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24 year old Kelsey Dubicki dreams were put on hold when she was forced to drop out of college to help with the family business when her father suddenly died. Now her older brother owns the bar named Dubicki's and she needs to help him keep the business afloat. instead of going to school during the day, she's a bartender by night. At 30, Jason Rourke is one of the top real estate developers in the city of Minneapolis. Now he is on the verge of one of the biggest deals in his career. The only thing stopping him is a bar named Dubicki's that sits on the land that his investors want to develop. Jason and Kelsey have conflicting goals. They never expected to fall in love. ----- This is a Christmas themed Romance intended for mature audiences. It features explicit sex scenes.

Dubicki's Details

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Deborah says

This book is about 24 year old Kelsey Dubicki, a one time college student who had to give up her dreams of becoming a children's book illustrator in order to help run her family bar after her father dies. Kelsey and her older brother Adam decided that they would run the family bar while allowing their younger brother Jesse to be able to pursue his dreams at becoming a MMA Fighter.

Kelsey spends most of her time at the bar and doesn't have time nor does she want to have a relationship with any one every since she found her boyfriend Zeke in bed with one of her good friends. Work, sleep and her best friend Mimi seem to be the only things that she had time for.

Jason Rourke is a 30 year old Real Estate Developer who has just purchased almost everything on a city block in order to put up high rise, the only thing standing in his way is Dubicki's. The owners of Dubicki's refuse to sell because the bar has been in their family for years and they plan on passing it down to their children one day. Jason however has other plans and will stop at nothing to acquire the property.

Jason and Kelsey meet and have an instant attraction. Kelsey knows that nothing can come from this attraction because Jason is the enemy and Jason see's Kelsey as the one that could possibly change his outlook on relationships and has made it his mission to have her.

Unable to resist temptation, they give into their desires and start seeing one another secretly because Kelsey knows that her brothers will freak once they find out what she has been doing.

One day Kelsey's worst fears come true when her brother Adam confronts her about the relationship that she is having with Jason and forces her to choose between her family or Jason.

I wont give everything away but let me tell you that this book is worth reading. the characters are developed well, the sex scenes are STEAMY and the book is well written and easy to follow.

Noreen Fredriksen says

This was a goodreads win. I read it in one day. It is a Christmas love story. I enjoyed the story and the characters. The chapters were short making it a quick and easy read.

Angelica Dimeo says

Thank you GoodReads for this book
I won this book as First Reads winner
I read this book it is really good
character wise and setting wise
the reason i did not give 5 stars is because
certain aspects could be improved such as how they are almost instantly

dating that kinda was a saddening I would have liked her to be more hard to get.

Coribooks says

Book was sweet and ok. Very basic writing. Sex scenes weren't that hot. But it was a nice easy read.

Susan (susayq ~) says

First off, I want to say thank you! I won this on GoodReads :)

2.5 stars

This was a quick little read that wasn't too bad, but had a few issues: in some places the dialogue was a bit stilted and it made it hard to read. There were several occasions where explanations were given and I felt like I was reading an encyclopedia rather than a romance novel. There was also a lot of repetition going on. Those problems really hindered my enjoyment of this.

As for characters, I did like how Kelsey and Jason got to know each other and we got to see them laughing as they traded family stories. I was a bit disappointed that Kelsey would believe her brother when he said that Jason was probably using her. Jason didn't talk business with Kelsey, so why would she believe that?

All in all, I did enjoy reading this and I wouldn't mind reading Jesse's story :)

Melody Cox says

This book was very enjoyable. It held my attention and I completed it in one sitting.

I enjoyed Jason and Kelsey and thought the storyline was a very good one. The males of the Dubicki family are in the midst of every family member's business, the oldest being a real pain in the neck. What will they/he think when the real estate developer, Jason, who wants to buy the family bar, develops a growing interest in Kelsey, his sister?

I highly recommend this book. I feel the author did an excellent job of telling this story and you won't want to put it down.

Harly says

Not great, but not horrendous either. Fluffy story, but a rough writing style that makes it hard to follow

Deborah says

Received through a Goodreads/Firstreads giveaway.

Lisa Andres has written a sweet little romance, easily read and enjoyed in a day. Even though the writing felt a little...cautious...as if she was afraid to go too far, say too much, take the plunge into the deep end of the pool, Dubicki's was an enjoyable story especially toward the end. Ms Andres' story of Jason and Kelsey, two people who are at cross purposes and shouldn't fall for each other but do, is nice, angst and an easy read. Her portrayal of Adam, Kelsey's older brother was strong. I really disliked his I'm-the-head-of-this-family attitude. I do love a man I can love and hate at the same time. I also loved Kelsey's younger brother and look forward to his story. I am a sucker for MMA fighters. It will be interesting to follow Ms Andres as she evolves into a first rate storyteller.

Emmy says

There was just SO much wrong with this. It's probably easier if I just bullet point the highlights.

- the first chapter was, I guess, a lesson in real estate and the state of the market for the last few years
- random brand name-dropping
- cliche characters (Kelsey didn't wear makeup and always put her hair in a ponytail. She had a quiet beauty and had no idea how stunning she really was. blech.)
- basically insta-love
- I seriously suspect all of the characters were at least a little bipolar, because the swings in their personalities were just not normal.
- the most god-awkward dialogue I may have ever heard. If you are having a conversation with someone, you don't repeat their name at the end of every sentence. They know you are talking to them!
- no character development. at all.
- did I mention the awkward, unnatural dialogue? It bears repeating.
- Jason constantly referred to the "current cougar" he was f-ing.
- should I even mention the fact that Jason showed up at Kelsey's house one day. She did not tell him where she lived and the last time she had seen him, she was escaping from him at his office. And how does she react to this textbook example of stalking? "Hi yourself." Are you fucking kidding me? ARGH.
- no character development. (I know I'm repeating myself again, but I really just cannot stress these things enough)
- and I'll just finish my mini-rant with the epilogue. The moral of this little story: It's okay to forget to

practice safe sex and accidentally get pregnant, because you're prince charming will marry you and you'll live happily ever after.

Uuuugh...RAGE....

Julia Charlotte says

Unfortunately, I did not really enjoy this book. I did not feel connected to the characters at all, but I'm not sure if that was because of the third person POV. I felt the ultimatum situation was pretty lame and most of the dialogue sounded forced. Also, the love scene were dry as heck lol. I did not get a chance to know the characters, for example it would say, "We talk for hours about anything and everything." Yes were don't need to know all the details but maybe a little scrap of info would be nice. One of the main reason why I love reading is because I get so attached to characters and root for relationships to form while reading the story. I did not do any of that while reading this. To be honest, I just skimmed the last 20 pages. I think this story could have been told so well and I got a Revenge feel to it maybe because of the bar setting.

~Nichole~ Sizzling Pages Romance Reviews says

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Deborah says

Jason Rourke is a hard working real estate developer and the only thing standing in the way of his latest venture is the family run bar Dubicki's. The bar is owned and run by siblings Adam, Kelsey and Jesse Dubicki and they're determined not to sell at any cost in fact they're just as determined not to sell as Jason is to make them.

Jason doesn't have a love life as such it's more of a sex life, women are there to scratch an itch and nothing more, commitment is not for him. Kelsey has been hurt in the past and a relationship with the man who's trying to take the family bar away would be impossible but still when they meet the attraction is there. This is a nice enough easy romance, it has likeable characters along with an easy story.
