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Bear shifter Jake Hunter is the resident psycho of team South-One. He lives his life by his own set of rules, screw the consequences or what anyone else might think. His rules are simple: no one is allowed to get too close. The reason? Because they might die. So why is he even wasting time thinking about Harper and what it would be like to be with a woman like her? Because he's a fool, that's why.

Harper Kelly has adjusted pretty well to being a newly bitten and turned fox shifter. No more traveling the world, chasing the perfect picture. She's stuck in Heartsridge with the rest of the registered shifter population, and she's fine with it. *Honest*. Or, she would be if it wasn't for a certain man winding her up, flashing his chiseled abs and a whole lot more, his eyes daring her to do something about it. Oh, and he happens to be her neighbor. Temptation in a wood clad cabin, only two minutes from her own front door? She'd be knocking on that door with a bottle of something and a smile on her face if it wasn't for two things. One, it's Jake, who won't even have a civil conversation with her. Two, she has the strangest feeling that he might be her fated mate. A booty call would be fine. But, love? No thank you.

Unfortunately, Fate has a way of taking things into its own hands and Harper has a need to prove herself as useful. Throw in Jake's overprotective nature and inability to relinquish control, and the pair might find themselves fast reassessing their options.

And let's not forget the Purists who are trying to destroy Heartsridge. They're still causing all kinds of trouble.

But, when a man who won't let anyone get close and a woman who's been burned by love before finally stop running from the truth, anything can happen.

***\*\* The author recommends that this series be read in order due to the continuing storyline. Each full length novel features a different couple and their happy ever after. Also included: naughty language, fully realized love scenes, and big, burly bear shifters who only have eyes for their fated mates. \*\****

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## **Heartsridge Shifters**

***It's a new world. Shifters are no longer a secret and they're ready to fight for their right to live free.***

***Everything is different.***

***Six years ago, the Registration Act forced shifters out into the open and the world changed. Towns were created to provide a safe haven for those shifters who chose to follow the law, and those who didn't were declared rogue.***

***Heartsridge is one of the few shifter towns in existence, guarded and protected by special teams of bears and wolves. Their job: to protect the right for shifters to live and love, and for the space to run free as nature intended. Because not all humans found the truth easy to accept—that they're no longer the dominant species. Tourism keeps the town thriving, humans able to visit and stay for a week, but then they have to***

leave.

*It's the law.*

## **Heartsridge Shifters: Jake Details**

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## From Reader Review Heartsridge Shifters: Jake for online ebook

### Kathi says

This series continues to entertain – this one is super-hot!!

I have read and enjoyed all the prior stories in the Heartsridge series. This one is a whole new level as it focuses on Jake who is the team “psychopath” as his experiences earlier in his life are still affecting him. Harper is now a registered fox shifter and Jake’s fated mate – but he is staying away “for her own good”. Harper happens to live in the neighboring cabin and gets an eyeful of Jake on occasion: “I sent a quick thank you to whoever was listening that he was at least wearing a pair of jeans. I’d seen this man naked. I knew for certain that the happy trail dusting his lower stomach led to a very happy place.”

A story full of humor, danger and friendship. The entire town becomes a place you would like to live, and the shifter teams are those you would like to have at your back. An excellent read that I highly recommend!!

\*\*\* I am voluntarily leaving my honest review of this book \*\*\*

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### Mary Edwards says

This fantastic series continues with Jake and Harper. Jake has been battling his demons for a long time and although he knows Harper is his fated mate he refuses to act upon it. He is too afraid of the inner demons to expose anyone else to them. Harper was badly burned by a former lover and is also extremely reluctant to commit to anyone even though she knows Jake is her fated mate and she drools over him at every opportunity. When they are forced to work together for the good of Heartsridge and to protect the residents from the traitor and the Purists, temptation to give in to their strong feelings is very hard to resist. Read this next in the series to find out how they manage to actually get their HEA and also how the community gets closer to stopping the terror attacks from the Purists. I received a free copy of this book and am voluntarily writing a review because I think this book is so good I want to let other know.

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### Michelle says

Harper Kelly has been turned into a fox shifter after he bit her on her many trips taking photos she loved to do and now she is in the shifter town registered she is fine with that but this handsome bear shifter that keeps showing me his abs and his cocky was oh and her fox wants him so bad but he does not want her to close to him he is driving her crazy lol Jake Hunter is the resident psycho of team South-One he is the bear shifter and thinks if someone gets close they will die it has happened before so he keeps them far away from him but Harper his bear wants her bad good hot sexy book exciting and funny good read Olivia Arran does it again. Michelle I voluntarily reviewed an advanced reader copy of this book.

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### **Nikki Brooks says**

Harper is a newly turned Fox shifter, still coming to terms with all her new abilities. But her irritability is at an all time high. Her neighbour, the handsome but infuriating Jake is not helping matters. He struts around in the buff all the time and Harper's sex drive is about to implode!!

Jake is a former soldier, hounded out when they realised he was a shifter. His grasp on his anger and rage always seems to be at breaking point and he refers to himself as the team psychopath. His anger has an outlet at present, finding the traitors and "interrogating" them. But with the tangles web of feelings involving Harper closing in on him, Jake may have more problems than even he can handle!

I loved Harper and Jake's story. Jake is alpha and stubborn but far from being a psycho, he just has anger management issues and genuine frustrations in the Mate department! Harper hasn't had a great run with men either so she has her own issues to contend with. My heart broke a little when we hear Jake's back story, especially where the "General" is concerned. I'm glad to see that Heather may just be ready to face a certain carefree shifter and open her heart to love again!

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### **Rochelle says**

\*I voluntarily reviewed an Advance Reader Copy of this book\*

#### **HEARTSRIDGE SHIFTERS: JAKE**

I was really looking forward to Jake and Harper's story, I was so excited and I definitely was not disappointed. This book was rocking awesome, I absolutely loved it. Wow what an entertaining and captivating read, a storyline that was filled with action, drama, and a whole lot of hot loving. After getting to know Jake and Harper through previous books, you know you like them right from the start but you only really fall in love with them when you read their story. I knew they would make a dynamic couple, and of course they did. This author has done an amazing job with this series, and each book it gets better. Another fantastic and enjoyable read.

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### **Cynthia Jackson says**

#### **Jake**

I just love this series. It's a little predictable, as all good romance novels are, but it has its surprises too. It's action packed & fun.

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### **K Cram says**

Heartsridge is a shifter community mixed with several kinds of shifters....some born, some bitten and turned. Registered shifters are required to live in sanctioned shifter communities like Heartsridge.

Harper is a turned fox shifter. During a visit to Heartsridge (book one: Austin) she was bitten by a teenage fox shifter, which was all it took to turn her world upside down, which includes a bear shifter that is deemed Team One's psychopath, and if she's right her mate. Mate or not, Harper has no intention of letting another man close enough to destroy her again.

Jake is a bear shifter with lots of secrets and a painful loss that has him determined to keep everyone at a distracted, even his mate.

The pull to ones mate is strong, throw in a traitor and danger and hot steamy sex and Jake and Harper can't help but think maybe they could have happiness. This story draws you in and doesn't let go. I highly recommend this series and suggest it be read in order, starting with Austin! You will not be disappointed. I was gifted an ARC copy and voluntarily provide my honest review.

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### **Sheila says**

Jake is the resident loner psycho of the South-One Bear Team. He does his job and blows off steam with his fists. His usual target is Nate, one of his team mates, and they have some funny history. Jake is too damaged to have any close relationships. He is quiet about his past.

We met Harper in the first book, Austin. Harper was bitten and turned into a Fox shifter by accident. She is working to get her abilities under control and to find her place in Heartsridge. As a newly registered shifter she must stay within the walls of the shifter town. Harper is also very quiet about her past.

These two shifters recognize that they are fated soulmates. That does not mean that they can or should complete the mate bond. They do come to realize that they are good together and can perhaps heal their pasts with each other.

There is much intrigue in Heartsridge. Who is sabotaging their way of life and relaying information to the purists? Is there a traitor living amongst them?

There are plot twists and new information that moves this story right along. It is a devour in an evening kind of book. You get invested in all the characters and darn it... I WANT TO VISIT HEARTSRIDGE! I love this series and each book is better than the last.

I hear that Nate's book is next, can't wait!

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### **Sherill says**

#### **HEART WARMING ROMANCE - SUSPENSE & DANGER**

This enticing read lures you into the lives of Jake and Harper with flirtatious innuendos, jealousy, breathtaking scene descriptions, horrific danger, suspense, life threatening moments, emotional ups and downs that tug your heartstrings, and delicious sensuous romance. There is a happy ever after but not until all the personal hurdles are put to rest.

Jake's muscular build and his striking looks have women fawning all over him. He has a haunted past and a

temper that could stop the Hulk in his tracks. Harper is a flaming intelligent beauty and the two clash like Titans in the night. They believe commitment is taboo for them but their attraction to each other is soul deep.

Fantastic impressive read. I so enjoyed the romance build up and the clever banter between Jake and Harper; their romance is definitely genuine and filled with protection, and much devotion. The camaraderie between the cast of characters is phenomenal and you can't help but love them all. If you treasure shifter romance this is a fabulous book for your library. I loved this book so much {I voluntarily reviewed an advanced copy}. Without reservations, I recommend this book.

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### **Lory says**

I love this series!! Oh how I waited for Jack story!!! He was definitely worth the wait. Jack our resident antisocial and psychopath I already knew that he was a complex character after reading his story I got a better understanding why he was so determining to keep everyone at arm length even his own mate. This was truly captivating and entertaining read them you throw in some drama, action, deceit, and of course some steamy romance and you have one hella of read. I already knew that Jack and Harper would make a dynamic couple and they definitely didn't disappoint. So if your looking for a enjoyable read that's jam packed with everything you need for a great read I recommend that you one click this series you won't regret it. I voluntarily read and review this ARC no minority compensation was received the opinions I have expressed are my own.

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### **Ingrid Stephanie Jordan says**

Title: Heartsridge Shifters: JAKE

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#PRN #BearShifter #WolfShifter

#5Stars?????

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Oh my goodness how do you say that every book is better than the last book. This is the fourth book of Heartsridge Shifters it was just PHENOMENAL. They have everything you need in it, believe me you want to read this whole series. Many things happened in this book and I don't want to tell you things that would give it up.

\*\*\*\*Six years ago, the Registration Act forced shifters out into the open and the world changed. Towns were created to provide a safe haven for those shifters who chose to follow the law, and those who didn't were declared rogue.

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Harper Kelly is a Fox Shifter photographer that was bitten, (which is in Book One) she's always been a free spirit happy-go-lucky and she still loves her photography plus everything about it. Harper is very

talented, she knows how to do many things in which she's going to help the Heartsridge committee to do some dangerous things, this makes the Mayor happy and her so called friend angry. A lot of things were on her mind lately like Heather and Jake what was she going to do about Jake? Plus she had to get Heather out of the habit she's in?

Jake Hunter is a Bear Shifter that never smiles or is friendly to anyone, plus everyone says he is South-One's Team psychopath. Jake doesn't believe in rules, you can shove them where the sun don't shine, he has his own set of rules, one rule is no one gets close to him. Lately that rule is getting really tuff to follow. Finding out who the traitor is by his way of interrogating is one thing that makes Jake feel better that and getting drunk plus if a women's in the mix he's okay with that. Again things are getting tough for him, one his prisoner isn't talking, two all he wants to do is protect a certain women now that's not him. He needs to watch himself because soon if he lets it happen someone will be hurt or worse dead.

A copy of this book was provided to me with no requirements for a review. I voluntarily read this book and my comments here are my honest opinion.

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## L M says

Once again Ms Arran has outdone herself in giving us a fantastic and enjoyable read.

I really recommend reading all the previous three books to get a good understanding of who and what is happening as well as know Jake's behaviour prior to this story.

Well done Ms Arran for springing not one but two real big surprises and two smaller surprises on us in this book.

Our resident antisocial psychopath Jake, finally gets his story told.

We know who his mate is but it has been a case of pot and kettle with these two. I didn't mind the slowness off our two idiots dancing around each other as we had so much more going on.

We met Harper briefly in book one, which was about Harpers sister looking for her as she has disappeared on holiday in Heartsridge. Harpers life was changed forever.

Harper was a part of the clan in the next two books but we knew the tension between her and Jake would come to a head eventually.

Harper is one foxy lady, excuse the pun, but she is a really smart, likeable character with a strong sense of family. Her actions were very clever against the sniper.

Once again Ms Arran has given us so much action to follow, whilst getting these two stubborn people to acknowledge and then accept they are mates.

I felt sorry for Jake's background history, understand his guilt and grief but I am not sure why that made him so anti everything. The convoluted situation with his sister Lea, Bella and Natalie was interesting to say the least.

Not giving anything away but this was a real surprise twist, as was who the traitor turned out to be.

I really loved that we had everyone participating in this story and met new characters for teams further down this authors road. Cannot wait to have the shifters calendar being done, I can see lots of shenanigans going on with that project.

Lovely to see Heather coming out of her abused shell and I liked that it was Heather who sorted Harper out about the rotten ex.

I hope Grace and Carter get their story eventually.

This is my honest review of this book.

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## **SBee Reviews says**

Review Rating: 4.0 out of 5 stars.

Sexy shifter-denial mating dance.

I received an Advance Reader Copy for Heartsridge Shifters: Jake (South-One Bears Book 4) written by Olivia Arran and voluntarily reviewed this book. This author has created a unique & tight-knit shifter town/world, its shifter occupants ready to fight for their rights against the “Purists.” It is Jake Hunter’s job to protect Heartsridge, and as a bear shifter, he has no fear. He is a loner, and he prefers it that way. Until he sees the very foxy little newly turned Harper Kelly, who does have some mean skills of her own. Jake can fight and deny it all he wants, but fox-shifter Harper is the only thing his animal needs, and all evidence is pointing to the fact that she is his mate.

Harper has seen him in his full glory, unabashed in his own abode. She wouldn’t mind having some of that bear in her life, but he is a really tough nut to crack. She is new to this shifter world and still has some things to learn. She knows Jake just doesn’t do “close” with anyone, but she still wouldn’t mind grabbing his attention and keeping it, because he is really the only male shifter on her mind.

Great story, sexy mating scenes, and a shifter female who can really bring it when it counts, to protect her people from harm. I am looking forward to reading her other shifter stories as well!

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## **Linda Levine says**

Harper realizes Jake is her mate but he has some secrets that make it difficult to get close. She has her own concerns about being a mate as well. There is a lot of danger in the community and these two are also fighting some strong feelings.

I really enjoy this series and recommend you read them all in order. This one brings you back to where it all started. Harper was accidentally turned into a fox shifter after being bitten. Her sister came to find her and ended up being the mate of one of the alpha bear shifters. Now, several of the shifters have found their mates.

I enjoyed the mix of romance and action. Harper and Jake have an intense attraction. When the heat rises, they have a hard time resisting it. There are some definite twists you don’t expect. I also like that there is some humor too.

I am voluntarily reviewing a copy I received.

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## **Marsha Spohn says**

Reviewed at Shifter Haven

There is so much going on in Heartsridge Shifters: Jake that I simply don't know where to begin. I guess with the most obvious – Harper and Jake. I don't believe it's going to come as any grand surprise to anyone but Harper and Jake themselves that these two are Fated Mates. Trouble comes into play when we realize that neither one wants to be mated. Oh, fun times and getting down and dirty are great, but commitment... no thanks, not for me. Ah, it doesn't quite work that way, but try telling that to two extremely stubborn, bull-headed shifters. Right. Harper might have been forgiven for her oversight for she was recently accidentally turned to a fox shifter so she's still got a learning curve – Jake has no excuse at all, except his own personal reasons that he shares with no one. But he's going to have to start sharing or risk losing his mate. We've seen the prankster Jake previously. Soon we're going to see what actually makes Jake tick and it's heart breaking.

Jake and Harper coming to terms with each other is only a part of this amazing story. We learn more of the other members of the teams, there are surprises, danger, questions answered and even more left to be solved later. As I mentioned, there is a lot going on in this story, and it's far more enjoyable for you if you learn those things yourself by reading this story and this series.

Every time I finish one of the stories in the South-One Bear Shifters series I think I've got a good handle on happenings in the series... right up until I start the next story. That is what brings me back, and will continue to have me reading Olivia Arran's works. I never have a freakin' clue what's coming next and that's the way I like it. I love surprises in my stories, I want to go "what the heck just happened" and often. If that's the style of story and series that you want to get caught up in then I'd recommend this series and this story, Heartsridge Shifters: Jake to you. You're gonna love what you find in these books.

I read this title through my Kindle Unlimited subscription.

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