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Three siblings searching for the truth about their family are about to find more than they bargained for....

When Tamara Allistair lost her family, she quickly learned that the only person she could rely on was herself. Now Tamara wants revenge against the man who wronged her. But going after a target with far-reaching connections is a dangerous gamble, and soon Tamara is the one being threatened.

A man with his own share of family issues, ex-marine C. J. MacNamara knows that protecting Tamara is the right thing to do. Keeping her safe is no easy task, but getting her to trust him is an entirely different challenge. As Tamara attempts to right a wrong ten years in the making, C.J. puts his own life on the line to protect the woman who is more worthy of love than anyone he's ever known.

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Deb says

I did not finish this book. The book featured a wishy-washy female lead, and a male lead who didn't care for her wishy-washy, but kept going back for more. A very bogged down book.

Joni says

3 1/2 stars second book in the series. Suspenseful romance, I enjoyed this book. This is C.J. and Tamera's story. Tamera comes back to town to try to solve the mystery of a car wreck that left her an orphan. Someone does not want her back in town, and C.J. finds himself trying to protect her (even if she doesn't want it).

Nicole says

Got this from a mystery date a book at my library and although its not a book I would normally have picked up I liked it. Moved fairly fast I will be picking up the next in the series

Kari says

I have to say that I really liked Macnamara's Woman much more than the first one in the series, Maggie's Man. The major reason was that neither main character annoyed me. Tamara is in Sedona to try to find the truth about the accident that killed her family and her boyfriend and left her with years of surgeries and physical therapy. The problem is that she is convinced the hit and run car was driven by a Senator. She just needs proof.

I felt for Tamara. She had no one to help her recover. She has had to rely on herself for many years. She has also never dealt with the pain of her loss or with the PTSD from being a survivor. C.J. was just the man she needed. I loved him and how he was so smitten from the beginning. I was really hoping Tamara would be able to open herself up to love.

The mystery was really good as well. The truth of what happened that night was heartbreaking. I was also surprised because I was going in a completely different direction. There are also some hints as to what Max, C.J.'s father was into before he died. I can't wait to read the final book. Brandon's Bride.

Natalia says

Another awesome read by Lisa Gardner. I just realized that the books in this series are actually reprints of books Lisa wrote in the early 90s under a pen name. Now that I know this, it explains a lot of my curiosity at the lack of modern technology. Regardless of when the book was written, my enjoyment of it is in no way

diminished.

Lisa Gardner has always had the talent of writing some seriously messed up and complex characters that enthrall you from beginning to end. This story is about the second McNamara Sibling CJ. A former Marine, He now runs a Bar in Arizona, races cars, and is enjoying his quiet life. CJ has one weakness. He loves Saving Damsels in distress. .

Tamara Allistair is the perfect damsel in distress. Having lost her entire family in a horrifying car accident 10 years ago, she has returned to Arizona to confront her pasts and find out the truth.

This book was different from what I am used to by this author. Rather than mostly suspense with a hint of romance, we get mostly romance with a hint of suspense. From the beginning, the main characters know most of the puzzle, and just need a few pieces to put it together. This made the plot mostly predictable. It did surprise me at times and that was unexpected.

I enjoyed the Chemistry between Tamara and CJ. I can't say I loved it as much as that of Maggi and Cain of the first book, but it was obvious to me that CJ and Tamara needed each other. They balanced each other out well.

I am super excited to read the next book in this series. It is about the last sibling, Brandon. I can't wait to hear his story, and to finally find out the last remaining secrets in this series. I am sad that I have to wait all the way until December to see what will happen next!

Lise says

I liked this one BETTER than the first of this series

Iza says

I really enjoyed that one too : you didn't have to wait to have a strong heroin, the plot was interesting, the psychology a little deeper than usual, the hero was patient and charming. I'm on to book #3 !

Sophie Fender says

Amazing, read it in a day!

Mary-Megan says

I didn't like either of the main characters. I understand that she had been through a huge trauma, but she was too cold and he was way too persistent to the point that he was almost a stalker. That isn't romantic. The drama/suspense was decent come the second half, but it was weak on the romance.

Sandy says

If you're doing a trilogy the least you could do is have a little more interaction with the and future main characters.

Saly says

Rating 3.5

This is the second in the Maximillian's Children series, a man who fathered children with three different women and whose kids still don't know what he did and facts about his death.

CJ's mother was the one Max loved, but he never married her since she didn't have an inheritance. CJ as a little boy saw his mother wither away with disease trying to save her with Max nowhere to be found. After her death he was with Max until he died too and he went to live with his grandmother with his siblings, angry and lashing out. But he changed and mellowed down, joined the marines and now owns a bar at Sedona, racing and sometimes bounty hunter. He likes helping out women in distress and one night he runs across Tamara, who's speeding and injures herself. From the way she is dressed he figures she is a New Yorker and when he tries to help her and even offers to take her to a hospital she is not welcoming and insists on doing everything on her own, even when her breaks seem to be tampered with, CJ is intrigued.

Tamara has come to Sedona after ten years to finally confront the death of her family and boyfriend and the accident that left her in a hospital, struggling through injuries, learning to walk. She has made herself successful and has repressed herself, letting nothing in. She remembers how she saw her family slip away and thinks a senator may be responsible, she is here to uncover the truth.

Tamara was a little difficult to like, she was always too prickly and you could see her self-destructing. She coped with life the best way she knew, alone and pushing all emotion aside (she was alone in the hospital), so she doesn't like how CJ won't let up and she starts thinking about him, reaching out to him. Their first time together, she refuses to let go and pushes CJ away way too much but still he helps her and tells her she needs to talk about her loss and the post-traumatic stress she has.

Then there are the attempts on her life and then a frame-up for murder. Throughout it all CJ stands up for her, and I did wonder why sometimes and so does Tamara but she was one messed up, tortured character.

The book has made me mighty curious about Brandon's book, whose been running away since his wife's death and the real truth about Max.

Joanie says

Great read

Another great read by Lisa Gardner. I am never disappointed by the building of the characters and the plot of

the story line!

Eileen says

Before she was the acclaimed author I love, Lisa Gardner wrote as Alicia Scott in an entirely different genre. This is a typical bad romance novel with a typical happy ending. In between, it had all the usual stuff. Boy meets girl, girl hates boy, ridiculous "passionate" scenes. Blech. There are two other books in this series, but I'll pass and stick to her fantastic, page turning suspense novels.

Lynsey A says

Not sure this one is even worth 2 stars. The heroine was annoying and unlikable. She kept pushing away the hero. Some authors can write a story with someone facing a difficult past but still a likable character, i.e. Joss from On Dublin Street. Despite her issues I still liked her. Not so much this heroine.

I liked the hero better until he had a TSTL moment and touched and removed evidence!! Really? Someone is trying to kill her and you remove evidence? And then let said victim drive off in the car.

The ending was pretty obvious on the guilty party with an added twist. I actually skimmed through the last 40%. I couldn't stomach the heroine anymore. Her parents and boyfriend are killed in a car accident and she's gravely injured but thinks she doesn't need counseling? Thinks because her physical therapist tells her no one can walk for her that he is referring to living her life alone?

This just wasn't an enjoyable story which is too bad because I really liked the first book. Brandon, the brother who lost his wife is the next boom. Will he be as annoying as this heroine? Hope not.

Michelle says

amazing!!!
