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*He's a damaged soul living on the edge and it's her job to keep him in line...*

**He'll break all the rules to keep the last promise to his best friend.**

Commander Ryan Tyler is a true American hero--a former Navy SEAL and the man who saved the International Space Station. Yet he couldn't save the best friend who died in his place. Fallout from that tragic accident thrust Ty into a dark and dangerous lifestyle, but when he's given the unexpected chance to fly again, he grabs it.

Gray Barrett never imagined that her dream job as a flight psychologist would depend upon keeping an astronaut-gone-wild on the straight and narrow. Yet here she is, babysitting the gorgeous and insufferably cocky Ryan Tyler. Everything hangs on his ability to maintain a new image for the public eye to make up for past sins. But as they spend time together, she's drawn to the shattered man who refuses to let anyone through the impenetrable façade he's built around himself.

**Their goals are firmly in place and almost within grasp. The only thing that could screw it up is falling in love.**

*High Risk is part 1 in Ryan & Gray's duet. Their HEA is in book 2, High Reward.*

## High Risk Details

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# From Reader Review High Risk for online ebook

## Sweet Spot Sisterhood Book Lover's Blog says

An absolute must-read! I love this storyline... the broken, suffering astronaut hero, the young psychologist trying to fulfill her dream... Ryan and Gray (short for Gracie) seem meant for each other. However, there are many difficulties, peer dynamics, and even ultimatums that lie in their midst that make this a challenge. I'm left teetering on the edge to see what lies ahead for Ryan and Gray, and what choices will be made that will change their future.

reviewed by Sweet Spot Sisterhood

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## Scandal (Scandalicious Book Reviews) says

Everyone loves a hot astronaut! Check out Carmela's full review on Scandalicious Book Reviews:

<http://bit.ly/2Ow0vUR>

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## Brenna Aubrey says

**High Risk**, the first book in Ryan & Gray's Duet, is AVAILABLE NOW!

Purchase links: <http://www.brennaaubrey.net/books/hig...>

**High Reward**, book 2, is due to be released **December 6, 2018**

Last teaser: "**That Kiss**"

**CLICK HERE** to read an excerpt, introducing Ryan & Gray. *Off the charts chemistry.*

3rd Teaser: "**Glacier & Mountain**"

2nd Teaser: "**Awaken Her**"

First Teaser!! "**American Hero**"

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## **Pamela Lilley says**

I loved the synopsis for this book and I really felt for Ryan, he was an emotional wreck, with so many issues. Issues he was not willing to share with psychologist Gray Barrett, a true wolf in sheep's clothing, not quite the walkover she could have been. Strong hearted (in so many ways), I loved her. I loved her honesty, and I loved her strength. Ryan too, saw all her plus points, and used them to his advantage (not in a cruel way I might add). Although it took me quite a few chapters to feel invested in Ryan, Gray, and their "relationship", I was eventually hooked, getting excited for their happy ever after. I should have done my homework a bit more though, it's book 1 of a duet, a cliffie no less. It would appear I'm going to have to wait a few more weeks for what I'm hoping will be their HEA, because honestly, they both deserve it. Excellent writing and an interesting storyline. I received an advanced copy of this book from the publisher via NetGalley. This is my honest opinion.

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## **Naomi says**

"Houston we have a problem..." I really need book 2! We are left with a cliff hanger, but that is part of the excitement. I love how Brenna Aubrey writes strong nerdy women, and who can not love a cocky but wounded astro-hottie! I'm a total space nerd, so Ryan gave me all the feels! The sexual tension between him and Gray ignited the pages! I really hope in book 2 we get more of Pari and Gray's friendship. I love the bond they have, and get a good laugh when Pari shows up. I can't wait till book 2 comes out, it is definitely on my next read list!

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## **Anne Milne says**

This is the first book in a duet and it's a book I would happily recommend. I've read lots of military books but this is the first astronaut story one and what a refreshing change. With no warning chapter one threw me into a tailspin, I had chills as I read.

I adored Gray so much she is such a strong warm loving character who despite everything in her life is a fighter. If you could look in Ryan's eyes you would see a tortured man guilt and duty are eating him alive. The fragile trust in their relationship grows stronger the more time they signs together. The sexual tension is palpable who could resist?

The story has it all danger excitement angst and it's a duet so prepare for a killer hangover.

reviewed by Sweet Spot Sisterhood

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## **Anastasia says**

Whatever you're doing, stop and read this book RIGHT NOW!

High Risk is the latest from the brilliant mind of Brenna Aubrey and I think she gets better with each book. These characters have the depth and development I've come to expect from Ms Aubrey and their story captivated from the very first page.

High Risk has it all - hot astronauts, a sassy heroine, a healthy dose of angst, and a unique storyline - what's not to love?! Do yourself a favour and get this book now!

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## **Karen says**

**Disclaimer: I received this book as an ARC from the author in return for my honest review...**

Brenna delivered yet another gem with this book. The way she writes her characters makes it so easy to relate to. Each of her characters are scarred/flawed in some manner. She doesn't try to make her characters sound like they lived the most idyllic life. I love that about her writing. The research she puts into her writing makes the story even more relatable. Brenna has never disappointed me, and honestly, I doubt she *ever* could.

Ty is a scarred man in so many ways. He uses whatever means possible to crown out those evil internal dialog that haunts him following the death of his best friend. Gray, being someone who has been through hell and back since she was born. She doesn't let that effect her sheer determination to do her best in everything she puts her mind to.

Do yourself a favor and read this story, and just think, in December 2018, part 2 is coming out. I am already counting down the days!

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## **Sammi Dyer says**

Another great read by Brenna Aubrey. She has a way of wrapping you up nice and tight with her storyline. The chemistry Between Ryan and Gray was fantastic and will be carried on in the next book, which I'm so out of this world excited about. I can't wait to see what is next and highly recommend reading this book.

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## **? Jeri's Book Attic ? the Romance Bibliophile ? says**

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## **Kelly says**

When I heard Brenna Aubrey was not only working on a new book but a new series, I got a tad excited. I love her words so much. She always brings the feels with a fantastic amount of geeky goodness - my favourite thing. When I heard the story was going to be about an astronaut I thought, 'whoa, okay, this is different. Different from what I've read from her in the past, and different from anything I've really read.' Brenna does not disappoint, and although this is a duet, the book ends on a happy for now. So, I wasn't kicking and screaming that I have to wait two months for the next book. This book is written beautifully, I can totally understand the need for a duet, I don't think one book would have done this story and this couple justice. Having it split over two gave the story time to develop organically and I just love that. And, I'm not usually a duet fan - mainly because they're usually the size of one book split into two, not the case here, this is a full length, in fact, it's almost double the size of some full length novels so you're definitely getting your money's worth with this bad boy.

The characters are always an integral part of the story and they really are an interesting mix. They had me cursing, and swooning, and laughing. Maybe, some throat punching too. Commander Ryan Tyler has had it rough the past year, so his behaviour is understandable, he's hurting, and he's trying his best to keep a promise he made, he'll do whatever it takes. I don't think he ever envisioned Gray, but, she's just what he needs. He's a cocky arse and I just adore him because he's really a sweet guy. He cares and his pain is palpable. I may have shed a tear or two for him. I was also swooning hard for this guy. His term of endearment for Gray was pure perfection.

When we first met Gray Barrett I have to admit I wasn't her biggest fan, she says something that had me sitting up and saying, 'what the heck? Hell no, she did not!' However, not long after, I warmed to her and by the end, I was in love with this girl. She is smart and funny, and charming, no wonder Ryan falls for her. Heck, I was falling with him. She's incredibly strong - I should have known, Brenna is the queen of strong heroines. I was definitely kept guessing about her past for a while there. Their chemistry is explosive. You could almost feel the sexual tension leaking off the page. And when they finally give in to their desire? Oh. My. Word. Talk about out of this world. It was Kindle melting hot. There is one character that I disliked from the beginning, and by the end, I actually hated him, the things he said, no freaking way, I don't care about his reasons, not cool. I wanted to punch him in the throat. I loved Gray and Pari's friendship, it was fun yet sweet. When we were first introduced to Keely, I thought I was going to dislike her, but, actually, she seemed nice - but, whether that changes in book two remains to be seen. Ryan's teammates are interesting and I'm hoping they each get stories too. I may have my eye on Noah.

One of the things I loved about this book was the space aspect, you can tell that the author has a passion for the subject and did the research and it stands out. The fact that the details were explained, but not overly so was perfect. It's difficult to find that balance, but, I think Brenna does a stunning job of it. I am going to be all over this series. I need ALL the stories. Brenna never ceases to amaze me with her skill for drawing the reader in and submerging them in the world she has created. Making them fall for characters and even change their mind about them. This is a book not to be missed. Make sure you pick up your copy asap.

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## **S Knoell says**

I've always been a fan of Brenna Aubrey's writing and this book certainly did not let me down. It's a whole new series for her with a focus on the space program. What I love about this books is that it is so different

than so many of the romance books out there. Her characters are very real. Full of flaws, imperfections and hang ups which make them completely relatable and human. Ryan and Gray are opposites in many ways but very much alike in others and together they just make sense. The writing is flawless and you get some really interesting supporting characters that we can hope get their own story someday. The whole space premise is a new spin and the first chapter just sucks you in and leaves you wanting to read more. Definitely worth a read.

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### **Jess says**

This is a weirdly descriptive book (I don't visualize and I kept bumping on all of the descriptions) and it ends on a cliffhanger where the heroine's father has threatened the hero to stay away and that irritates me so much that I can't imagine reading the second book in the duology. Just a super bad trope for me.

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### **Stacey Timmons says**

Oh my freaking god!! I loved this book. I couldn't get enough of Ryan and Gray. The feels I had while reading this book was ridiculous. Especially for Ryan. My god he's had a very tough year! And Gray? Well she has had a tough life. But she's come out stronger than ever.

Brenna had me at the first chapter and that chapter was devastating. Man, I had tears in my eyes and that doesn't happen often. So, well done, Brenna.

I loved the chemistry between Gray and Ryan. I loved the fact that she didn't take any messing from him. But she also has a very great understanding of what Ryan feels and what he needs, even before he does.

I can't wait to read the next book to see where this goes. And all the little bits in between.

It does end in a cliffhanger so if that is not your thing, wait until the second book is released. But I think you should read this book now and maybe a couple of times more until the second book is released. You won't be disappointed. I have to say towards the end, I really didn't like Gray's father and what he said to Ryan. It's Gray's life, let her live it and determine whether or not she's made a mistake herself. (I totally don't think she has)

I just want to gush loads about this book but it will just spoil it, so read it and enjoy!!!

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### **Shelley says**

This is the first book in the Point of No Return Duet. It can be read as a standalone, with a happy for now except this problem cliffhanger that will make you want to read book two, High Reward, released December 6, 2018.

The story opens introducing our hero, Ryan Tyler, American Astronaut on his mission aboard the International Space Station with 5 other astronauts and cosmonauts. He is left making a life altering decision for the greater good by his command. Back on Earth, he can't find peace with himself and starts down a dark

road of alcohol and women for comfort from his demons. NASA has had him on a talk circuit, but they just handed him his walking papers. His only shot at returning to space is XVenture, a privately funded company, that has been working in low orbit payloads and now wants to expand into human space exploration, if they can just get the financial backing.

This is where our brilliant, somewhat geeky, sassy heroine, Gray Barrett, enters the picture. She is almost done with her PhD in psychology with an emphasis on flight psychology. She is the only child of one of the uber wealthy investors being wooed by XVenture. His demand? Keep Ryan "Ty" Tyler on the straight and narrow for the next few months until the test flight and he will back XVenture, allowing Gray to keep her dream job.

The two are unwillingly thrown together and try to make the most of it. Ryan and Gray's chemistry starts as a slow burn but rapidly hits rocket fuel incendiary heat levels. They are the perfect combination of reluctant damaged and hopeful promise. Along their journey, they become critically important to each other. Time will tell if their new feelings and relationship can stand the challenges about to be put before them.

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