old. But in a brilliant scheme from Elliot, he convinces Eve that Dominic doesn't want her, and begins to weasel his way in. Before she knows what happened, Eve is living in a nightmare. Emotionally beat down, mentally broken, she goes day to day trying not to upset Elliot. This is where the book was so real. The author was really able to capture the mind of an abused woman. The thought process, the fear, the worry, the constant battle to change and morph into the person they think they need to be. The way they blame themselves and think that if they had only done something different they wouldn't have deserved the beating they had received. It is a twisted reality that they live in.

Dominic loves Eve. He loves her with every ounce of his being. He doesn't want a life that doesn't involve her. And as he sits back and watches from the shadows thinking Eve is happy, he is devastated when he learns the truth.

Once I started reading, I couldn't put it down. I devoured it, and by the end I was emotionally wrung out and totally wrecked. It is an emotional roller coaster that throws you to and fro because there are times you think you know the ending and then you get moved in another direction. Tears were shed, and hope bloomed, as I cheered for Eve to get her HEA. And although this is not a cliffhanger, the author ended it brilliantly set up for another book....

If you are looking for fluff and rainbows, you won't find it here. What you will find is a story that will rock you to your core and captivate you. And I warn you, many of you will not believe that this is real stuff... but I promise you, it's as real as it gets.

Ang -PNR Book Lover Reviews says

I was Honored to read and review Elemental Fear and wow I knuckled threw and was in tears a lot and I'm speechless I honestly couldn't write a review for a few days I needed to think and even then I don't think I'll say the right words now.

****WARNING: CONTAINS SCENES OF VIOLENCE, SEXUAL AND PHYSICAL ASSAULT~May Not be for everyone!****

Wow I'm just speechless its a really sad and Raw Story about Evelyn Beaumont a beautiful, loving Women who has a secret a MASSIVE one and this is her story to share!!

"He chuckled "listen, would you be asking these questions if I had a hole instead of a pole?" 'What?"

I loved Dominic and Johan these two guys made me keep pushing threw the nasty, the Reward at the end was awesome!!

Now I had goosebumps and I had to skim the abuse but other then that it was really good read, I am so honored that I was able to read it, I just wish I had the right words to say.

4 stars Why?? Because it was a little long for me, that the only thing that was standing in my way from a 5 star and the abuse but you have to have that in there for the story to work, im mature enough to understand that now that I've left it for a few days to think on!!

Every one should read this.. It's such a scary and real thing that Happens and we should be aware of it Ada Frost has written it so real and raw that it feels so real and scary.

I thank you Kc for choosing me to read and review this story that took me out of my little happy bubble!!

There were no words to describe how delicious his lips felt, I wanted to feel more to taste more and the longer he held me to him the more the urge became uncontrollable. I parted my lips slightly and sucked softly on his lower lip. His hands gripped at my skin, he needed me as much as I needed him. He opened his mouth; I felt his tongue teasing my lips open further. I couldn't resist, I opened taking him in, I tangled my tongue with his, licking, sucking devouring his mouth. I'd never felt this desire before, I felt it everywhere.

Hazel *Craves the Angst Reviews* says

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I was gifted this eARC from the author in exchange for an honest review.

4 Fearful, Surviving Stars!

Brutal and Heavy! This Story Delves Deep Into the Struggles of Domestic Abuse but Also Shows the Power of Love, Family and Friendships!

The Review:

Elemental Fear was a harrowing story of one woman's strength and determination to overcome the horrific circumstances she fell into. It's not for the weak of heart and there are some very disturbing things that happen to her throughout the story, but I'm so glad I read this one.

As anyone who knows me can attest, I love my angsts. I love a dark story and the bravery that comes from the characters as they fight their way out of their circumstances. They can be broken, shattered and irreparably damaged in the process, but if they come out in the end, stronger, livelier and with full hearts, then I can say the journey was well worth the time spent. This is very much that kind of story.

Story/Characters...

Eve finds her life has totally spiraled out of control and all at the hands of an unstable villain hellbent on destroying her from her very core. Her boyfriend, Elliot, berates her, abuses her, humiliates her, breaks her in every way possible and then blames her for all of it. He's a monster posing as a man who loves her. Through fear, intimidation, threats and outright violence, he's stolen away so much of her self-respect and self-worth and she believes she deserves the anger, hate and abuse he unleashes on her. He's the epitome of evil, covering his weaknesses and hate for himself by disguising it as a morbid, warped form of love. Yeah, I hated Elliot with a bloody passion!

Eve has endured this torture for nine years and she's been twisted to believe it's to keep her family safe. Elliot has talked her down from the beautiful, self assured young woman she was becoming and he's almost taken all her will to fight. But what I loved most about Eve's character was as hard as Elliot tried to completely destroy her, there's still a spark in her crying out for a life and love she thought lost to her. And it was in the form of her best friend, Dominic.

I was captivated by her character and her story. She was easy to relate to as a woman and her story was a familiar one to me so I felt for her and what she was going through. She needed a good support structure to escape the nightmare she was living through and like so many normal families who love and support each other, Eve's didn't realize what was happening until it was almost too late.

Dominic, Elliott's brother and Eve's best friend from childhood, is the light in all the darkness and their friendship and her feelings for him keep Eve going. He is totally swoon worthy with his patience, love and the care he shows Eve after he finds out what's been going on and it's breathtaking. It's just what she needed to show her how wonderful love is supposed to be and what kindness in intimacy should feel like. Not to mention the man is sexy as sin!

She also makes a wonderful friend, Johan, who I simply adored. Johan's experience in this type of situation and their uncomplicated friendship gave her a wise sounding board and a comforting starting point for the help she so desperately needed. I loved him!

From the beginning to the climatic end, this read held a very real and hellish journey for it's characters within the pages and the suffering Eve endures was extreme. I wanted her to speak out and take her power back. I wanted her to break free from that demon-man-child! I wanted her to yell from the top of her lungs that she wasn't going to take it anymore. Elliot's intimidation was ingrained so deep inside her, the fear overpowered her most of the story but this woman is so much stronger than she thought possible. I loved that she held on, just a little bit, even in the darkest of times.

This book was raw and unrestrained and scary and I loved the emotional "feel" I got from it. In fact, when I started it, I couldn't put it down, reading straight through to the end. So many women and children live this stark kind of reality and it's heartbreaking.

As a side note, I also really loved the dialect and the uniquely Yorkshire lingo which was fun to decipher. That grandpa was something else ;)

And that ending?? Totally rocked my world in all it's gut-wrenching emotion, high intensity and courageous wonderment! Such a great read all around.

The Wrap Up:

This is *Ada Frost*'s debut novel and she did an outstanding job bringing Eve's story to life. I enjoyed the writing style and her penchant for angsts was spot on. I can't wait to read Johan's story in the near future. He's got a lot on his mind and I can't wait to see more of his back story.

Jen Wildner says

Wow. Just. Wow. I was looking for an ugly cry book, *Surviving Love* was recommended. I wanted to read book one first. Holy fucking shit! I am terrified, TERRIFIED to read the next book. This book ripped me apart, it made me cry! ME! The ice queen, that's what I call myself. I can count on one hand the books that made me cry like this, so bravo Ms. Frost! I don't even know how to write this review, there's no way I can give this book justice. I can tell you this was one of those books that rips you apart, every word breaking your heart piece by piece. I loved every single word until the end. I was sucked in and could not put this book down until it was over. I felt my heart breaking as read about Eve's life, she is the strongest person ever. She survived so much just to protect the ones she loved. I can't even begin to imagine the hell she lived, the pain she suffered, the heartache at knowing she couldn't have the one she loved most in life. How in the hell someone can put another through the things Elliot did is beyond me. He was sick and twisted and made me want to throw my kindle. I was hoping he'd what was coming to him. How could his brother Dominic be the total opposite? Dominic is the sweetest, caring man and he just wants to take care of Eve, knowing he can't have her because she belongs to his brother. My heart ached for the love Eve had for Dominic but was forced to live a agonizing miserable life. I am still thinking about this book, weeks later. I think I am healed enough to start *Surviving Love*. This book is not for the faint of heart, this book is not a head over heels in love romance story. This book will bring the toughest to their knees, and rip their heart out, repeatedly. This is the kind of book I love, the kind the makes me feel, that can pull me right into the story. Ada did an amazing job with this story, domestic violence isn't pretty and I'm sure it was very hard to write. I can't wait to read more by this amazing author!

Rachel says

[no (hide spoiler)]

Neet says

Bloody hell I don't even know where to start I was shocked during most of it I couldn't imagine being that scared i'll admit I wanted to throw my kindle at the bloody wall because she kept quiet but I loved it.

Michelle says

Copy provided by author in exchange for an honest review

The strike of a hand. A fist to the face. The spewing of hatred and vile words. The fear of a monster. The torment. The abuse. Broken bones. A fractured rib. A slap to the face. A belt whipping across your back. Endless amount of bruises and sexually abuse. For seven years, Evelyn Beaumont lived in her own personal hell. She was trapped and living in fear by a man she once trusted who violated and destroyed her leaving her broken and shattered. Can a woman who has been badly damaged and destroyed find it in herself to escape and face her fears? Will she find the strength to ask for help?

Elemental fear is not a story that is light hearted. This book is raw, intense, dark and raises an awareness on domestic abuse. From an outsider, we can easily say what a person should of done the first time a hand is raised. It is easy to say but sometimes taking that first step is the hardest thing to do. Admitting and screaming to the world that abuse is happening sometimes is hard to do when fear has been implemented. And that's what happened in this book. It is a story of a young woman who wanted to protect her sisters from her boyfriend because she was fearful of what he was capable of doing. She was afraid that he would hurt them so she had to endure the abuse to protect them. While I may not agree with Evelyn's logic, I applaud the author for taking a chance and raising awareness that there are some people who are debilitated by fear. Fear can definitely hold a person back but for Evelyn it took her years to find the strength and courage to fight back.

This book is so graphic and paints a raw portrayal of domestic abuse. While the story is heavily centered on abuse, Ms. Frost was still able to incorporate a love story of a broken woman finding salvation, strength and courage to live through the help of one man's undying love. And this worthy man didn't see a broken, fragile woman but a beautiful woman who is a survivor and fighter. So if you are looking for a book that needs to be heard of a woman's struggle to reclaim her life back, then I would give Elemental Fear a try.

Patrycja says

3.5 stars!

Jenn's Book Obsession says

You fucking gutted me! You ripped my chest open and shredded my heart. I balled my fucking eyes out. I have been dying to read a heart wrenching ugly cry book and many have fallen short. But this fucking book! Gah, THIS BOOK!!!! Ada, you fucking nailed it!!!! I could not tear myself away from this one.

Evelyn Beaumont is a 24 year old woman who tries to live her life as normal looking from the outside but she hides the truth from everyone. She lives her life in fear. She has spent years getting abused physically, mentally and emotionally. My heart broke for Evelyn. She is put through some horrendous abuse at the hands of a man that is supposed to love her.

Her boyfriend, Elliot, is such a disgusting fucker. He is very manipulative and controlling. There are some scenes which may be hard to get through for some. I know I had to take a breather at times because I was crying so hard, sobbing and my vision was tear-blurred. I took a deep breath and dived right back in.

"I walked in the front door humming "we are young" and froze. The blood drained from my face, my heart froze mid-beat, and my ears buzzed as the blood whooshed away. Elliott sat at the dining table, staring at me with a serpent's grin, ready to strike any moment."

This book was so emotionally draining. Ada brings us such an emotional heart touching story. The story line was fantastic, very well written, and draws you in from the very beginning. The characters are very well developed and I loved each of them. Evelyn has a loving family, her parents are so loving and caring, her sisters are absolutely adorable and loveable, and her best friends are amazing. I absolutely love how her friend Johan is flirty, funny, caring, loving and such a great support for Evelyn. And then we have her best friend since she was five years old, Dominic. Oh Dominic! He is the brother of her boyfriend Elliot, but she has been secretly in love with him since she first laid eyes on him. He is so caring, loving, funny, sexy, smart, patient and a really great guy.

"There's sunshine outside of the dark scary cave, Eve, you just have to believe and take that step."

This is a definite MUST read. Make sure to have your tissues handy. It is definitely worth it!!!

Saunders says

The minute she uttered the words "its not your fault, its mine" i knew that I would not continue with this book, The debilitating fear oozing from the FC in this story was overwhelming and I stopped reading at 25%. I couldn't read any further - I would probably blow a gasket!

13 April - well I did finish it with a major blood pressure hike.

Julie Reveles (ILST BLOG) says

Seriously one of the best books I have read this year!!!! Was it hard to read?? Yes! Were there some parts that I wanted to yell and throw my kindle?? Yes!!! Did it bring tears to my eyes??? Absolutely!!! Would I recommend it?? HECK YES!!! This book was so good and so sad! I don't know how she last so long! I loved everyone in it! I just loved Dominic. He was so perfect and so understanding. The things he said just brought me to my knees.....

" I'll be by your side until the time comes until you need me to step aside. I will be there with you to hold your hand and wipe away your tears. I will be there to pick you up when you are too weary to walk, I will be there to comfort you, I will be there to fight the nightmares away, I will remind you how proud of you I am but most of all I will be there to love you....no matter what. I will love you."

Swoon.....

I would give this book more then just 5 stars! I also can not wait to read book 2! I loved Johan!!! Loved his personality and the relationship he had with Eve. I loved that any chance he got he would mess with Dominic when it came to Eve. Always teasing him was hilarious!!! Awesome read!!
