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"What happened that summer?"

The ill-fated vacation Reece Howard spent at her grandparents' Georgia home long ago changed her in ways her mind still refuses to remember. She forgot about the man she once knew as "Jones," but she can't ignore the flashes of desire she now feels toward him. With her family estranged, she doesn't have a good reason to return to Fair Winds. *Until now.*

Jones is looking for answers...answers he can find only at the plantation he left behind years before. By surprise, he discovers Reece there—all grown up and beautiful—never imagining he might be able to help chase away her demons. And neither of them expects an attraction as combustible as the secrets surrounding them.

But falling in love might be the most dangerous thing they can do....

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Diana says

Love Marilyn's writing, and don't mind a ghostly presence especially when it adds to the mystery. I do have a problem with a ghost stepping in at a critical moment. I think that part could've been handled better. Aside from that, loved the story and the emotions both hero and heroine had to handle.

May Mostly Romance says

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### **Susan says**

Good book. Kinda creepy. Reece came back to Fair Winds looking for answers to why she can't remember three months of the summer she was there. She is immediately bombarded with the feelings that her grandfather's ghost is there. Jones has returned to find out what happened to his brother. At first he can't believe that Reece doesn't remember him. She immediately has the feeling she can trust him, and tells him what she does remember and what she is experiencing. They spend time together and grow closer. The ending was great, but certainly gave me a bit of the willies.

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### **PWRL says**

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### **Saly says**

This book was certainly different with ghosts, suppressed memories, stuck-up relatives. The heroine Reece has a comfortable life but she has always had nightmares and cannot recall what happened the summer her father died and she went to live with her grandparents, but the thought of her now dead grandfather gives her dread, she with the help of her friend finally decides to go back to find out the truth.

Jones is a famous landscaper and he's back after fifteen years because his brother's things have been discovered and he fears he is dead. Jones was cut off by his family after he decided he wanted a different life (we discover in the end his family were gypsies). He remembers Reece but she doesn't, at first he thinks it's a ruse but then starts believing her.

Of course the ghosts are scary and so are the gardens and all tries up with murder. An okay book.

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### **Sandra says**

My first Marilyn Pappano book. It was pretty good! Heroine goes back to plantation she stayed at when she was thirteen (15 years ago) to regain that part of her memory (she blocked it out) of what happened there. Hero is there trying to find out some answers from the past too. Book is slow at times but I really liked the eerie atmosphere, ghosts, secrets from the past, creepy relatives and the chilling conclusion!

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## **Mombo says**

Falling in love seems so easy for Reece and Jones.. the attraction is mutual and the intrigue surrounding them at every turn doesn't deter them.

Jones is an easy guy to like.. he's an Irish Traveller with a family we'd like to hear more from.. and he's on the trail of discovering what happened to his brother years ago.

Reece has lost her memory.. her family is creepy and I am sure no one is as glad to bid them adieu than she is. That should be Creepy with a capital C, by the way.

I hope MP follows up with Jones's family because we can't leave Copper Lake behind that easy, can we?

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## **Mikaela says**

I love Marilyn Pappano's Copper Lake books. I don't rush out and buy the latest immediately, since I am not keeping track of her release schedule, but I buy them when I am in the mood for Romantic Suspense, set in the South. This book is no different. Or actually, it is. It has the additional element of a haunted plantation filled with secrets. Which is another thing that I love.

The atmosphere gave me goosebumps. Part of it was because it could be taken from a historical novel, set in the south. From the house, to Miss Willa's manners. Just about everything.

It was nailbiting to follow Reece and Jones search for the truth of what happened that summer 15 years earlier. Their search shed new light on what happened all those years ago. From Reece arrival, to the foggy memories that she have dreamt nightmares about.

The characters felt like mirror images of each other. They were estranged from their families, both of them had lost something during their Summer in Copper Lake. It was touching to read about their unfolding romance.

So what I didn't like. If this had been release as a Paranormal Suspense, I would have given it an A. Since it is published as a Romantic Suspense, I cannot give it an A. Why? The romance between Reece and Jones are sweet and touching, but there is no obstacles for them to overcome in their relationship. Or if it is, it was swallowed by the Suspense part of the book.

Still, I enjoyed it and I plan to read more by Marilyn Pappano in the future.

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## **Cathy Beckett says**

Just finished Copper Lake Secrets by Marilyn Pappano. It was a very good read. I really enjoyed the premise.

Reece Howard has returned to her family's plantation to try to find out what happened to her there during a summer visit when she was thirteen years old. She doesn't remember much of her visit but she knows

something bad happened to her there and because of it she is plagued with nightmares and trust issues.

Jones has returned to Fair Winds, the Howard plantation, in Copper Lake, Georgia. He is trying to find out what happened to his older brother, Glen. The last time he saw Glen was 15 years ago. Glen was trying to protect a young 13 year old girl from her bully of a cousin. The cousin and grandfather tormented this kid and even tried to kill her.

Jones recognizes Reece as the kid that he and his brother tried to protect that long ago summer. Reece doesn't recognize Jones but Fate has worked to bring the two of them together.

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