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The road to hell is paved with good intentions...

Apple “Core” Drew needs The Uncertain Saints MC like he needs air. He is barely making it through the day, and each one that goes by takes him closer and closer to hell. Literally, not figuratively.

He’s a half breath away from killing himself—maybe not by taking his own life, but he’s not against making someone else do it for him.

Then he meets her. One of his club member’s sister, and his whole outlook on life changes.

And not for the better.

Just as surely as he ruined his life, he ruins her life, too. One lapse in judgement on his part, and his one night of happiness turns into the worst nine months of his life.

Which he would’ve thought was damn near impossible with the things he’s done and seen.

She never saw it coming...

It was the beard. The beard made her do it.

That is a good excuse for having sex with a man she barely knows, isn’t it?

Yeah, who was she kidding? It wasn’t the beard. It was the way he looked so dejected and solemn. The sad look in his eyes pulls her in, and the way his rough hands touch her makes her stay.

All she wants to do is take that look out of his eyes, but the consequences to her actions only make things worse, not better.

One day is all she gets, and he’s not willing to give her more.

Until she dies, that is. Then it’s too late.

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Baseballmom says

3 Disappointed stars.....d:(

Okay, that was different. Now, there's good different and then there's bad different. Which one is this? Well.... I can't decide. I'm a long time fan of LLV and pretty auto buy all her books, but this one left me wanting. I liked Kitt and Apple, as well as the premise of the story, but it seemed to just skim the surface for me. For a book told in dual POV; there's a lot of info we don't get. We're told how broken Apple believes himself to be. Additionally, we're told he was a soldier with PTSD, was a cop in LA, that there was a horrible incident with his best friend and he moved to Podunk, Tx because his dad thought it would be good for him to join the Uncertain Saints MC. Now you know all about Apple, oops I forgot, apparently he gets so caught up with quick frantic sex (with Kitt) that he can't remember to use condoms. Oh yeah, about two thirds of the way through we get one sentence where he tells Kitt that he has depression, takes meds, but ran out and that's why he's acting a little off. NOW, you know ALL about Apple. It never really went into depth or expounded how these events helped to shape his life.

Kitt has seizures, but we really don't know why, just that she "zones out" for about thirty seconds when she has one, until she's pregnant, then they go all haywire. There's never any details about how it has affected her life; just that when she gets the bad ones during her pregnancy, Apple holds her for hours while she sleeps. Somewhere between 2/3 and 3/4 of the book we miraculously get a sentence that Kitt and Ridley have a brother (Ridley's twin no less) he's not well liked (no clue why) and Ridley got the exact same tattoo as his twin so he could go undercover in a prison for a month.

As far as the romance went, well, I didn't really see it or feel it. They have unprotected sex a couple of times and bam she's pregnant. They didn't really date and weren't together as a couple for more than half of the book. The "mystery" aspect of the story was not only obvious but felt rushed. I thought the whole thing kinda felt disjointed and lacked depth.....d:(

Lu Bielefeld *read.laugh.love* says

#favoriteauthor #recommend #FiveStars #biker

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Resenha em português e inglês. Review in Portuguese and English.

Primeiro eu gostaria de agradecer a autora pela cópia antecipada.

Ela é uma das minhas autoras favoritas e eu leio tudo que ela escreve.

Eu não vou entrar muito em detalhes para não estragar a leitura de vocês, mas a história é ótima e vale a pena ser lida.

Os membros do Uncertain Saint's MC são todos unidos por situações extremas, cada um deles é problemático e com uma história triste e bem pesada. O clube acaba sendo o porto seguro e a família buscada por cada um deles. Um por um vai encontrando a mulher que vai preencher e completar cada um deles. Neste livro temos a história de Core e Kitt.

Core é um veterano de guerra destruído física e emocionalmente, deprimido e com tendências suicidas e que está como prospecto no clube. Nós sabemos que a vida de um prospecto não é fácil, eles passam por todo tipo de provação até serem aceitos como membros efetivos do clube. Um dos membros que antipatiza com Core é Ridley, irmão de nossa heroína. Ridley torna a vida de Core bem difícil no clube.

Core encontrou no clube um propósito para continuar vivendo e acha que não merece mais nada da vida. Core não se acha merecedor de felicidade porque ele sobreviveu e o amigo dele não.

Kitt tem uma doença em que ela sofre de ataques onde perde a consciência o que deixa Ridley muito preocupado e a vigiando 24 horas. Kitt só quer ter uma vida normal onde as pessoas esqueçam um pouco de sua condição médica e a aceitem como a pessoa vibrante e cheia de vida que ela é. Ela só quer ser normal como qualquer garota da idade dela.

Os dois acabam se envolvendo e Core tenta ficar longe dela achando que não é bom o suficiente. Mas nossa heroína está determinada a encontrar a felicidade e ela quer que Core faça parte da vida dela.

Kitt demorou um pouco para convencer Core que os dois foram feitos um para o outro. Cada um quebrado e problemático, mas que juntos se tornam fortes e mais felizes. A jornada foi por vezes difícil e outras vezes hilária, mas muito empolgante. Eu gostei muito da heroína, porque apesar da doença ela não se deixou abater e foi em busca da felicidade. Ela foi incansável na busca da felicidade com Core.

Neste livro descobrimos um pouco mais sobre Ridley e as circunstâncias em que ele perdeu a esposa e também sobre outro membro da família. Estou curiosa sobre a história dele.

A história é muito bem escrita e contamos com a participação dos outros membros do clube, cenas muito emocionantes, um pouco de mistério e suspense, tudo muito bem dosado para prender a atenção do leitor. As cenas quentes entre os heróis são perfeitas.

First I would like to thank the author for the advance copy.

She's one of my favorite authors and I read everything she writes.

I won't go much into details so as not to spoil the reading of you, but the story is great and is worth to be read.

The members of the Uncertain Saint's MC are all bound together by extreme circumstances, each of which is quite problematic and with a sad and heavy story. The Club ends up being the safe haven and the family sought by each of them. One by one will find the woman who will fill out and complete each one of them. In this book we read the story of Apple "Core" Drew and Kitt.

Core is a veteran of war destroyed physically and emotionally, depressed and suicidal and he is starting as a prospect at the Club. We know that the life of a prospect is not easy, they go through all kinds of trials until they are accepted as full members of the Club. One of the members who dislikes Core is Ridley, brother of our heroine. Ridley makes his life hard at the Club.

Core found in the Club a purpose to continue living and he thinks he doesn't deserve any more of life. Core doesn't think he's deserving of happiness because he survived and his friend did not.

Kitt has a disease where she suffers seizures that she loses consciousness which leaves Ridley very worried and watching her 24 hours. Kitt just wants to have a normal life where people forget about her medical condition and accepting her as vibrant and full of life person that she is. She just wants to be normal like any girl her age.

The two become involved and Core tries to stay away from Kitt thinking he's not good enough for her. But our heroine is determined to find happiness and she wants Core part of her life.

Kitt took a while to convince Core that the two were made for each other. Each one of them broken and problematic, but that both together become stronger and happier. The journey was sometimes hard and sometimes hilarious, but very interesting. I really liked heroin, because despite the disease she didn't let it get to her. She was tireless in pursuit of happiness with Core.

In this book we find out a little more about Ridley and the circumstances in which he lost his wife and also know about another family member. I'm curious about his story.

The story is very well written and we have the participation of other members of the Club, very exciting

scenes, a little mystery and suspense, all very well dosed to hold the reader's attention. The hot scenes between the heroes are perfect.

Ally says

What. Fresh. Hell. Is. This?

Who are these people? And what the f*ckity F8ck are they doing? I simply cannot further pollute my brain. This is me, NOT the author. This is not my world and these are not my people. And the fact that I may have tried to make this my world...well..

Danielle says

5 SMOOCHEES!!

I read and reviewed this book on behalf of **RED CHEEKS READS**.

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Gi's Spot Reviews says

4.25 Stars

Bad Apple let us into Apple and Kitt's story, and it's quite a ride...

They are both broken souls, each in his/hers own way, but when they meet something special happens, and they soon realize it, but also fight it. Sure, they give in to their physical attraction, but letting themselves go and trust, is a whole new matter. But they were also aware it was near to impossible mission.

She'd be hell on the heart, that was for sure.

**She may want just a one night stand, but I wasn't one to fool myself.
This, what we had, was explosive.**

Apple is the prospect of the Uncertain Saints, it comes with tasks and rules he's not so kin of, but it's the only thing that gives in him some sort of escape from his severe PTSM and an unforgettable and horrific event that happened in his past that doesn't allow him to move on and live a normal life, or look forward for the future, sadly the exact opposite. That is until he meets Kitt. She really brought a new light into his life, the problem is how deeply engrained his trauma and scars have buried themselves in his mind.

But as I saw the bags under his eyes, I realized then that his wounds weren't superficial. They were deep, and they wanted to hold on and dig deeper.

And he'd been letting them fester.

Kitt is not with her own brand of problems. The fact that she's the sister of one of Apple's Uncertain Saints brothers, Ridley, may seem like the biggest obstacle for her and Apple's involvement, but it that is only a small part of the problem, on her hand. Kitt suffers from a very particular and dangerous health condition, which she keeps under wraps, as much as she can, but that it that's her brother's overprotectiveness to a whole new level. But she doesn't let that get in the way of her fighting for something she wants, and when she realizes that Apple his her future, she sure as hell is prepared to fight.

But one thing was for certain.

Over good food and lots of laughs, I fell deeply in love with Apple Drew.

And it sure is a rocky road! After their two times together and while Apple is already pushing her away, they find out she is pregnant (which is not the ideal situation in her condition), and that takes their situation a whole new level of problems and misunderstandings, which makes them both suffer immensely.

Because that was exactly how the next couple of months went.

Misunderstanding after misunderstanding.

I loved both characters so much! Sure, Apple really made me mad multiple times with is long lasting pushing away, but I understood why, and putting things in his perspective, he really didn't see a way to get out of his own head and dark thoughts. What made me forgive him and swoon was his complete devotion to Kitt, even while apart. I will not reveal too much, but he really was there for her throughout the whole pregnancy and heath problems, even if from the distance in most of the times. But I never doubted she was the center of his world, and how much he loved her.

“You smell good,” he growled. “And the answer to what’s gotten into me, is you. You’ve gotten into me. I can’t stop thinking about you. Your laugh. Your smell. Your taste. Your sense of humor. The way your eyes light up when you experience pleasure. Fucking everything about you has gotten into me, burrowed deep under my skin and won’t let me go.”

Kitt is an awesome character on her own. Sassy, smart and completely kickass! She doesn't let her health condition restrain her, and that's exactly how she faces life, completely head on! I adored that she fought for what she wanted, and that she never gave up on her biggest fight, for Apple and their love and life together. To bring him to the light! Because she couldn't be more right, she was the only one who could do do it. They were, after all, soul mates.

“But not a day has gone by, since I met you, that I haven’t thought about you. In fact, it would be safe to say not a single day has gone by where I haven’t thought about you several times. I can’t even tell you how many times I’ve wished you were there holding me at night. I’m damn tired, too, of fighting what I feel for you, and I honestly don’t want to do it anymore. I’m fucked up. Beyond fucked up.

You're fucked up. Apple, why can't we just be fucked up together?"

I had no doubt that they belonged together, and if you take into consideration what her bodies were telling them all that time, they were meant to be. They really were explosive together, the sex scenes were scorchingly hot and Apple sure had a deliciously dirty mouth on him... SO HOT!!!

"I want to fuck you," he whispered. "I want to bend you over that dresser, then shove my cock so far into your pussy that you feel it in your throat."

"I wish I could have my mouth on you and cock in you at the same time," he growled. "Taste you while I felt you around me all at once."

And those funny – hilarious, actually – rolling in the floor laughing moments?! Fantastic! Lani really is able to integrate the most assorted and end of the spectrum moments PERFECTLY, throughout the amazing development of the story and characters. One thing is always guaranteed, you will NEVER get bored reading one of her books! Yes, she is that spectacular!

"Does being your old lady come with a ring?" She batted her eyes sweetly.

I smiled at her.

"Fuck yeah it does," I said. "I have some chicken rings at my place we can cook up for dinner."

She slapped my arm in affront.

"That's not what I meant, and you damn well know it."

I absolutely loved this story – with Lani, I always do – and couldn't devour it fast enough. The only issues I had, hence not the five stars were that Apple's pushing away took, in my opinion, far too long, with created an too extended dark period of pain and suffering, in their behalf, in the book. The second point was the small OW drama (not even sure that is the correct word, given the small relevance), which definitely was not relevant or necessary for this amazing story. They had already too much problems to deal with, and since it had barely no impact, I didn't see the point in them. Apart from those minor issues, I really adored this two, and it was amazing to revisit the rest of the gang, and oh boy, I can't wait to read Ridley's story!!! Lani, you are such a teaser!!! I'm normally not a big fan of the dead spouse lover, but I seriously can't wait to read DIRTY MOTHER. November 3rd, can't come fast enough!!! <3

"I love you. I love you when you're you. I love you when you're not you. I love you when you're sick. I love you when you're healthy. I'd take care of you even if you were a quadriplegic. You're it for me, and I'm it for you. Got it?" I whispered.

She still didn't answer, but I wasn't worried. She'd come back to me. And when she did, she was mine. Forever.

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<http://gisspotreviews.com/index.php/2...>

Emily says

Apple "Core" Drew joined the Uncertain Saints MC because his father suggested it, he felt it would be an answer to his continued withdrawn state. Core didn't plan on meeting Kitt, she was beautiful and pure and not what he deserved. When Core and Kitt come together, however never thought that it would end with a pregnancy.

Kitt doesn't know what she needs to do to get through to Apple that he is the man for her. She accepts him for who he is flaws and all. It will take a bit of a shake up for Core to realize he can build something with Kitt, but will it be too late?

This was a bit of a surprise. I had put this one off but am so glad I picked it up. Core was an intriguing character, quite different than the heroes in the other books. Kitt is great, loved the banter with her brother Ridley. Another great read.

Maida»-(^v^)-» says

RATING: 2 Hearts

Sarah - Books to Breathe says

Let me just get this out of the way...I LOVE damaged heroes. The more damaged the better in my opinion. I love to watch them struggle with their feelings and hatred towards themselves and what they perceive as their shortcomings. Why, you ask? Because when they finally peek through the storm clouds to see the ray of sun shining brightly, they fall that much harder. They make every ounce of pain and every minute of angst worth it because they become a part of a love that is neverending. They begin a journey where you just know the worst is already past them. I feel like they appreciate the little things more and they love deeper. It's simply beautiful to witness, so much so that I sacrificed a night of sleep just to finish what I had started only a few hours prior. There aren't many authors I will forgo sleep for, but LLV is most definitely at the top of the list.

I absolutely loved the brother/sister relationship between Kitt and Ridley in this story. They playfulness and no holds barred razzing that can only come from siblings who've had a lifetime to learn each others quirks. I loved the fierce protectiveness that both men had for Kitt, even if at times they went about it in all the wrong ways. But I also loved that Kitt never backed down from them. She fought fearlessly for what she wanted, all the while maintaining her endearing snark. I loved how she and Apple clicked from the very beginning, as if they were two lost souls seeking their counterparts. She was just as damaged as he was and in each other they discovered their true selves. The only qualm I have is that we really didn't delve enough into Kitt and Ridley's family, but as Ridley is a member of the Uncertain Saints MC, I know he'll be getting his own story. I'm hoping in his, we will learn more whereas I feel it was just glossed over briefly in this one. I'm a sucker for a good backstory and I just know their family has one. Especially after the glimpses we received here.

Beyond the love story, I love the humor that LLV injects into even the tensest of situations. Wait until you read the last few chapters. I can promise you that you will never see it coming and I find myself wishing it was more detailed than it was. Needless to say, I was CRACKING up... I loved all the issues that this story touched that I felt hadn't been approached in any of her other books. There was a rawness to Apple's

emotions that can be incredibly hard to portray, but LLV did it in such an honest fashion that it brought tears to my eyes multiple times. I live for the moments where our main couple fights, but I love when them fight themselves even more. Apple was the king of that in this story and it only served to make me love him with a deeper intensity than when I began. I feel like this series keeps getting darker and darker with each installment and I can't get enough!

Libby Harrison says

<https://romanticcynicblog.wordpress.c...>

Beware of Spoilers!

Star Ratings:

Heroine (Kitt): 28yrs old

Hero (Apple/Core): 35yrs old

Plot: 2/5

Grovel: she should have made him grovel more

Cheating: none

HEA: yes with baby

Triggers: PTSD, Suicide attempt

Average score: 2.5/5

Best Line: nothing that stood out to me

Worst Line:H: "*It'll be fine. We'll figure this mess out*" – calling your baby a mess is a no-no

Personal Review:

This was a confusing romance between a hard-headed biker and a woman he gets pregnant.

Random Ramblings

•Oh my god, those pick up lines were so awful, they were funny!

•I don't think I've read a pregnancy romance where the h and H intentionally have unsafe sex AND don't want to have kids

•I love it when siblings torment each other – reminds me of my own family

•I started to feel like I was missing chunks of the story – maybe it's because the pacing was strange?

•I was expecting the H to step up when he realised she was pregnant but he didn't

•Having cameras in the bathroom and bedroom is fucking creepy, especially knowing it's your brother who set up the cameras

Overall Feeling:

Me throughout the story...

Annie says

I NEED A BAD APPLE!!! I loved Kitt and Apple's story..poor Apple has such ptsd, anxiety and depression...and he feels like he is not lovable!! Kitt has seizures and is very protected by her brother...these 2 together are electric!! I love that they got baby Emily...and I loved how Apple took such good care of Kitt...and I loved how she kicked some major ass at the end...dont mess with Kitt...you will regret it!!! I am on to book 5...this really is a great series...they get better and better!!

Red Cheeks Reads says

Bad Apple is the fourth addition to Lani Lynn Vale's Uncertain Saints MC series. This series is a bit darker and grittier than fans are used to seeing from Vale, but she's done a great job tackling the sensitive and difficult topics in this book while staying true to her unique writing style. Always well written, always full of surprises, steam and laughter, a Lani Lynn Vale novel is something I always look forward to.

Vale took on some hard subjects in this book, and she did them well. Apple "Core" Drew is a good guy battling some serious demons. He's heavy with nearly crushing guilt, and he has a hard time accepting the love, happiness and pleasure that Kit brings to his life. He struggles with it and pushes her away before he finally reaches out for the help that he needs. It's never easy for these badasses to admit a weakness, but Core does it. This type of situation isn't always pretty, and it can be downright brutal sometimes, but Lani seemed to find just the right balance in telling this story and portraying these characters realistically and genuinely while still delivering everything that her fans have come to love about her writing, her characters and their stories.

Kit is the sister of Ridley, an Uncertain police officer and a member of the Uncertain Saints MC. Having no other family but each other and the Saints members, the two of them are very close. Kit has a medical condition, and Ridley's taken steps to make sure that she'll always have help if she needs it. She meets Core, and she's smitten right away. Ridley isn't necessarily on board with a Kit and Core pairing, though, so Core's got some work to do there to sway his brother. With Kit, if it's not one thing, then it's another. Despite their best laid plans, though, neither Core nor Ridley could have been prepared for what lay ahead for Kit.

I really love this series, it's so different from anything Vale's done previously. I like that she's taking on these tough subjects, and I think she's doing a great job with them. In Bad Apple, she managed to soften the hard edges of Core's story with her trademark sense of humor. Let's be honest here, no Vale novel would be complete with it or those funny, quirky little quotes that kick off each chapter. Fans of Vale's, like me, greatly anticipate that banter and the antics of her heroes and heroines, along with the steamy build-up of her romances, and it's here in spades.

I love this series, I loved Core and Kit, and I can't wait for more Uncertain Saints. Lani Lynn Vale's Bad Apple get 5 smooches from me.

~ Danielle Palumbo

Ally says

Was it just me, or did too many events in the book go unexplained?

?Tonya? says

???? 4 Hot biker stars ????

The "Uncertain Saints" series is definitely a lot grittier than other books by Lani Lynn Vale that I've read. This book was no exception.

Apple was a broken man. He had experienced more in his life than most people had. He carried around so many painful memories. He was content to patch into the Uncertain Saints and get some sort control over his life. He meets Kitt at a club party and instantly feels an attraction. He is hesitant because not only is he emotionally damaged and not looking for any type of relationship whatsoever, but she is the sister of one of his club brothers who hates him.

Kitt suffered from health issues that held her back. She was unhappy with her life and longed for some control. She went to a club party because her brother, a club member, had been riding her to do so. That is where her world collided with Apple. What is supposed to be a ONS escalates to so much more.

- hot, biker alpha who suffered through so much
- feisty, likeable heroine
- sizzling sex scenes
- Apple pushed Kitt away A LOT. More pushing away than I prefer.
- ow drama (view spoiler)
- om drama (view spoiler)
- short epilogue but there are more books to come

I can't wait for more! I am sure her brother Ridley will get a story. He is hung up on his deceased wife and those books don't often work for me....curious to see how LLV does it.

Megan Fall says

I love all this authors books, this one was one of my favourites!

XxTainaxX says

Originally a DNF but I started listening to the other books in the series and thought I'd give it another go.

I didn't love it. But I realize that in my case LLV was an acquired taste that I happen to have well... acquired

lol

While this is my least fave of all her books that I've read, Apple has his unique charm so, alas, here we are at about a 2.5.
