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A tropical beach paradise in Mexico was the last place Georgie Basset expected her decimated heart to be jump-started again, not after she'd been jilted the year before by her fiancé, leading to said breakage. But when she spotted Weston Argent jogging along the beach, all bronzed with ripped muscles like some Greek God out of a modern day Baywatch scene, she nearly choked on her cocktail. She knew immediately she was in trouble, she'd never reacted so strongly to a man on first glance.

However, after a disastrous first date with him, she headed back home to Dilbury, resigned to never seeing him again. That is, until Weston turned up unexpectedly at her dog grooming parlour with Bertie the French bulldog, a species she had a real weakness for. She couldn't help but wonder if fate was playing a helping hand. But each time she saw him, their encounters never went smoothly, resulting in some mortifying and hilarious escapades. Despite their undeniable attraction, there was something about Weston that she couldn't quite put her finger on, something that concerned her.

When the truth finally came to light, Georgie was convinced that all men were dogs, except she knew that was an insult to dogkind. Ever the meddler, her best friend, Abbie, intervened, knowing in her heart that despite what had happened, Weston was full of good intentions, and was undoubtedly Georgie's Prince Charming.

The question remained, could he convince Georgie of that, or would he forever remain in the dog house?

While The Great Escape is a standalone story, it's the second in the Dilbury Village series of romantic comedy novels. All of them will be set in the quaint fictitious English hamlet in the Shropshire countryside, but feature a different village couples' story.

Warning, if you are of a sensitive disposition when it comes to toilet humour, then the Dilbury Village series may not be for you!

The Great Escape Details

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Nicholas~Hayes~Simon~Gianluca & Archer says**

*******FIVE STARS*******

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I'd never had a physical reaction to any man like that, which told me only one thing. A man like that spelled trouble with a capital T for me. If my judgment in men, relationships, and love was already impaired, I stood no chance of retaining any sense of reason around a man who made me dizzy with desire.

It's time to take a trip back to my favorite little town in England called **Dilbury Village**. The quaint and picturesque town along with its inhabitants will endear themselves to your hearts. I feel as if these characters have become some of my closest friends. What I love most of all, even more than the sweet romances, is the bond of true and most loyal friendships that these amazing women share. Romantic comedies are definitely my first loves when it comes to my books and Charlotte Fallowfield's insane brand of humor is what has me addicted to her stories and always leaves me craving for more. I simply can't get enough of this warm-hearted and wildly hilarious series!! I devoured this book and when I finished, I was left feeling the tingly butterflies in my stomach that I get when I absolutely fell in love with the story. Get ready to be swept away by the sweet and touching romance between Georgie Bassett and Weston Argent!

If you read **NEVER THE BRIDE** then you will remember Georgie, the dog groomer who was also Abbie's best friend. Towards the end of that story, they had taken a holiday in the Mayan Riviera as Abbie tried to sort out her feelings for Miller. While on this getaway it was hinted that Georgie might have found a romance of her own. So in book two, the story starts with the two friends embarking on that trip to Mexico. Now we get to witness the romance between Georgie and Weston unfold before our eyes. It's filled with many hilarious and embarrassing moments because of course these women are fated to be thrown into some ridiculously funny situations.

While lounging out in front of their private villa, Georgie happens to see a mouth-wateringly gorgeous man with an insane body, running up the beach almost at the same time about twice a day. She's completely smitten but also extremely shy. She tries to hide her fascination over this man because she's never had luck

with men who get her pulse racing. Georgie gets extremely nervous and tongue tied. Abbie forces her to make her move as their holiday is nearing its end. Luckily when her attempts at flirting with Weston seem to be painfully awkward, Abbie steps in and gets the two to agree on going out to dinner. The date starts off rocky and of course, Georgie encounters a few mishaps which have her convinced that she's a walking disaster but somehow it seems that Weston is very much interested in her as she is in him.

It turns out that Weston lives a few towns over from Georgie and they plan on meeting up once they're both back home, but Weston takes nearly two weeks to give her a call and this has Georgie's deep fears coming to the surface. She had her heartbroken by her last boyfriend when she caught him cheating on her. It's been nearly two years since that relationship ended but it's left a negative impact on her psyche. When she does some soul searching she realizes that what she had with her ex was just comfortable companionship and that the feelings she has for Weston have the potential of being the real thing. He excites her like no other man has before and this scares her because if he breaks her heart she may never recover from it. So Georgie puts up her defenses and lets Weston know that she's not ready for anything serious just yet and that they need to ease into whatever it is that's building between them, at a slow pace.

Things are wonderful between them when they are together but Georgie is bothered deep down by Weston's inability to share everything about his personal life with her. Weston served in the British Army for eleven years and suffers from PTSD. He is unable to open up about what happened while he was in the armed forces and it actually caused the breakup between him and his ex-fiancé. Georgie vows to never push him to share more than he is able to but as time goes on and her heart becomes fully entwined with this man, she starts to slowly resent that she's never met his friends, family, or even seen where he lives. Any woman would start to feel as if maybe the man she loves isn't fully invested in their relationship if they were in Georgie's shoes.

Aside from the angst and ooey gooey hearts and flowers romance in this story, the friendship between these amazing women of Dilbury Village kept me thoroughly entertained and at times howling from belly aching laughter. I want so much for these ladies to be real and to somehow be my friends too!! Georgie may be my favorite heroine so far in this series because she's such a huge dog lover and her bond with the cute little French bulldog, Bertie, just tugged at my heart strings!! She's also such an amazing friend to be there for Abbie during some of her most mortifying moments. I don't know many friends that would be that loyal and caring. This is definitely a series that is equally focused on the friendships as it is on the romances.

If you're in need of a lighthearted and humorous romance, then look no further. Take a trip to Dilbury Village. I guarantee you will be wishing you could move there and live amongst these loveable characters.

THE GREAT ESCAPE releases on August 31st!! One-click it, you won't be disappointed!

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DJ Sakata says

Favorite Quotes:

‘Ok, but in the spirit of honesty, if you keel over, I’m not giving you mouth to mouth. You skipped the last girlie pamper night at Charlie’s and those whiskers on your top lip will give me worse stubble rash than if I’d been kissing Weston vigorously with his five o’clock shadow,’ I teased.

... how I feel about you, is burning me from the inside out.

Greg, I find you, as a human being, so utterly repulsive that the only way I’d be interested in seeing your body is on an autopsy table.

My Review:

My perusal of The Great Escape took twice as long as it should have, only because I kept interrupting myself with giggle-snorts, jovial tears of glee, and outright barking fits of laughter. I strongly advise caution to avoid or limit snacking and libation while reading this delightfully crafted tale, due to a high risk for asphyxiation during sudden fits of mirth. I adored this highly amusing and cleverly written story from beginning to end and would love to visit the cozy little village of Dilbury and spend time with each of these endearingly quirky characters. Weston enticed and intrigued me and I was dying to know what his secret was, although I was also holding my breath for fear of it being totally devastating. Georgie was an adorable hot mess with her tendency to be socially and physically awkward around men she found attractive, she became so flustered with Weston that she rambled on with increasingly random nonsense and her legs and feet lost their purpose. Her near panic attack while riding in the Jeep when she convinced herself that her date was a serial killer who was driving her to her ultimate death had me howling and wiping my eyes. And as an added bonus was the immeasurable enjoyment of the continuing friendships, antics, and encounters with Abbie, Charlie, Daphne, and even the snooty Ms. K, for a side-splitting sequel to turdgate. I will be anxiously awaiting book number three. I fervently wish the supremely talented scribe known as Charlotte Fallowfield could clone herself so she could write twice as fast.

ItaPixie says

This was an enjoyable read,a great escape from real life.

We met Dilbury village and its inhabitants in the firs installment of the series but this story is focused on Georgie...no worries you can read this as a standalone but I strongly suggest you to start from the beginning and meet the funny and adorable Abbie first.

I liked how our heroine doesn't follow the rules her preppy parents made for her but she has the courage to choose what's best for her life.

Georgie and Weston journey starts in a tropical paradise,they were really awkward and after their first date I thought they were doomed but I've really appreciated the tenacity that our Hero shows in order to get our girl.

I've laughed,I've cried and I felt all fuzzy inside reading this novel and I can't wait to read more from Charlotte Fallowfield.

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Keren Hughes says

What do I say about The Great Escape? It's one of those books where you never have enough words or the right words for it.

I'll admit, Charlotte Fallowfield could write a shopping list and I'd be chomping at the bit to read it. She just *that* talented. Being an author myself, I can only dream of being as amazing as she is. She makes me aspire to be better. This woman may not know it, but along with a couple of other über-talented ladies, she inspires me more and more with every book of hers I read. TGE is no different in that respect.

When she brought out her first rom-com, I didn't know what to expect. I p***ed myself laughing frequently. I swear, reading the series could make me need TENA lady.

So imagine how excited I was to realise that The Great Escape was coming out and I would get an ARC of it. I was bouncing off the walls from the second it landed on my kindle.

I tried to read this in one sitting, but I was so dang tired and I didn't want to miss any good bits by reading it in that state. So I actually finished it at 12:30am today. I got to a certain point and couldn't put it down without knowing how it ended.

As always, there was plenty of laughter. But there were also tears. Some of them were tears of happiness, others were of sadness. Whilst the happy ones outweighed the sad, the simple fact is that the sad ones came thick and fast, making it impossible for me to continue reading until I'd dried my eyes and calmed down a bit.

I don't think Charlotte meant for it to be that way, it's just that she has this way with words, with sub-plots and plot-twists, that have me all tangled up in knots. My heart was so invested in the story of Georgie Basset.

I'm not here to tell you all about the story. If you're hoping for spoilers, you'll need to look elsewhere. I just want to say how amazing this book is and that everyone...and I mean EVERYONE should read this book, and this series.

If you want a laugh a minute, this is your book. If you want something to make you melt and swoon, this is your book. If you need a group of good girlfriends who are there for each other through even some of the most disgusting times, then this is your book.

It can be read as a stand alone, but I would suggest reading the previous book first. You'll get to know Abbie and Miller far better that way.

I'm telling you now, if I had a Charlie, Daphne and Abbie in my life, I'd be in need of a constant supply of TENA lady. They are amazing. Especially Daphne, in this particular story.

Seriously, Turdgate: The Sequel... Oh My God!! Hilarious. That's one reason to read the previous book, you won't quite understand Turdgate without it. And believe me, it's something you will want to understand!

If you're looking for something funnier than Bridget Jones and her granny smackers, something that plays out like a movie in your head, then look no further. This is the series for you. (And I hope one day it gets made into a movie of its own because it's far funnier than Bridget, no matter what she gets up to.)

I was in a book funk before my ARC of this came along. I couldn't decide what to read. Too many books, too much choice, and none of them appealed to me in that moment. Then Charlotte's PA announced she'd sent the ARCs and I was on it like a bloodhound on a fresh trail. I needed to know what was happening in Dilbury and there was only one way to find out...dive in head first. Let me tell you, I was not disappointed.

There were many laughs to be had, so many things that you couldn't help but burst into a fit of hysterics like you'd been sucking on laughing gas. There was also a hot AF guy waiting to be discovered... Weston Argent...*swoon* He's hot enough to make your ovaries spontaneously combust as well as your knickers. He's not an open book, he's a man with secrets, but they all cumulate to make him who he is. And I totally adored him, secrets and all.

So if you're looking for something funny, romantic and has the power to transport you elsewhere for a few hours, The Great Escape is for you!

Adriana says

I can't even begin to tell you how good it is to be back in Dilbury, I've waited not so patiently for the next instalment of The Dilbury series and the wait has been worth every single moment. This time we follow villager Georgie who after a heartbreaking split from her spineless fiancé goes on a Mexican escape with her bestie Abbie. Then enters the the stunning man god that is Weston Argent ? as always the hilarity begins as we follow Georgie & Weston and their dating life.....throw in the rest of the Dilbury villagers and a super cute puppy and this is a story you won't want to escape from (my how I've missed Daphne). Another amazing story that I read in one sitting 5 mahoosive stars from me. ❤?

Cara Ross says

Georgie Basset is the fun loving dog groomer of Dilbury, that funny little village on the border of Wales, and if you have read any other Charlotte Fallowfield books, you would have read all about this crazy little village.

But that is not where we begin our journey, nope! We start it in Mexico, where we find Georgie and her best friend Abbie Carter, after Annie fled from Dilbury, after Miller and the cake scandal...and despite Disaster Carter happening EVERYWHERE they go, from being a reject from the blue man group, mauled by a dolphin and being in a resort where everyone thinks you're a lesbian! Georgie finds something more than laughter at the situations they find themselves (or Abbie) in! She also finds Adonis like Weston Argent; retired Captain of Her Majesty's Royal British Army, and current personal trainer.

But after being cheated on by her ex Greg, Georgie is scared to enter a relationship, but she takes that chance, and trusts him....but is she making a big mistake?

OMG this book had me in stitches from the get go! Seriously! Charlotte Fallowfield absolutely kills it in this book! From the beyond ridiculous bad luck, to those cringe-worthy moments we can all relate too! And though I have said in the past that I'm not a rom-com fan! The author has proven me to be a liar, as this book is brilliant.

The plot to *The Great Escape* is light hearted, but in those serious moments, the author manages to change the mood of the book slightly, but doesn't destroy the flow of the storyline. And when it comes to the character's, Well! You love them all! But I think I love Bertie just that little more.

I give *The Great Escape* 5 (thousand) stars! Truly THE book of the summer!

Claire Robinson says

5 - *That wasn't just perfect... It was everything.* Stars!

Charlotte Fallowfield returns to the village of *Dilbury* for the second book in her outrageously funny series, and *The Great Escape* didn't disappoint.

Its LIVE!

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Amazon US - <http://a.co/jefHOjc>

If you haven't read the first book in the series; *Never The Bride* I urge you to do so, although this book can totally be read as a standalone, you are introduced to Georgie and the rest of the secondary characters in this book in it, it also gives you more background on her overall, and part of that book actually runs concurrently with some of this one as well.

Sometimes a girl had to have her priorities right and stand up for the things that made her happy...

Georgie's story much like its predecessor started off a giggle a minute and didn't let up until the end, but it also had its sweet, heartfelt and grab-your-tissues poignant moments too.

After a long period of drought, I was dating and I was in lust. Life suddenly felt good again.

We are once again presented with a hero that you cannot help but fall in love with in Weston Argent, won't

lie his surname is one I didn't love because it reminds me of a certain UK reality star whom I am not a fan of, and for the first half of the book I had trouble shaking his image from my head whenever it was mentioned. However I digress, I still loved him, because once again the author only gives you the bare bones of his background initially to keep you guessing, and as you discover more about him you start to realize what an absolute sweetheart he is being in relation to the lengths he is prepared to go to, in order to keep his relationship with Georgie moving forwards.

He was tender, caring, compassionate, and funny one moment, then withdrawn and distant the next.

I kind of worked out where the conflict was going to come from in the second half pretty early on, and again I'll be honest and say that I don't 100% think the punishment fitted the crime, but that's just me and only my personal opinion. But if a man went to the lengths that Weston did to maintain a relationship with me, I think my initial reaction towards him would have been the same as Georgie's, but I don't think I would have left it the way she did after a certain pivotal moment occurred a little further along in the story. I can however understand why the author took it the direction she did, an again within the bigger picture of their story it didn't massively detract from my enjoyment of the book.

"Trust me, I'm a doggie professional."

I love this author's writing, even with a few minor niggles, her stories are still better than a huge amount of the traditionally published chick-lit books I read nowadays. The stories are always fresh, thoughtful, well planned and entertainingly delivered. You cannot help but like the characters the situations they get themselves in, and the way they dig themselves (sometimes literally) out again, and I am looking forward to seeing what adventures the author gives Charlie in the third book *The Best Medicine* due for release in early 2018.

Village life was certainly never dull.

ARC generously provided by the author, and it was a pleasure to provide the above honest review in exchange.

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**Elle's Book Blog says**

**Release Date:** August 31, 2017

**Genre:** Chick Lit. Humor.

**Actual Rating:** 4 stars

The Great Escape is another laugh out loud novel from Charlotte Fallowfield! While it is part of the Dilbury Village series it can be read as a complete standalone. If you have read the first book; Never the Bride you will recognize some of the same scenes as the books take place around the same time (i.e. turdgate LOL). Anyway, I really enjoyed this one. It's super cute, funny, and features my favorite secondary character from Never the Bride.

Georgie's love life had taken a turn for the worst when she found out her fiance was cheating on her with a local barmaid. So her and her BFF Abbie take a little trip to Mexico to drown their sorrows in booze and sunshine. Who cares if the owners of the hotel believe they are a newly married couple on their honeymoon? And does it really matter that there is an insanely hot guy running past them every day on the beach? Well, I suppose it does because this stranger with his rock hard abs and insanely blue eyes is going to take Georgie on a journey she never expected.

Readers will laugh out loud at Georgie and her friends as they take on life in *The Great Escape*. Readers will get glimpse of Georgie- totally out of her element- as she gets back into the dating scene. There may also be a sequel to "turdgate" for those who know what I'm talking about. In any event, this is a must read and one that will make you scream with laughter! I can't wait for more books in the series to be released!

### **Recommended for Readers of**

- Laugh out loud novels (and I mean in a sense that you will have tears streaming down your face from laughing so hard)
- Chick Lit novels featuring strong female characters who will totally become your personal BFF throughout the novel
- Romantic comedies (those that are focused more on character development but with romance to boost it)
- Dog Lovers

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### **Alison says**

Charlotte Fallowfield is one of my go-to authors when I need a guaranteed laugh. *The Great Escape* is the second in the Dilbury village series, after meeting Abbie in *Never the Bride*, this time we focus on Georgie's story. Don't worry though Abbie is making a full appearance in this one.

Georgie and Abbie are best friends, Georgie is getting over a broken heart after her cheating scumbag boyfriend Greg sullied her impression of men forever. In order to recover the girls go on holiday to Mexico.

The last thing Georgie needs is another man in her life but each day as she is sunning herself a glorious hunk jogs by .. as much as they try to deny it there is something clicking between them. Abbie being her forthright self engineers a meeting and from there the whole will they, won't they escapade begins.

The hilarious moments in this book are way too many to mention, even the most embarrassing situations turn into an opportunity for a giggle. I will never ever look at a jelly teddy sweet again!

I just love the way the village and it's inhabitants are like a family, we meet up with the local residents once more and it feels like going home. The group of friends make a great unit and all support each other.

The chemistry between Georgie and Weston is enough to ignite the pages, she is nervous about trusting him and he obviously has dark hidden secrets which all makes for a great story.

The highlight of the book has to be Bertie the dog, such a cutie and instrumental in the love stakes! I absolutely fell in love with Weston, would be proud to have Georgie and Abbie as friends .. this is fabulous book that will leave such a stupid huge grin on your face for hours. Charlotte has delivered a winner yet again and I can't wait for the next in the series.

I was lucky to be offered an ARC by the author which I read and reviewed voluntarily.

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### **Paula White says**

I was provided with an ARC by the author in exchange for an honest and unbiased review.

I made sure I read the first one of this series before reading this one, but it isn't necessary. However, you will miss out on a great story with a great cast of characters.

This book brings you further in to the world of Dilbury Village, we get to catch up with those that we met in book 1 and some new characters. I will say that I think the humour of this book is quintessentially British and whilst other readers will relish in the humour, not sure all will get it.

I loved the humour and the setting - I could imagine a typical English Village in the country where all the neighbours gossip and know what is going on, where you can leave your door unlocked and all meet down the local for a quick drink on a summers evening.

The main characters in this book are Georgie and Weston - destined to be together but things do not always go as planned, as is generally the way lol! I can't wait to get more on the other characters, especially Charlie, the erotic author (oh and Quinn Miller's sister)!

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### **Laura Nelson (Tangents and Tissues) says**

They say that laughter is the best medicine, and this book was just what the doctor ordered. You know you are in for a doozy of a story when tears of laughter are blinding you by page 8 obscuring your Kindle screen (or your ereader of choice \*winks\*).

*“Chemistry, passion, need, friendship, and love. Every girl deserved to have it all, and not to just settle for old slippers.”*

Unlucky in love Georgie has all but given up on finding her own HEA. Once bitten, twice shy! Especially after all she suffered at the hands of 'He Who Shall Not Be Named' – personally, I can think of a few choice names for that one, but as you all know I'm a lady \*snorts\*

Romance is the last thing on Georgie's mind when she jets off on a girls' holiday with her bestie, Abbie. Yet, she can't help but be drawn to the drool-worthy God-like specimen of a man that runs on the beach each morning. It's been a while since someone of the opposite sex has had the ability to make her hormones sit up and go 'hello!'. And it seems as if his hormones are waving hello back...

Following a very memorable date on said holiday – for all the wrong reasons - the last person Georgie expects to turn up at her doggie salon in Dilbury is Weston, along with the most adorable French Bulldog in tow. As they take tentative steps towards building a relationship together, Georgie can't help but feel that Weston is keeping something from her. For a girl with trust issues, this is a huge red flag.

Once secrets are revealed, can Weston convince Georgie that nothing is insurmountable, and their HEA is

worth fighting for?

*“You’re it, you’re the one that comes along once in a lifetime and I don’t want to lose you.”*

It wouldn’t be Dilbury if there weren’t calamities galore. Chock full of belly-laugh inducing moments, and I’m pleased to report that my gag reflex is still alive and well \*smirks\* Three words – hashtag turdgate two \*shudders\*

But, you want to know what I love most about these stories? It’s the heart the author puts in each one. I love this motley crew of characters – there is nothing they won’t do for each other to ensure they all get the HEA they deserve. Friends truly are the family we choose for ourselves.

Note: Copy kindly received from author in exchange for an honest review.

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### **Erin Lewis says**

star review of The Great Escape (Dilbury Village #2) by Charlotte Fallowfield

This is the second book in Charlotte Fallowfield’s new series and in my opinion she has another winner on her hands. I laughed so much I cried in this book; it was fabulous and I couldn’t put it down. The writing is well executed and the story line thought provoking at times. It was hilarious, sweet, dramatic and honestly one of the best books I have read in this genre in a long time.

Although a stand alone, I do think you would appreciate it more if you read Never The Bride first, just to get a bit of background, however it is not necessary, just a suggestion. After getting to know and love Georgie in book one I was anxious to see what Ms. Fallowfield had in store for her; I was not disappointed.

I loved how Georgie and Weston met and went on “the date from Hell” in Mexico then parted. Georgie is shocked when Weston turns up in Dilbury village, perhaps their date wasn’t as bad as she thought? Georgie is uncertain as to whether she wants to open herself up to potential heartache again; throw in the fact Weston has secrets and you can be sure that this story is full of twists and turns. When all is revealed will Georgie be able to forgive Weston his secrets?

The chemistry between Georgie and Weston was off the charts and their banter amusing. These two had me smiling so much it hurt; add in Georgie’s meddling best friend Abbie whom I came to love in book one and I was happily visualizing being in Shropshire.

The secondary characters in this book made for some cringe worthy moments at times, yet they were so likable and I think most of us could put our own friends or relatives into the characters at times, I know I certainly could. The Great Escape had so many laugh out loud moments that I was in danger of being thought crazy.

I cannot wait to read the next book in this series. Congratulations Ms. Fallowfield you have a winner on your hands.

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## **Lisa (Two Bookish Brits) says**

Oh. My. Gosh. I don't even know where to begin with this review. Charlotte has gone and left me speechless with another flawless book that will make you laugh so hard you'll cry, seriously it's THAT funny!

### ***ARC received in exchange for an honest review***

The Great Escape is the Second book in the Dilbury Village series and focuses on Georgie and Weston.

**\*This took me forever to write btw, I kept getting distracted from remembering parts of the book and laughing.\***

Georgie has a hard time letting go her past, her ex cheated on her with a barmaid at her local and she's found it hard to trust any man that's paid any attention to her so when her eyes land upon a handsome hunk whilst sunning it up on Holiday with her bestie, Georgie does what she does best when she's attracted to a hot male, she mumbles about random shit and it's the funniest encounter you'll ever read about.

Weston is a private man, he doesn't like to share his life and what happened to him with anyone so he keeps it a secret from anyone too afraid to love from the fear of his secrets pushing them away but when his eyes land upon the most beautiful woman he's ever seen he knows he's got to have her and from there starts the beginning of their journey and boy is that journey packed with random and funny shit (literally shit involved #Turdgate)

Reading Georgie and Weston's journey has been one of my favourite things, they're so perfect together but neither seem to see it and it's frustrating, after an accident everything becomes clear to them and when they eventually realise it, it's absolutely beautiful.

Abbie, oh my god Abbie. She never, EVER fails to make me laugh that poor girl. I was literally sat here in stitches howling with laughter, she can never catch a break that one, it's absolutely hilarious. One thing that makes me smile more than anything is the loyalty Georgie and Abbie have towards each other. Their friendship is absolutely beautiful and something every girl should have.

Bertie is absolutely adorable, I loved that he was a main part of this story, I want my very own Bertie but nothing makes me happier than the mention of beagles, as you know they're my absolute favourite haha.

This whole storyline was absolutely fantastic, Charlotte did incredible again, her writing always captures me and holds me hostage until the very last page and even then I'm left thinking about how perfect everything was. She truly is an incredible woman with incredible books, I'd definitely recommend anyone to read any of her books, you won't be disappointed. I once again wish I could leave a higher rating than a five star because this one deserves it and more. Great job Charlotte.

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## **Nicola says**

Charlotte Fallowfield has been one of this years welcome discoveries for me and after loving *Never the Bride* and falling in love with Dilbury and its quirky loveable residents, I couldn't wait to return.

Centralising around Georgie Basset, the village dog groomer, and Weston Argent, a gorgeous and fairly closed off ex-army Captain, *The Great Escape* brings disastrous first dates, a cute puppy and plenty of humour. And as they get to know one another, they create everything from hilarity to heartache.

***"A whole year of dating and I feel like I hardly know you."***

I have to be honest though in that as much as I loved Weston and Georgie, something was missing and that was largely down to the jumps forward in time that came with each chapter. In comparison to its predecessor, they were more apparent with some important moments feeling underplayed and a bit rushed as we were picked up and dropped weeks or months down the line at points which seemed to be heading into something bigger and of consequence, and I did feel a smidgen deflated on occasion.

***"Captain Argent doesn't try. He makes a plan. He commits to it. And he succeeds."***

But that's not to say I didn't enjoy this, I really did, I loved Weston and Georgie together and as their romance progressed I cheered them on whilst having a damn good giggle along the way; it's simply a case that I think they deserved more on occasion. In the grand scheme of things it's minor and you can't take away the fact that Charlotte creates fabulous characters whose romps are a perfect blend of comical and heartfelt, and whilst *The Great Escape* didn't quite match the heights of *Never the Bride*, I still can't wait for my next trip to Dilbury.

***"No one could ever accuse Dilbury of being dull."***

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### **Charlotte Fallowfield says**

I so enjoyed writing this second in the Dilbury Village series. This story is Georgie's, and while she might not be as outrageous, or unfortunate, as Abbie from Never The Bride, I hope you'll agree that it's packed full of romance, drama and humour. Most of all I hope that it makes you fall even more in love with the village of Dilbury and its inhabitants and crave more from them. I can't wait to get cracking on writing Charlie's story, *The Best Medicine*.

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