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Sebastian Baas is at a crossroads. After a near brush with death left them both reeling, he is determined to rebuild the life he's created with Taylor. He burns for revenge, but settling that score won't be easy. Betrayal runs rampant behind the scenes of the lethal SKALS organization. His life was traded for secrets. Greed and ambition have rocked his team to its core and, once that web of deceit starts to unravel, Sebastian is no longer certain where he can turn.

Marx is coming down hard. One by one, his teammates are starting to shatter. Cases run cold and the dreaded reconditioning cells grow full. New threats are emerging and, this time, they are powerful enough to bring SKALS and the men behind it crashing to their knees.

As the pressures at work increase, Sebastian finds himself locked in a bitter struggle—trapped between self and duty, survival or love. No longer able to ride the fine line between the two, he has to make a decision once and for all: lose what's left of his humanity or find a way to save himself and the people he loves.

Either way, Sebastian and Taylor are about to begin the fight of their life. Take SKALS or leave it: once that decision is made, there is no turning back...

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From Reader Review Edge of Obsession for online ebook

♥Trish♥ says

This is one of the best series I've ever read. Yes, it's brutal and sometimes tough to take but my Lord, the story is so gripping you just have to keep reading!

This is the continuing story of Sebastian and Tay, how they are coping after book 2, what Sebby will do to keep his family safe not only from the enemy but now his own team. He wants to be happy and build a life with Taylor..Will Marx let it happen? Will anyone survive the upheaval?

It's so hard to say what's actually going to happen, but the way Adri has set this book up we are in for a hell of a battle in book 4!!! CAN'T WAIT!!

"Welcome to SKALS. I suggest you strap yourself in, cupcake. You just entered the ninth circle of hell." ... no truer words!

**Please know, you need a pretty strong resolve for this series. Not all will be able to handle it. Please be fair to the wonderful author and don't read/review if the dark and twisted are not in your reading likes.

Georgia ♥ Team Dex ♥ says

Dark, Twisted, Obsessed and Passionate Stars

"Welcome to SKALS. I suggest you strap yourself in, cupcake. You just entered the ninth circle of hell."

The 3rd installment in the addictive Skals series by the evil genius that is Adriana Noir, picks up the pace from the end of the 2nd book and raises it up a notch. In a breathtaking and heartbreaking ride we witness the train wreck of Sebastian & Taylor's lives as they love the only way they know, obsessively and possessively, as danger stalks them and enemies lurk in every corner.

"I always knew there was a chance my career could come back to bite me one day. I warned you there was a possibility, but I also swore to protect you, Taylor. I gave you my word. A man is nothing if he doesn't keep his word, and I failed you."

Sebastian is once again at crossroads. His job threatens the one thing he holds dear and swore to protect. Taylor. She is his to love, to protect, to discipline and keep in line. No one will harm her and live. And Agent Baas always holds his promises...

I can't even start to describe the level of my insanity... Because I am definitely insane to adore Sebastian!

Cruel and abuse, yet caring and protective he managed to brainwash me along with Taylor and make me crave for his praise and touch. HOLY FREAKING HELL I AM CONDITIONED!

The worst thing?

Sebby and Taylor share once again a twisted and toxic relationship that makes sense and for me is a facade for deep emotions. Broken and abused Seb holds the reins with absolute control and he won't allow slips and errors.

“You seem to move quite well considering how often you keep edging your toes up to the line. Do you need a reminder of what happens when you decide to cross it?”

“Til’ death do us part?” His handsome face softened beneath a warm smile. “Even then, I will find a way to be with you, darling. It’s always going to be you and me, Taylor. Always.”

Sorry... those are mine.

Andriana Noir weaves a complex tale of family loyalty, love and secret agencies. Complex, multidimensional characters that stay true to themselves and they scare you with their intensity. Emotional and suspenseful, darkly erotic and arousing this book is for me the best so far.

You will be drawn like a moth to the flame until the heart-stopping finale and..... PLEASE, WHEN IS THE NEXT ONE OUT????

Hey, what are you doing still, here??? Go start this series NOW!!

Silvana says

Sebastian let me start this by saying.....

Yup dinner at your place isn't something I will be attending anytime soon!

Lately I have been starting sequels by not expecting much!

HOWEVER THANK GOD FOR ADRIANA NOIR and her not turning Sebastian into all hearts and flowers kind of guy, as opposed to what we have seen of him in the first two books. It seems the norm lately to completely turn the male lead into a sniveling pussy-whipped character, yes I want him to love, protect and be loyal to the female lead but he doesn't need to lose any semblance of manhood in the process!

This book had me swooning one minute and horrified the next, this was exactly my reaction throughout but I'm not as cute!

Sebastian is so REAL, his actions and thoughts are exactly what we would and should expect from someone in his position. I love his flaws and vices which he is trying to change for the sake of his and Taylor's relationship. There is still cruelty in him that scares me but also a willingness to transform into the man Taylor needs.

TAYLOR I LOVED in this one!! Well all I can say she loves Sebby despite everything, she is loyal to him and determined to stay which is for the best as we know she cannot leave. I see growth and maturity in their relationship and would love to see what book 4 brings for the both of them!

On the SKALS front, things are not really going as Seb would want, he lost trust even in his closest allies, THERE ARE SOME REAL MESSED UP CHARACTERS IN THIS ONE THAT MAKE SEBBY LOOK LIKE A SAINT . CANNOT WAIT TO SEE WHAT HAPPENS NEXT.

So glad there is fourth book yay...

5 GIVE ME THE FOURTH BOOK NOW STARS!!

Adriana Noir says

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Chandra says

Story Rating 4.5 Stars

Character Rating 4 Stars

Romance Rating 4 Stars

Heat Level 5 Stars

Overall Rating 4.5 Stars

Welcome back my controlling, abusive, addictive, protective, crazy, sexy, Sebastian!

I missed you last book. But, you came back...

And it was **AMAZING!**

I rated the last book 3-stars, because I didn't like the changes made to Sebastian's personality. I get it that he fell in love, but BAH! Don't take away what made him so great in the first book. He was a watered down version of himself, and me no likey.

Needless to say, I was **VERY** happy to have him back in this book, and his dominant personality was on steroids. I *loved* it!

What I *didn't* like...

Irene...she was the worst!

I hated her. And her rudeness, and the way she talked, and how she was just nasty.

I've hated her every since she was introduced as Taylor's friend.

And, I hate Taylor for still hanging out with her. Sebastian **clearly** didn't like her, yet she still always wanted to have her around.

I don't get it. She was gross.

What I *did* like...

Sebastian! As always.

I loved him in the first book. Thought he got soft in the second book. And came back with a vengeance in this book. He **finally** starting putting Taylor back in her place. *Boooooo, Taylor* In his crazy, anti-hero, beast-mode way...

He is on to the things going on at SKALs (view spoiler).

There was loads of sexy-time!

And, yippie! Irene (view spoiler)

Crazy? Yes.

Warranted? Totally.

How happy am I? **Ecstatic!**

It was all just peachy.

I cannot **WAIT** for the next book.

Here is my casting for Sebastian...

Lady Vigilante (Feifei) says

Finally, there are some answers!!!! Crossing fingers that book 4 will be released soon! irehgerjf;slfkjdfklsfk

Review to come :)

Vallsykes says

2.5 to 3 stars

"Don't hurt me just so you can feel."

"Stop fighting me," he warned.

"Can you blame me?" she choked. "Look what you're becoming, Sebby! Look at how you're acting.

So, Taylor finally grows a partial backbone. It's not that she's weak. It's that she has helped put herself in a motha-fuck of a situation. Yet, it is clear that she can draw strength from Sebby's crazy-obsessive love of her. Because seriously, the guy would be destroyed if Taylor somehow disappears.

Before reading this installment, I was aware of the cliffhanger I would meet and I suspected that Sebastian's Correction Camp would soften, a bit. While reading though, crazy me, it felt a bit anti-climatic when Sebastian got creative with his punishment due to the fact that I couldn't distinguish between the "I love you, let me devour you" sex and the "let me put you into check" correction; where before, sexual "Sebby" was very different from Dominant & Dangerous Sebastian. In this story, they somehow merged.

However, the merging is somehow apropos because I think it's helping Sebastian "see" his predicament with the SKALS agency. He feels that everything he knew is no longer true and begins to distance himself from it, mentally and emotionally. He knows that something is there lurking, just waiting to burst his bubble wide open. And...it is!

And there's your cliffhanger, people!

I can't help but say the author should have finished it with this book. But I still hold out hope that book#4 will be good, so I'll read it.

Kelle says

The last 5-10% actually gets a little interesting and what do you think happens??? Yep it ends on a cliffhanger. And at the end it says book 4 coming soon, can't find any information of when it's due.

Don't know why I'm upset haven't been in love with the story....scratch that I know why I'm upset because I haven't been in love with the story and when it finally gets interesting I'm left hanging for a story that probably could have been summed up in two books. Also disappointed because my dark and twisted needs were not met. And if Taylor whined "Sebby" one more time I thought I'd poke my own eyes out because rolling them every time was starting to give me a headache. But if I poked them out then I'd have to start buying audio books and let's face it the voices I hear in my head are much more entertaining. LOL Well except for Taylor's because all I hear for her is a whiney shrill voice. She annoyed from the first book but I think she got whinier in this book. And the only reason I'm going to continue with the next one is because I want to find out what devious plan Marx is up to, he's what's keeping this interesting for me.

Μαρ?α Γεωργοπο?λου says

After reading the first two books in the series, I thought that it would be good to read the third book also. I have to say that the series is getting better with the plot but I still can't say that I am a big fan of the main characters.

The story continues after the events of the second book and now Sebastian is even more protective of Taylor. And the fact that he doesn't know who to trust makes him scarier.

I keep thinking that Taylor doesn't know what is good for her. She's so young and she's living with a very dangerous man. I was happy to see that he was less abusive in this book but only because she wasn't feeling well. She wants to please him more than everything and I think that she's losing herself. Also, I have a feeling that there is a mystery with her family, but I am not very sure.

Yes, I know that Sebastian is hot. But he's irrational and abusive. Sometimes he's so good with her but most of the time he's a cold bastard. He's like a robot. I know that he's capable to love her but I don't like his way at all.

Nevertheless, it's a good story with very well-written plot and made me curious about the next book!

Jen says

"We either adapt to our circumstances or we shatter.

Life is messy. Messy and short.

Why waste precious time picking up the pieces?

It's easier to bend than it is to break." ~Taylor~

Adrianna Noir has created yet another masterpiece! This series just keeps getting better, and I'm hooked! It is raw, dark, and gritty; and has you questioning the fine line between right and wrong. The last half of this book had the tension and suspense ramped up so high, I didn't want to stop reading for anyone or anything. I was so engrossed in the story, my stomach is still in knots and I am so wishing that book #4 was already out! This series is not for the faint of heart. There are scenes that will leave you quivering in your boots. I do like how Ms. Noir writes a balance of good and bad. There are scenes that make me sick, and then others that melt my heart. I have never read a book that has taking me on such an interesting emotional journey that one

minute I am laughing, and the next I am in tears. These books have it all, from action, sex, violence, and even romance.

Book 3 gives us the after math of Sebastian almost losing his life, and Taylor being captured and attacked. Sebastian is at a huge crossroads in his life. Will SKALS turn him into the evil beast that most think he is, or will love conquer all and have him fight to stay human for Taylor? There are secrets coming to light regarding SKALS, and huge possible betrayals. Sebastian doesn't know who to trust, and he gets the feeling that someone is following him. He is frustrated because he isn't quite sure if he is feeling this way because of the attacks or if his instincts are kicking in and he really is in danger.

This time we get a glimpse of what his work life is really like, and just what kind of monster Marx (his boss) is. I have to say that Marx makes Sebastian look like a fairy Godmother in comparison. Marx is as evil and sadistic as they come, and I am petrified for Taylor's safety when it comes to this monster. He doesn't seem to like sharing Sebastian with Taylor, and he feels strongly that Sebastian is too distracted with her around. Having this boss on their radar is anything BUT good, and I can see that there are potential bad things to come. I sure understood Sebby's battle to keep his humanity in tact way more, now that I have been given some insight into Marx's character. Yes, Seb can be nasty when he is in a mood, and he has been abusive at times to Taylor..but it is nothing compared to what Marx would do if he ever got a hold of her. The conditioning that the SKALS members are put through is utter hell. It is basically torture at its finest, and it is no wonder that when Sebastian comes out of that it is hard for him to be a functioning person again. I believe that is exactly what Marx wants, and there is no stopping this vile creature when he has a bone to pick with someone.

There were some great scenes with Sebby and Taylor, and when things are going well for them it is like reading a fairy tale. Then Seb will get in a mood, and all of that changes in a heart beat; and out comes the belt and his aggression is taken out on Taylor. My heart bleeds for that woman, because truly there is no way out for her. She is in this for the long haul, and for the most part she seems to be happy to be there.

I have a love/hate relationship with Sebastian myself! When he says things like this to Taylor...

"Well, she is honest, gentle, and kind. She has a huge heart, but it's also the heart of a fighter, because no matter how rough things get, she refuses to give up on me. She makes me want to give her my best. Her smile alone is enough to brighten anyone's day."

How could you not love a guy like that? Unfortunately, that is just one side of him. The other side is one that I wouldn't want to meet, let alone be the focus of when he is a rage. Taylor deals with him and his mood swings quite well, even though at times she is terrified. Some people may think she is weak; but I think it makes her strong..She needs to have a spine of steel in order to deal with a man like that.

As you can tell, I am absorbed into this story whole heartedly. I feel like I know these people, and when I am reading one of these books, a train could run through my house and I wouldn't know it! I am hooked. The next installment is apparently the last one in the saga of Sebastian and Taylor. This saddens me, and yet I can't wait to read it! I have utter faith that Adriana Noir will write another blazing hot story! This series is a MUST read for anyone who likes a bit of darkness to their books, you won't be disappointed!

Jamie says

Another Sexy, Edge of Your Seat Dark Ride

Adriana has done it again... I swear, each book in this series has got better each time and that's saying a hell of a lot considering the first book was freaking amazing! But she did it. Adriana has managed to create a character that has the ability to repulse and thrill you at the same time..To love him and then beat the shit out of him...To hold him and then run for your life for fear of punishment. I'm talking about Sebastian Bass. He's a trained killer who has a black heart; although with Taylor, we get to see glimpses of a softer side. He loves her crazy. And by crazy, I mean.. he's seriously OVER THE TOP POSSESSIVE and controlling and with Taylor it's a for sure "till death do us part" relationship. Not just because Seb would never let her live without him.. but SKALS would never allow her to leave either. It doesn't matter though.. Taylor loves him on the deepest most base level and would never leave.

This book picks up right where Bound by Vengeance left off. Seb's not sure who he can trust in SKALS anymore and he almost lost everything he loves. This one was the most suspenseful to me and I was so nervous throughout the entire book wondering how Seb was going to handle the situation with SKALS or if he'd even be able to. There's some serious baddies in play now and he has no idea who he can trust. If he doesn't figure it out soon he'll lose everything.

Adriana has quickly became one of my most favorite authors. I simply love her writing style and honestly, I've never read another author like her. The way she created Seb as this complete dark, possessive, obsessive, violent man has never changed from book one through now. We see occasional tender sides of him with Taylor, but even then he is still that same man. The type of violence he is capable of never lets up. Just when you think he's going to show perhaps a more "human" side and show some compassion..NOPE.. It's full out balls to the wall with Seb. I love that.. just f'king love that. I can honestly say, Sebastian is the most interesting character I've ever read. I adore everything about him no matter how fucked up he is.

I cannot wait for book 4 and I just hope Adriana is working on getting it in our hands pronto!

This is without a doubt a must read series.. it's dark, its suspenseful, its erotic, it's violent.. it's the whole package. It's just flat out awesome.

ARC Provided By Adriana Noir For an Honest Review

Christine Wallflower & Dark Romance Junkie says

5+++++ GIVE ME A MINUTE NOIR HAS DONE IT AGAIN STARS!!!

I am sitting here and my mind is blown!!! Miss Noir has wowed me again, this series just keeps getting better and better!!! Adriana Noir's writing is dark, gritty, it draws you in. Take no prisoners! That's her writing style! I am a proud minion!!!

SKALS. That one word/acronym should have you quaking in your boots, they're fast and lethal. You don't

mess with them, they will take you down and they won't hold back. A group of men, lethal machines, trained using the most harsh and brutal methods. Once you're in there's no turning back.

Sebastian Baas. Love the man, he isn't perfect and he knows it! His job turns him into a cold and heartless man, there is know going to far. He does whatever it takes to finish the job and he does it well! Now I've read many books with anti-heroes and I always have one problem. The character does a complete 180 halfway through the book, he becomes this caring character with a conscious, not that Sebby doesn't care for Taylor. But it's he's own brand of love, it's deep and you can't question it.

Miss Noir has written the perfect anti-hero, he's dangerous and flawed. But he's trying to change, he wants to change but it isn't always easy! Here's my point ladies and gentlemen: This gives the story credibility! And Miss Noir has done it! Don't make me like the character! I can make up my own mind! Thank you!

I think I'll quote out of the book for Taylor.

"There is strength in surrender"

There were never truer words! Taylor loves Sebastian, but sometimes his actions scare her, and yes she even thinks of leaving him too. But if you're like me and know Sebastian's character, you know that this will never happen! I love Taylor's character, she has balls! I don't think anyone could live her life and still be sane.

Final Thoughts

Sebby and Taylor's relationship has matured, I think they both understand each other better. Sebby has many enemies, who would like to destroy the life he has built with Taylor. His job is becoming a bigger threat to his personal life and I have a few theories on what he will do to fix this problem. By the way I will never go to a dinner hosted by Sebastian Baas! I just had to say that LMAO!!! Finally wow, that ending! Gaaaah!!! I need the next book right now!!!!

ARC kindly provided by author Adriana Noirin return for an honest review!

Jamie *Gypsy Smut-a-teer* says

"Welcome to SKALS. I suggest you strap yourself in, cupcake. You just entered the ninth circle of hell."

This series.....This book.....smh, if you haven't started it yet you are definitely missing out on something here. It is pure GENIUS!!!

Edge of Obsession is the third book in the SKALS series. I have been beyond excited to read it and when Ms. Adriana Noir offered me an ARC I jumped on the opportunity. Once I started I could NOT put it down. OMG, it was AMAZING!!! EEK!!!

Sebby and Taylor are struggling to get over what happened to them in the previous book. Seb is on edge worried about Taylor, what he has got her into, and how he can still keep her. However, this isn't his biggest problem. Something huge is happening. He has his suspicions on who is behind everything, but he has to be able to prove it, and that is not an easy task. The harder he digs it seems the more questions he has, not to mention he's not completely sure on who he can trust and who he can't. The stress gets to him, plus some reconditioning. Taylor seems to take the brunt of it. She tries, as hard as she can but sometimes Sebastian's demands are more than she can keep up with.

"I lost my way, but I love you and nothing is ever going to make that change. No matter how much SKALS might rip away, some small part of me is always clinging to you. You are what keeps me breathing when I want to give in. You are what makes me fight to come back home."

I literally just could go on and on and on about this book. Seb is my favorite anti-hero right now. Don't go into this series thinking it is going to be heart and flowers, because you will be sorely disappointed. Seb is hard core. At times I wince and just want to look away because his punishments can be so extreme, but he explained that a little in this book and I understand now better where he is coming from and why he does the things he does. He can also be extremely caring and protective of Taylor, and I'll just say something happens in this book that I just knew was coming. I was a little shocked at the way Sebastian handled it, but not in a bad way.

Taylor is her own kind of special. It takes someone brave and extremely strong to be with a man like Sebastian. At times when she is scared to death, i'm actually thinking run, go for it, what do you have to lose. And then I remember,....everything. Not only would she probably lose her life if she fled, or would take the ultimate punishment, she would lose Sebastian. And even though at times he can be terrifying, it would be horrible to lose him all the same. She literally has to walk on eggshells, but seems to be finding her way, if she can just get through this next test.....

Speaking of that, well, I can't spill anything about what I'm talking about her because it would definitely spoil, but for those who know what I'm talking about they'll understand what I'm saying here. When Sebastian finds out about what happened he is going to go apeshit crazy, and I pity the soul who steps in his way during that time,....and after when he goes for them. The ending killed me, I was sooo into it, sigh.....I NEED MORE!!! LOL!!!

Arc kindly provided by the author in exchange for an honest review. Thanks so much Ms. Noir!! :)

Lucinda - I JUST LOVE TO READ says

Freaking loved this book!

I wanted to write a review but I HAD to start with the last book in the series! (I will write a review when I am done with this series)

Best book in the series so far!

CasPerfitz~SLiTsReaD says

review posted here : <http://wp.me/p3NHjQ-f1> and here : <https://www.facebook.com/SLiTsReaD>

Love love this book! I can't wait for the 4th and final book that's for sure. This books is intense and it's freaking HOT!!!! It's driving me nuts!!!!

Omg Seb, I'm soooo....

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and then you go and say things like "you're right, I lost my way, but I love you and nothing is going to change that. You are what keeps me breathing when I want to give in. You are what makes me fight to come back home." And again, I'm like, gah!

Anyway, I highly recommend this read.... two thumbs up!!! A 10 on my list!
