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Dr. Cindy Shahi is resigned to being mateless, but her inner jaguar has needs that must be sated. An encounter with a deliciously sexy stranger is the perfect chance for a night of no-strings primal passion.

Elias was content to be a lone wolf until the moment he laid eyes--and much more--on Cindy. Their intense attraction can mean only one thing: the mating call. And when it becomes clear someone isn't happy about their budding relationship, all of Elias's protective instincts go on high alert. He'll do anything to keep Cindy safe--and convince her that he intends to claim her as his own, no matter what.

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From Reader Review Heart of the Jaguar for online ebook

Melody May (What I'm Reading) says

Originally posted on What I'm Reading

This morning I got a chance to read Katie Reus soon to be latest novella Heart of the Jaguar. Since this a novella, I'm not going to bore you with my personal synopsis of the story. However, I will share my thoughts.

Overall, I liked the story. I love the magnetism between Cindy and Elias. Both of them felt this pull towards one another even though they are different shifters. I guess when you find your mate, it doesn't matter if they are different type of shifter. I enjoyed the fact that Cindy was trying to fight the pull to be with Elias, because she thought she what was best for the both of them. I love Elias, because he didn't care about her one flaw. He loved her no matter what.

Plus, I like the sense there was danger among them. Even though they are both shifters, they aren't complete invincible to some dangers. As I said I enjoyed this story. Now I need to go back and read the others. So, if you are looking for a quick read with a hint of danger and shifters, you might want like to read Heart of the Jaguar.

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Nadia says

See, I have a specific breed of shifter that I abosultely love above all other.. car shifters. I love me some wolf, but cats; lions, tigers etc? and the fact this one has pumas? ooh purrrr.

This short story, is about Dr. Cindy Shahi, a puma shifter who wants nothing more than a one night stand. She is tired of the obligation that comes with getting involved with the shifters in the surrounded area, so when a handsome wolf shifter is in town for the wedding of her friend, it is the perfect solution in Cindy's mind. She gets the hot wolf, for a whole night full of sinful pleasure.

Too bad, Elias have other plans in mind for her than leaving her, after their yummy night. He knows she is his mate, and he will do anything to convince her of that fact. Elias wants nothing more than to have his precious mate, and be with her.

For me there is nothing sexier, than a hot determined werewolf who wants you to be his one and only.

I always find novellas a bit lacking, usually because they are too short and there are many elements missing, but Katie is one of the few authors, where I know whether it is a novella or a full length book, I know she will always deliver.

The chemistry between Elias and Cindy is ooh-mama off the chart. I love reading about the journey it takes Elias to from meeting Cindy, to getting her in his bed and keeping her there, and the next goal? getting to her heart and keeping it ;)

This is such a sweet story about two people coming from two different directions in their lives, and both wanting to meet in the middle in resolving their commitment issues.

This is definitely a story worth reading.

I received an ARC, for my honest review about the book

Hotncold82 says

As a huge reader of the paranormal genre, I openly admit that I'm hard to please when it comes to anything to do with shifters and soulmates. And while this book was a great read, it fell in the great one time read category for me, and is probably something I won't return to.

I did enjoy the chemistry between Cindy and Elias, but I felt as if the actual relationship was too rushed. I struggled to find an actual emotional connection between them, and that is what took some of the genuine interest right out of the book for me. So while this was a good read, I am disappointed that I wasn't as blown away as I wished to be.

Jo says

Similar to the first book in the series, *A Jaguar's Kiss*, this one was quick and held a bit of danger and some steamy sex. Cindy is the local doctor and a jaguar shifter. After two years without, she wants sex. Badly. But she doesn't want to deal with any sort of territorial, possessive shifter male from town and the resulting drama. No, she needs a transient. At the reception for Owen and Gabriela's wedding, she finds someone from out of town. Perfect, right?

Elias has recently left the military after blowing out his knee as a result of a parachuting accident after which he couldn't shift into his wolf to heal quickly and properly. Having served with Owen prior to his coming home to be alpha, Elias has been invited to join his pack as Owen's second, which hasn't been announced yet. So when Cindy asks about Elias being from around there, he tells her the truth, but not that he's staying.

The day after meeting Elias finds Cindy to begin his courting of her. After being confronted by a local of six months who's set on Cindy, she becomes victim to first vandalism and then threats to her life. As the local sheriff works on solving these crimes, Cindy and Elias have a pretty good idea who it is. It, of course, becomes Elias' mission to protect Cindy, which he accomplishes. The two find their HEA by the end of the book and there is no cliffhanger. This book could be read as a stand-alone if desired.

While I liked the narrator's (Alexandra Fisher) voice, it didn't have much for range. The male voices sounded much like the female voices and the voices of different characters also sounded very similar.

Mindy Lou's Book Review says

Narrator Review: Alexandra Fisher

Distinguishable between characters: 5 Stars

Impersonating opposite sex: 5 Stars

Accents: N/A

Any critiques: None

Overall enjoyment of Performance: 4 Stars

Recommend audible version: Yes

Borrowed on Audible Romance Package

Story Review:

Another well written shorty. For some reason the Hero's in this series aren't drawing me in like usual. I still liked it and enjoyed it.

Vanessa theJeepDiva says

Cindy doesn't bother with long term relationships any longer. She learned long ago in a painful way that a mate will never be part of her life. She is content with finding no strings partners for a quick tumble. When she meets Elias at a friend's wedding she believes that is exactly what she is getting. After all Elias is just there for the wedding or so she believed.

Elias is more than happy for his friend and his recent mating. The trip to the wedding soon turns into more than just a trip when he is offered a job. The trip just keeps getting better for him when the sexy jaguar shifter he has been watching shares an instant attraction and is more than eager to quickly become more intimate.

The circumstances behind Elias and Cindy's initial hook up allows for the romance to progress at an accelerated rate while staying believable. Cindy and Elias are easily likeable and make a great pair. Elias is one of the most laid back alphas I have read outside of humorous romances. He is fairly easy going and will do anything to make the woman he knows is his mate happy. The characters from the past books in this world make brief appearances, but they all still work as stand alones.

My only complaint (and it is a very minor one) was the abrupt and easy resolution to the evil doer of this tale. For the most part it is known from the moment this particular character steps on the page that he is the one causing trouble in Cindy's life. There was just not much conflict in the manner in which he is brought down and it all happens rather rapidly.

April says

Check out my other listens at Eargasms Audiobook Reviews

What a nice yummy little read!! I may have to get back in to Harlequins if they are anything like this! A great story filled to the brim with steam!! And oh boy do they deliver on the hot and heavy!!

I really liked Cindy from the start, bold and confident independent woman!! Love that! Sure she is dealing with a small insecurity but she does a great job of shaking it off!

Elias is a delicious Alpha-type wolf!! I love it when they have all that strength and dominance and still give in to their lady love!!

They really are a perfect match and compliment each other sweetly!!

The side story is ok, a touch on the predictable side. But this is short book so you can't expect things to get too complicated.

I listened to the audiobook and it was a super fast listen. I like the narrator but did not fall in love with her. She did a nice job with the voices I just could have used a bit more in the characterizations.

Mnms says

A short story about a shifter couple hit by the mating call and a stalker. I think it must be at least number 3 in a series (not that it doesn't work well as a stand-alone)

Nightwitch says

This was... fine. For a paranormal romance it wasn't terribly paranormal (the paranormal parts were the outlines - the hero moves to a new town because he is the second of the wolf-pack; there is some running around in jaguar and wolf form), and the basic plot was (a) commitment-phobic heroine (which I love) and (b) half-hearted stalker plot (which I hate). Definitely a lot of sex scenes, but I didn't feel particularly emotionally connected to either character. I did appreciate that (view spoiler).

Marie Andersson says

Katie has done it again!:)I really like the male characters that Katie is creating.:)Elias is tall,muscular,yummy and protective of Cindy.:)I like that Elias and Cindy are two different species (Elias is a wolfshifter and Cindy is a Jaguarshifter).This is a novella but Katie makes you interested from the first sentence.I recommend this to everyone who loves hot Alpha shifters!I also recommend the other novellas!:)

Tala says

This is a wonderful love story. Katie Reus can do more in a short story than I thought possible. I got to know the main characters and actually felt like I got a complete story. Again I wish it had been longer, but am looking forward to her next jaguar story.

Cindy and Elias are two people who thought they'd never mate and had come to terms with it as best they could. That is until their paths cross and they're hit with intense desire for each other. The sex is very steamy and Cindy and Elias balance each other nicely. Cindy deals with the hurt from her past with the love and acceptance of Elias. There is a bit of angst and a mystery to solve.

Also posted on Darker Passions

(I received a copy from author for an honest review.)

Marie Andersson says

I read this novella for the first time back in 2013. I still enjoy it! Katie writes yummy alpha men!?? Her paranormal romances are great!??

Amy R says

Sexy. Sensual. Sweet. Those are three words I would use to describe Heart of the Jaguar. As with the other Cravings by Katie, you get to see shifters meet, fall for each other, and overcome an enemy of sorts. They are perfect to read if you want to read a book that engages you and lets you forget the real world for a couple of hours.

In Heart of a Jaguar, Cindy isn't looking for a long term mate. She has been hurt in the past regarding something she can't change about herself, so she isn't going to allow herself to fall again. Elias is drawn to Cindy from the moment he meets her. Could this be his mate? He never thought he would find a mate, so he can't be sure. However, these two are undeniably drawn to each other. They share a passionate night together, just relying on their instincts and needs. What surprises them both is that this desire and need for one another is not sated after just one night. It grows into something more.

I love alpha wolves and strong jaguars. Cindy was a perfect match for Elias. She doesn't back down and keeps him on his toes - something he is learning to love about her. Katie does such a good job writing paranormal characters. You are able to understand them in a way that they almost seem real. The intimate scenes are very tasteful and appropriate to the characters and the story, and certainly hot! If you are looking for a sexy, paranormal romance, I recommend you try Heart of a Jaguar!

Barbara says

I enjoyed this fun, sexy, shifter read full of scorching hot chemistry and suspense.

Cindy, a jaguar shifter is the local doctor who is hoping to find a one-night, no-strings romp with a sexy stranger to satisfy her needs. Cindy thinks she's in luck when she meets Elias, a wolf shifter who not only meets her needs; he blows her socks off! But Elias is not passing through town, he's in town to stay as the new second-in-command to the local Alpha.

Elias knows it's the mating call and Cindy is his mate. As he begins pursuing her, strange "accidents" appear to be targeted toward Cindy and Elias is determined to find and stop whoever is trying to harm her. Will Elias be able to keep Cindy safe? Will Cindy be able to resist Elias and the mating call?

Recommended read.

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Maura says

[she's infertile (hide spoiler)]
