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Dezarae Kerry had no time for men in her life. She was busy enough with her work, restoring old cars to their former glory. All that changed the wintry night she found a handsome Caucasian stranger along side the road and took him to her home.

Ross Connelly didn't know who he was. The beautiful curvaceous ebony woman who had undressed him and put him in her bed didn't know who he was either.

Struggling to regain his memory, Ross has a fight to hold onto the woman who had saved his life once that is accomplished.

The fact he is a SEAL, his appalling ex-wife, a friendless and despondent child are a few of the obstacles they must overcome to be together.

Dezarae tries to maintain her distance Ross is determined to make her understand that she is his heart, she is his soul. She is...

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Alicia Pressey says

Great Series

This series keeps getting better and better I love this series minus book 2 i will definitely recommend this series

Deloris says

I just Finished this book I loved it . Ross and Dez were a wonderful couple who saved each other . This was a romantic sexy story.

mw138 says

2.5 stars

Dezarae Kerry stumbles upon Navy SEAL Ross Connelly, who is suffering memory loss after being in a bad car accident. She takes Ross back to her home and takes care of him until he is well. As the two people learn more about one another they develop strong feelings, but unexpected responsibilities and doubts threaten to tear them apart.

I liked this book slightly better than the last in the series, Harrier's Healer, but noticed the same things happening. A strong Navy SEAL falls head over heels for a woman and she does everything within her power to screw it up. All of the doubts Dezarae possessed grated my nerves. No matter how many times Ross told her he loved her, she would act like it was nothing or he was lying. However, in her thoughts, she practically screamed how much she loved the man and wished he would marry her. I found this behavior exhausting and, like the last book, hoped the hero would just stop pursuing someone who doesn't know how to express her feelings and move on with his life. Love shouldn't be this hard and aggravating.

The other thing that really stuck out to me was the number of men in Dezarae's life. Outside of her relationship with Ross, Dezarae seemed like a pretty cool person, but *every* man in her life was in love with her. If they didn't want to marry her, they were showering her with kisses and telling her how much they loved her. I started to feel the hint of a 'Mary Sue' situation. Not only were all of these men, from the Sheriff's son to random clients, madly in love with Dezarae, but they were all incredibly good looking. I guess this was a way for Ross to show his possessiveness and jealousy, but it was a little excessive.

All in all, this book was okay, but I don't think I'll be reading the other books in the Megalodon Team series. The Team members are great, passionate men, but the female leads are too frustrating, annoying and seemingly stupid, especially when it comes to love.

Elise-Pinterest+Goodreads=The Perfect Book Boyfriend says

I am about 5 pages into the book and already I'm annoyed!!! You DO NOT MOVE AN ACCIDENT VICTIM!!! SPINAL PRECAUTIONS!!!! Sometimes it sucks to be a nurse. You cannot ignore the ridiculous medical things in books!!! SPINAL CORD INJURY PEOPLE!!!! Ugh!!

Tracy says

I have read almost all of Aliyah Burke's Megalodon Team books, and this was my favorite out of them all! I loved how Dez and Ross met under such tragic, yet romantic circumstances; he an accident victim suffering from amnesia, and she an unlikely rescuer who restores old cars to their former glory. I loved how this beautiful interracial love story focused on Ross' need and desire to love Dezarae, and the lengths he took to achieve that love from her. Not to mention how well his precocious daughter was weaved into the fold. The characters were both lovable and infuriating at times (Dezarae's constant need to push Ross away) but the overall story worked. As with the books in this series, the handsome Alpha Navy SEAL always got his woman!!!!

Genney Blass says

4.5 stars. This book had made me happy, sad and angry. How can a mother, does not want her child. What pissed me off! Connelly ex wife told Ross that he would give him the daughter for the price of \$250,000. WTF, oh I was livid. Oh but Desarea, what a heart she has it was gold, from saving him to saving his daughter, was beautiful. That girl had a good head on her shoulders. It was so cute how they interact with each other while his daughter was around, how she finally told him she was in love with him and she had forgive him. Bravo!

Elizabeth says

Can't get enough!

Paganalexandria says

Dezarae meets Ross after saving him on the side of the road after an accident. There is chemistry but he is missing gaps in his memory due to his injuries.

I started out liking this book, but became bored by the end. I get annoyed with heroines that spend the whole book questioning the heroes motives for being attracted to her. This is especially annoying, if every male in her vicinity is jumping through hoops to curry her favor.

Davina says

I liked it, didn't love it. I liked that the heroine was strong but I felt she was a bit too hard on hero at times. Worth a read.

Danielle The Book Huntress (Back to the Books) says

Finally, I've started this series. I am smacking my head and asking what took me so long. Navy SEALs, interracial. Am I crazy? Well, I have rectified my mistake, and I am a happy camper.

This was a really good book. Aliyah Burke is an excellent writer. Her voice is authentic and polished to the eyes, making for an enjoyable reading experience. Her characters are real life and likable, flaws and all. I loved Dezarae. She was unique and interesting. Her ethnicity was a part of who she was, but she was in no way a stereotype. I liked that she was normal-sized with muscles from the physical work she did, and she was sexy with it. I loved her independence and the fact that she was good at doing something she loved--restoring cars. I've never been into cars, but movies like *Gone in 60 Seconds*, *XXX*, and the *Fast and the Furious* movies have pricked my interest. I recognized the Shelby from *Gone in 60 Seconds*, which was awesome. I seriously love a heroine who has her own life going on, but at the same time, she's open and warm. Dezarae opened her heart and her life to Ross in two huge ways: she saved his life, and she gave his daughter a safe, warm home. How could you not love her? Another thing I loved about this book was how many male friends she had (and no, not in dirty-minded way). I like to see women having male friends and being able to fit into that world easily because of their mutual interests. They respected her for her personality and her car savvy. They accepted her for who she was and she was happy in her own skin. People do want to be around you when you are confident and outgoing, so it makes total sense. It makes me wonder if I need to get into this kind of hobby so I meet more guys (I'm kidding, mostly)! Too bad I don't have a bit of mechanical car sense other than how not to get ripped off by car mechanics! Anyway, Dezarae had wonderful texture and I loved her as a heroine. I would have loved to understand why she had trouble believing Ross really loved her. I'm guessing it had something to do with her failed relationship with Jack, but this isn't explained. Maybe the fear of loss from her father dying...

Ross was not only deliciously hot, he was a genuinely nice guy. He cracked me up with his possessive jealousy. I like that in a hero, and I like that he wasn't too irrational about it. He had to deal with the fact that his woman was the kind of woman that men liked being around, even on a platonic basis. For all of that, he didn't try to change her or mold her to fit his preconceived notions. He really found her sexy for who she was. I think he was a very good dad, and I liked seeing him with his daughter Charmane (and I feel her part added significantly to the book, and she wasn't just a plot point), and how natural it felt for them as a family with Dezarae. He did have some insecurities about being low on the totem pole in his Team, but he wasn't aggravating about it. Towards the end, he was tripping out some, but I forgive him!

As far as romance rating, I rate this high. It's very steamy and that was great. Burke writes great love scenes: hot and sensual without being a turnoff because of the raunch factor. The steam shows the feelings and the growing love between Dezarae and Ross. You could see although there was intense chemistry between them from the beginning, they don't jump right into bed, which was great. They give their feelings time to be real and not just about sex. And when they do get intimate, it's so much better!

I can tell that Burke does have some real-life understanding of the military. She writes a sexy, credible Navy SEAL hottie hero, but it feels realistic and deals with the hard realities of that life. I loved the friendship between Ross and his Team, and how they open up ranks around his new-found love. Although I haven't read the first two books, seeing the couples from those makes me eager to read them very soon. Of course, I will make sure I get all the books in this series (I think I have most of them already), because I definitely want to read more of SEAL Team Megalodon and the women they love.

I guess I'll have to give this five stars, 'cause I really liked it a lot!

Layla says

i enjoyed the story. although the dialogue was a bit cheesy it certainly wasn't the worst i've read just this week. and i wasn't a huge fan of Dez. i just couldn't understand all the kisses she gave her male friends. it was like she wasn't even aware she was in a relationship sometimes. now im no prude but at some point it was like, okay, i get it; there are other men interested in her. it didn't seem to fit the "safe and pure girl from a small town" vibe i got from reading the first few chapters with over-protective Dale.

typed on my nook

A.W. says

AWESOME READ!!!! The Entire Series Is A Great Recommend To Anyone Looking for Romance, Passion, Spice, Excitement, Action, And Ofcourse Love All Rolled Into One. I've Read Each One More Than Twice And Each Time Reading Was Like The First.

Camylle says

Love this series!!

Leslie says

This book had such a good baseline to it. I was very excited to read it.

It fell flat.... in a lot of places. So many things happened in the story that was not explained at all with the female lead. Like why did she just out of the blue start calling him a name that just happened to be his nickname. Why did she just randomly have a friend who pops up and tells her he will add 1200 sq ft to her house....no explanation.

Also the female lead was such a light and happy character, I loved that about her but she had such a good support system in her friends and community but why did she have trust issues bad? That was never even explained.

There was just a lot of little things like that, that made the story fall in the telling of it.

I was ok with the quick romance but they literally started having sexual feeling for each other about 1 hour after she found him dying in the snow.... that was just a little much.

Yvonne says

LOVED THE STORT

I loved Ross and Dezarae story. This was good love story between these too people,I loved Charmane very wise for her age. It was good to see all the team mate again as well as Lexi. I am so looking forward to reading the rest of the teams story. I love reading Aliyah's books they are really good reads. I would definitely recommend this book to anyone. Thank you Aliyah please keep writing these great stories.
