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Special Agent Hugh Cranford, better known as Sport, is conducting an off-the-record investigation. He's after Danny O'Sullivan, a spy rumored to have assisted in the ambush of Sport's former SEAL team. Danny claims he and Sport are on the same side, and the real traitor is the man Sport is working for. But Danny is a master manipulator. He's also the most seductive man Sport has ever met. Sport can't help being attracted to him, but that doesn't mean he's willing to trust him.

In his quest to bring down a few highly-placed traitors in the US government, Danny O'Sullivan has been keeping tabs on Sport. When Sport comes looking for him, Danny decides to bring Sport in on his secret mission and into his bed. Sport may not trust Danny, but he wants him. As the two men risk their lives to complete Danny's mission, they discover neither is as strong as they like to pretend.

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# From Reader Review Unexpected Trust for online ebook

## Stacey says

### Hard to get into.

I normally love this author, but this book hardly held my attention. Honestly I just read it as fast as I could because I hate to waste my money. I never got attached to the main characters, there was no background really, I just never really had any feelings other than relief that it was over. Hate wasting money.

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## Nic says

Unexpected Trust follows nicely from the first book, continuing the story of the incident in the jungle. But it isn't a smooth wrapping up of loose ends— this is a story full of mystery, intrigue and danger.

Throw in characters that are tough, sexy and just a little bit damaged and you have a great military man story!

I developed a soft spot for Sport in book 1 so was very happy to get to know him more in this story, and when paired with Danny - sizzling!

I loved the little touches of humour...

*Danny jerked awake. Someone was pounding on the door. He reached under his pillow for his gun, but it wasn't there. Fuck! He grabbed a heavy lamp and eased out of bed, not making a sound.*

*"Are you two going to sleep all fucking day? I get that you're exhausted after last night's performance, but we need to start early if we're going to save the world today."*

and

*"...I'd be a fool to think about anything beyond sex with Danny when there was no chance of things lasting past the end of the mission."*

*"Be careful, and don't make assumptions."*

*"I don't believe he'll turn into a sweet guy and we'll get married and have lots of little spy babies."*

I am thoroughly enjoying the series so far and am now waiting patiently for the next installment - Simon and Edgar?

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## Candice says

I liked the story, but honestly I didn't care for Danny and Sport's "relationship". Something just felt off. Maybe the whole trust thing? Maybe the roughness of their sex with no real tender moments mixed in to balance it? I don't know. I just didn't like them together. :(

Can't wait to read about Simon though! YAY!

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## Love Bytes Reviews says

3.5 STARS

Reviewed by Vicki

Yeah! Sport gets his own adventure.... And what an adventure it is!

Sport is a former SEAL, now FBI agent, who just manages to follow the rules. Barely. He went running to Jackson's rescue with a team of FBI agents, even though he thought he was crazy. Now he knows Jackson wasn't imagining things, something did happen in the jungle. But there's not much he can do about it. Until his boss sends him to work under the Assistant Director of the Counterterrorism Division, Mike Arthurs. Arthurs sends him out on his own, on a secret mission to stalk Danny O'Sullivan, who may be involved in the jungle mess. Sport heads out, but it all smells a bit fishy to him. He tracks down the man he is told is hip deep in the mess, to see what he's up to. Danny O'Sullivan, super spy, and club owner. He finds Danny at the club he owns, breaks in to his office, and promptly gets caught.

Danny is a sneaky dude and was harder to pin down... He's a spy, working for someone doing something. He's a bad-ass, lots of training like Sport and Jackson, super sneaky, but we don't really get to know much about him. He somehow was involved in the mess in the jungle that hurt Jackson and killed their SEAL team mate, and wants to bring down the men who are responsible. He has been working on his own a long time, building up evidence and watching Sport. He's watched him, and is attracted to him, but needs him as part of this takedown plan he's been building. Unfortunately Sport jumps the gun and breaks in to his office, forcing Danny to involve him sooner than he would have. They don't have quite enough evidence so will need to work together to get more. But Sport doesn't believe Danny is on his side and will take some convincing.

I had a hard time getting in to this book and I'm not really sure why. I liked Sport and Danny for the most part, they are a good match physically, both had some similar emotional baggage, and their sex was pretty explosive. I liked that Jackson and Addy were in it so much. I liked Simon, the new addition to the story. I think it was the plot that was the problem for me. It was a lot of story that never went anywhere, lots of talking about what to do, but not a lot of doing. Everything was too easy. Danny walks in to the the FBI headquarters, goes in the Arthurs office and walks right out. Even with FBI agents after him, he doesn't get caught. I didn't buy it. Then after all the talk about trying to bring down the bad guys the solution was too easy and anticlimactic. I didn't understand why Danny needed Sport, why he waited so long, then why he freaked out and took off on his own.

I liked the tension between Sport and Danny, they walked that line between like and hate for quite a while. I wasn't sure about Danny, you think he's a good guy, but there was this little bit of a question in my mind, wondering if he really was. Sport questions it too, repeatedly, adding to the tension. The sex between them was pretty intense, mostly I liked it, but the dialog got a little cheesy now and then. But it was hot and naughty! I think I liked watching the relationship between them aside from the plot better than I liked the plot. The plot influenced them, created the tension, and the anger, but the emotional relationship that grows between them, and their need for rough sex was more interesting and enjoyable for me than the big plot. I'm not sure if that makes sense or not.

It wasn't a bad story, it was good, it just wasn't great. I almost feel like the plot was too big, I liked the first book better because it was tight and easy to follow. I did like it though. I liked Sport and Danny very much, I liked the sex, I liked the concept of the plot, it was just the details I had an issue with...

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## **V says**

I have mix feelings with this sequel, I was very happy to found out this sequel was longer, however, longer doesn't necessarily means that it's better.

I like the plot, but things were left unfinished as the first book.

The romance part of the story left me cold as a cucumber.

Some people like to read about rough sex, and they find it hot, in my case I hate that shit, rough sex in my opinion is selfish and careless and I dislike it.

Hence my rating, I dislike this guys too much.

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## **ItsAboutTheBook says**

*Review can be read at It's About The Book*

I was so happy to see a sequel to the first book in this series coming out. This book ticks so many of my boxes even if I didn't already like this author I'd have picked this one up. Ex military men turned Federal agents going rogue to fight bad guys? That pretty much screams pick me up. To me anyway. Book two picks up after book one, so you will need to read the first book or you'll miss out on so much.

Without giving away too much of book one, Sport's black ops team was ambushed by a violent and powerful drug cartel in the jungle which resulted in the death of one of their men. The bad part is it was an inside job. Things come back to haunt the remaining members of the team in book one and just continue into the second. Book two is following a new couple. Sport and Danny.

Sport is given a hush hush assignment out of the blue. Being loaned out for solo ops isn't out of the norm for Sport, but something is off about this one. He's sent to watch and gather information on a person of interest, Danny O' Sullivan. Their first meeting is in an alley watching each other get off with twink. The second is when Danny busts Sport rummaging through his private office. They butt heads right away, but they also feel the spark of lust between them. When Danny starts suggesting that the man from his agency who sent Sport to watch him may have much more sinister plans it tickles his gut feeling that something isn't right. Sport knows, however, there is no reason in the world he should trust Danny. Then Danny saves his life further confusing which side of this fight Sport should attach himself to. His gut tells him to ride it out with Danny to at least find out what he knows. If only it were that simple.

Danny and Sport were really sexy as a couple! Some of the rough and bossy sex scenes were insanely hot. I also love their potty mouths. Danny is a constant flirt with an Irish accent. Which brings out a new and not so welcome jealous side to Sport. Oh and Danny is dangerous. He's brilliant at the spy game. Witty and sexy. Danny is constantly pushing and daring Sport to do something about their attraction. Danny also has to get Sport to trust him because somebody is out to get him. Sport is put in a hard place from the beginning. He's finding himself working alone after years of working with a team. He has no idea who to trust. What he

knows is somebody is trying to kill him, use him or set him up. On top of that, He's stuck with a smart ass man whom he wants more than any man he's ever met. I think what I liked about these characters were their hard and soft moments. Both men are basically rogue for a majority of the book. Both are very good at their jobs so they have that tough capable kind of thing going on. Then there are the moments they show their weaknesses. I actually loved these tender vulnerable moments. Sometimes I honestly find these moments in romances can come off ass cheesy, but I think this author lends a very authentic feel to those scenes. I believe these bad ass guys can really hurt that bad and love that hard. Really just amps up how I feel about the characters which as a result pulls me into the story.

I don't think there was any real question who I trusted as the story went along. It is a romance after all, but it was certainly intense at times. Connecting the dots of who and why all the characters are connected had me intrigued the entire book. I loved the characters. We get quite a bit of page time with Jackson and Addy from book one. Jackson is just as brutally honest and gruff as ever. It was nice to see him happy and healing with Addy's help. We meet a new character Simon who is delightfully playful but insightful with obvious regrets and a reckless attitude when it comes to his life. I'm thinking his book is next and it's set up beautifully in Unexpected Trust. I would love to have it in my hands right now. I want to know what happened?!?! I will absolutely continue reading this series. It's one of my favorites from this author. :D

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### Leda says

Really enjoyed this book! I really liked Sport when he was introduced in the first book of the series. I was happy he got his own book. And I absolutely **loved, loved, loved** Danny! I love my flawed MCs, and these guys have it in spades! Damaged military men just do it for me! And these guys are so damn hot together! They were well matched and just sexy as hell! I'm glad they gave the relationship a-go.

My only complaints: the book just ends too abruptly (like the 1st one) for my liking. Also, I'm not a huge fan of the name Sport.

Looking forward to reading Simon's book next.

4.5 stars

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### Jennifer?Pher? says

Meh...I was going to go with 4★'s, I am kind of wavering. I dunno. What I can tell you is that I like the series and have a good idea who is next and can't wait. I just feel this one kind of wrapped up and lost its momentum. It was kind of all over the place?? Again, I like the series and as long as there are more I will read them.

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### Didi says

1.65 stars

**\*\*scratches head\*\*** Damn me for doing this to myself!

To recap what I just read in a pretty fast pace story:

- Enemies to lovers
- Spook-romance \*\*a dash of Bourne/Bond wannabe perhaps\*\*
- Macho tough guy MCs \*\*I pictured cute Rambo with crew cut /shudders/\*\*
- Secret and betrayal \*\*woohoo\*\*
- Spy conversation lingo \*\*blew raspberry\*\*
- Bawdy jokes and retorts
- Big bad powerful villains
- Dark past \*\*what's a spy without it\*\*
- Power/rough sex ~ LOTS of rough sex \*\*toppy clash | RAWRRR!!!\*\*
- True love \*\*cue the "aaawwww" and happy sigh\*\*

But that's just me. Someone else might love this more than I do.

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## Catherine says

So... It took me nearly a week to finish this book. In case you don't know me that well, that's never a good sign. Here's a brief rundown of why this book failed to capture - and hold - my attention:

- Spec Ops and Spook characters that *instantly* trust each other? Really? If you believe that, I've got a bridge I can sell you... (In fairness, there were moments of distrust or uncertainty, but they were brushed aside and dealt with so easily that they might as well not even have been there)
  - deliciously rough sexy times, but few tender moments to balance the ferocity
  - the author's treatment of PTSD (it felt underdeveloped, gimmicky, and not particularly well-researched)
  - a plot that *should* have probably worked, but something about its frenetic energy made me feel like I was watching a game of pinball.
  - an MC named Sport (sooooo not sexy, people!)
  - too much energy spent on Jackson and Addy's relationship. Don't get me wrong, I love catching up with characters from previous books in a series as much as the next girl, but I'd say that in this case it pulled the focus dramatically from the main characters and *their* relationship
  - writing that wasn't *bad*, but didn't blow me away with its awesomeness and nuance either
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## DaisyGirl says

DNF'ed at 15%.

The first exchange between Sport and Danny was ... stupid. I don't like stupid. I don't believe that a trained SEAL/FBI agent would - at their very first meeting and without any evidence - take the word of his mark and

trust him. Stretches the bounds of reason, to the breaking point, for me.

Aaaaand, I'm done.

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## **T.K. Paige says**

Let me start off by saying I loved this book...LOVED IT!

Let me list the reasons

- 1: Fast paced, well thought out plot
- 2: Danny
- 3: Sport
- 4: Danny
- 5: great supporting characters (I'm ready for Simon & Edgar's book now Silvia)
- 6: Danny
- 7: Advances the continuing plot arc wonderfully
- 8: Danny

Did I mention Danny? He is my favorite, a man that has given up his own personal morals knowingly so he can hold to a larger purpose. One that believes he has sold his soul for. He has accepted the toll that it has taken from him and is determined to complete his mission no matter the cost to him personally.

Sport is a wonderful match for Danny. He has a more black and white code that he holds himself to and is tormented by what he sees as his failure to uphold it.

These two fit so amazingly well together that the fast developing relationship is believable.

I loved having Jackson around and if I hadn't liked Addy so much I would've been hoping for a menage because of the rapport between the three men....And when Simon showed up...The way the characters interacted just made wish all the books in the series were out so I binge read them to the finish.

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## **booklover says**

\*Copy received for honest review\*

Reviewing for "One Click Aholics Book Group"

This book was a lot better than the first one for a number of reasons. The fact that it was longer really helped and i felt that the characters were able to shine more, and that the story was able to grow more. It was action packed, fast paced at times as well as emotional, and i loved the fact that in this we find out what happened to Rodriguez from book one too.

Sigh.....Sport and Danny. Where to start with this complex, and stubborn pair. So we met Sport in book 1 and know that he was on the mission with Jackson which went wrong, and we also know that just like Jackson he also suffers from some PTSD (nightmares, flashbacks etc).When he's called in by his boss, Arthurs, to follow someone who is claimed to know about and have been involved in the mission which injured Jackson something feels "off" to Sport but he doesn't know what or why. Danny is the guy he's sent to watch and



gather intel on but Danny's not all he seems to be and has information for Sport, ABOUT Sport that spooks him putting him on an even higher alert. Little does he know that Danny's been expecting him and know who sent him and why. This leads to some major problems as Sport finds it hard to trust Danny due to what he's been told about him. But there's something else, something more, when they're together or in close proximity all they want to do is rip each others clothes off !! This is also something that neither of them can cope with as they don't do relationships and rarely go back to anyone for seconds. Things start to go wrong though and what follows is one hell of an action packed angsty and emotional read especially when Danny basically goes rogue as he's sick of feeling like he can't do anything. Once everything is sorted though will they finally admit that what they'd had was more than just "great sex" or will they both stay stubborn and try to move on without each other??

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## **Serena Yates says**

After the action-packed intensity of book one in the series, I thought I'd be prepared for the sequel. But even though I sort of knew what I was in for, the characters, tension, and increasing threats lurking in the background still got to me. All the undercover and black ops shenanigans, not knowing whom to trust, and having two more good men caught up in it all certainly made for good reading. Jackson and Addy from book one are back, which I loved, but the focus is on Sport, an ex-SEAL and one of Jackson's team mates, and Danny, a secretive operative working for an "unidentified agency" who seems overly knowledgeable about the situation that started it all: the SEALs losing a team member during a mission in the jungle due to treason by someone high up in the government working with a drug lord.

Sport used to be a SEAL, working with Jackson, and now that he's looking for a quieter life, has a position with the FBI. He tries to do the right thing, and for a while the nightmares and occasional flashbacks are the only reminders of who he used to be. But coming to Jackson's aid when the man was about to be assassinated by an unidentified enemy seems to have forces in motion that might just destroy him after all. Whoever was after them in the jungle has not given up and they are still in danger. Suddenly the "quiet job" at the FBI vanishes, never to be seen again, and Sport finds himself in the thick of the action, manipulated and seduced by Danny—who is temptation personified. Eventually, he has to face the fact that he is vulnerable and as human as the next guy. Not easy for a tough SEAL like him!

Danny is after the government officials who are working for the drug lords. He has his own reasons, which he cannot disclose, so he hides behind one of his many personas when he tried to get Sport to help him not only bring down the immediate culprits, but the even higher-ups he knows to be pulling their strings. So deep in hiding he cannot even remember who he really is on some days, Danny has his own issues with the past and no reason to expect Sport to trust him. He still wants him though, even if he cannot admit how much or why.

If you like stories about wounded heroes who won't admit in how much need of psychological support and love they are, if you enjoy reading about an ex-SEAL who desperately tries to avoid falling for a manipulative spook, and if you're looking for an emotional, action-filled story with as many twists and turns as you'd expect from an action thriller, then you will probably like this novel.

NOTE: This book was provided by the author for the purpose of a review on Rainbow Book Reviews.

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## Gigi says

Oh, I was *so* excited to see this book come out, the second in the Unexpected series by Silvia Violet about a group of Navy SEALs who *physically* survived an ambush during a overseas mission, but who are now psychologically traumatized by the events that killed one of their teammates. I loved the first book Unexpected Rescue and gave it 5 stars and put it on my favorites shelf, but while I enjoyed the second book, Unexpected Trust, it didn't dazzle me like the first one did.

Unexpected Trust tells the story of retired Navy SEAL and current FBI Agent MC Hugh "Sport" Cranford. He is assigned to a super-duper-top-secret mission that his FBI handler is not even briefed about and sent off on his own. His mission is to watch and make a connection between known spy MC Danny O'Sullivan and one of the men known to have orchestrated the ambush on his SEAL team many years ago. It turns out Danny has taken an interest in Sport's work as an FBI Agent and knows he is coming and the sexual tension starts from the moment these men make eye contact. And, damn if they aren't hot as Hades together! But I had a hard time understanding just where these two were coming from and where they were they were eventually going. It made for some impersonal sex for me, which I don't really care for, hot or not. \*shrugs\*

I read this one in one sitting, late at night, so I lost part of the spy/military/FBI/CIA story towards the end. I'm telling you that because I think the fault was mine, not Ms. Violet's. I couldn't put this one down! I needed a resolution to Sport and Danny's relationship before I could sleep so my groggy brain failed me.

I am really enjoying this series (I kind of have a thing for damaged military boys) and am excited for the next one. I can **recommend** this one to me fellow M/M romance military fans, yes, but if you haven't read Unexpected Rescue, I'd read that one first. It was better than this one and will help explain a lot of what is happening in this book. Yes, this *can* be read as a stand alone, but you'll lose a lot of the back story and everything about Jackson and Addy's relationship if you don't read Unexpected Rescue first.

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