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Danielle Bryan is ready to get back to her hometown of Mooresville North Carolina after college graduation, the place where she grew up and missed so much. It was the place she first fell in love but didn't know it until her true love returns home to settle his deceased father's estate. When she sees him again he has her heart beating a little faster. A childhood friendship is rekindled with true romance and steamy nights, revealing a love that has always been there.

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Christy says

3.5 Sweet Stars!?

Growing up, Timmy and Danielle were close. They were neighbors, best friends. Then, high school happened. Danni was popular, Timmy got labeled as the school geek. Although they grew apart, Timmy always held a special place in Danni's heart. Timmy's parent's got divorced in high school, and he moved away.

After several years away at college, Danielle comes home. She gets a job at her old school as a guidance counselor and is ready to start her life. Danni runs into Timmy, or TJ as he likes to be called now. TJ has changed. A lot. TJ is successful, sexy, and really grew into himself. He is more confident than he used to be. He knows what he wants. What he's always wanted. Danni.

Danni and TJ are adorable together. This story has very little angst and some steam. A sweet, sexy, light, and charming second chance romance story. It was a nice debut novel, friends to lovers story. My biggest issue was the predictability of the story line. If you are looking for a light, heartwarming, easy breezy book, give this one a go- it may be right up your alley!

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Tess Quarles says

I was blessed to be able to read this amazing book!! I download the book at 9:04pm and was done reading it by 12:20!! IT WAS THAT AMAZING!!! Its fast paced, funny, exciting,sad and the chemistry is WOW!! She doesn't drown you in the story, she gives just enough time keep turning the pages!! This is in my top favorite books I've read this year!! I can not wait for the next one!!! SO EXCITED!!! Thank You Jaclyn!!

Lheanne Spicer says

I absolutely LOVED this book!!! The story starts of kind of slow giving you some of the history between Danielle and TJ. Once you get into the story it pulls you in and you fall in love with the characters. TJ has got to be one of the best characters out there, who wouldn't want a man like him!! I would recommend this book to everyone!!!

The BookChick says

My Rating: ★★★½

GOOD: The characteristics of a 3 star book include: interesting characters, a decent storyline, and unique story elements; there was something about the story that I didn't completely connect with; the book is a solid read. I would recommend it to a friend.

This book was provided by the author for an honest review.

My Thoughts:

My Love At Last was a very sweet story and a quick read. We watch the characters as they grow from children to adolescents and finally adults. The story is a bit sad to see how Danielle and Timmy's (later TJ) story unfold. As children, they were neighbors and thick as thieves as children and even got "married" when they were just ten years old. But sadly, as often happens as children grow, they grew apart. Danielle became part of the "in crowd" while Timmy remained an often picked on nerdy outcast. Slowly, the friends drift apart and only have superficial (neighborly) interactions with each other. The divorce of Timmy's parents totally removes him from Danielle's life because he goes to live with his mother in California.

A high school graduation sends Danielle away to college but her college graduation brings her home again.

As fate would have it, Timmy has returned as well. But this version of Timmy is not the same boy that Danielle remembers. He now goes by TJ and the lanky, nerdy boy who once was has turned into a gorgeous and to-die-for sexy man.

After a series of false starts and a period of getting re-aquainted, the couple finally find love at last.

Contemporary and new adult romance lovers will enjoy this book. It was sweet and the story was presented very well. The only thing that I did not care for was the angst in the book. Danielle came across as immature and impetuous in a couple of instances. She would make these Grand Canyon sized leaps in her reactions to things and I just wanted to shake her...hard. *LOL* But, I am definitely not faulting Marulanda for that because that is often the way of youth so she wrote about them as they are. But, TJ was patient and persistent. He was also sexily impish at times too. I really enjoyed TJ's marriage proposal--the second one--and their look into the future after they are married with a baby in tow. I found the story to be very heartwarming and sweet. Great job by the author on this one.

Ratings Detail:

Rating for female protagonist: 3½★

Rating for male protagonist: 3½★

Steam Level: 3★

Plot Viability: 3½★

General Storyline: 3½★

Story Ending: 3½★

Ease of Reading: 3½★

Overall rating: 3½★

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Maria-Laura says

In the first place, I have to thank the author for giving me the opportunity to read this book.

I had a nice time while I read this book. It has a sweet story, nice and charismatic characters, a little bit of action and romance. For me, it was the perfect book for ending the summer holiday.

It's not a complex story, but neither simple. Jaclyn wrote the book well, but it's not perfect. It's almost perfect, at least for me. It's a kind of book that you imagine as a movie with nice actors. And I love that kind of books.

I liked seeing the progress of the characters. For example, I liked to see TJ growing from a weird kid with his robots in a man, full of confidence and success. I also liked to see the evolution of Danielle into a woman with a career and a strong "mother-daughter" relationship.

I loved TJ and Danielle's relationship. It was amazing to see the development of their relationship, all its ups and downs, but what I loved the most was the ending. It was perfect.

The title was also perfect for the book. The title made me read the book. After that the description. :D

In conclusion, I recommend this book, especially if you like sweet and funny stories. :)

Janice says

This book is one that you should read if you are looking for a sweet romance. It is a story with no big obstacles, just two childhood friends who find love. It's a story about how sometimes you find your soulmate as young children and don't know it until you get older. I really enjoyed the story of TJ and Danni. It was nice to read a romance that wasn't written with tragedy and drama. There are small obstacles that do emerge in the course to their HEA, but they are every day obstacles. Misunderstandings, location issues (jobs, traveling), etc. So, if you are looking for a sweet, tender romance I highly recommend this book. You will finish this book with a good feeling and a smile on your face.

A copy of this book was given to me by the author in exchange for an honest review.

Eskimo Princess Jenkins says

Decent book/story. I felt that the word "perfect" was overused extremely in this book. I was so sick of seeing that word by the half way point that I almost wanted to stop reading and Scream!

And I am glad to be done reading just so I don't have to see TJ say "you are so beautiful" or "beautiful" that was overdone as well. Yes TJ had been in love with Danni (Danielle) since they were like 9 but OMG.

I was thinking this story wasn't so bad, I can really enjoy this- until I got to the first sex scene. It was like the author was trying way to hard. It was just down right annoying.

I never got why Danni never spoke up to defend TJ or tell people to leave him alone when they were in school, yet she claimed she felt bad about what they did. And she claimed to have such a connection to him. TJ was overboard when they saw each other for the first time after about 6 years. Like borderline harassment.

Jeanette Book-Reviews says

3.5 stars

Tiffany Reed says

5 Awesome Stars

This for me was a fantastic end of the summer read , I absolutely loved it !

Danni and Timmy grew up next door to each other best friends up until high school they drifted apart. high school goes by in a flash , college time comes around , Danni goes one way and Timmy the other .

could you imagine leaving your best friend and not knowing whether you will ever see them again .well go get yourself a copy and go find out what happens :) I can't wait for you to how it all plays out .

Michelle says

ARC provided by author for honest review

My Love At Last by Jaclyn Marulanda is a quick romantic read. If you like stories of childhood friends getting a second chance at love then this book is for you.

This book was simply a straightforward book about two childhood friends, Danielle and TJ. Danni and TJ were very close growing up but once they reach high school, they drifted apart. TJ secretly loved Danielle when they were growing up but could never had the guts to profess his love to her. Danni, the popular girl dated the high school jock whereas TJ was labeled the geek.

After a couple of years has passed, TJ, the once geeky nerd grows up to be a successful, wealthy and handsome business owner. When TJ visits his hometown, he runs into Danni. Sparks and instant attractions erupts. From then on, TJ and Danni begins a whirlwind romance. TJ finally gets the girl of his dreams and the HEA.

MY THOUGHTS:

It's definitely a quick read and great for all those romantics who likes a sweet HEA. The plot was straightforward and very predictable. Personally, i love to read books that's about childhood best friends becoming lovers but this book didn't live up to my expectation. I just couldn't connect to the characters as much as I wanted to. The delivery of dialogue was meh. (not bad but not great). At times, I felt like Danni was still in high school in the way she communicated with TJ. A heartwarming story but it didn't leave me yearning for more of TJ and Danni so I would rate this book a 3 at best.

Cafebiblioart says

First of all, I would like to thank the author for giving me the chance to read this book.

Secondly, this book was an interesting read, it is the type of book you can really enjoy on a rainy day with a cup of coffee/tea in your hands or while on a trip.

The story is not very complex, but it is far from simple. The book is well written, but overall it is not exceptional. The book was really nice, but that's about it so you shouldn't expect more than a cute, sweet love story.

I really liked seeing TJ chancing from an awkward teenager into a confident and successful man. He was a bit arrogant in the beginning which I found pointless. I totally understand his behavior, but he should have acted that way with jerks like Jackson and never with Danielle. I am really glad that after a short time he started resembling his old self up to a certain point. It made him more lovable. Even from the beginning, there was no doubt that he was a great and kind man, I just did not know how much he would change with time.

Danielle is your typical woman. I did find anything special about her. She went from being semi- popular in high school to being your average young woman. She has a career and a close relationship with her mother, a few friends here and there and that's about it. I am not criticizing her, even though it might seem so.

I loved Danielle and TJ's relationship. I liked how it started and I loved how it developed. They are really cute together.

I like the cover because it fits the book, but I like even more the title.

In conclusion, you should give this book a try, especially if you like love stories.

Sheila Brannan lake says

This is a great story line. It had a few ups and downs on the emotional train, not so many twists and turns. A beautiful romance. I loved the conflict between TJ and Jackson. Great sexual chemistry. An all around great story.

Jacqueline's Reads says

4 Adorable Stars

My Love At Lasts is an adorable pleasurable read that will have you awing and sighing throughout.

Danielle and T.J. are childhood friends. Danielle is the popular girl with the perfect jock boyfriend and best friend. T.J is the nerdy lanky guy that gets picked on a daily basis, especially from Danielle's boyfriend. Years later, after college, Danielle moves back home and runs into her old friend T.J who is nothing like the nerdy lanky guy she knew growing up. T.J. is given a second chance to win back his high school crush and he has a lot of ammo to back up his game.

I love second chances type of reads and I also love adorable reads. If you are looking for a light hearted book

with some cutesy moments then My Love At Last is for you.

Lord, help me get through this lunch without going into heart failure because this man is killing me with his looks and those to die for eyes.

First off, there are no flashbacks, My Love At Last starts out with Danielle and T.J in high school and it kind of paints a picture of how they interacted back then. I would say, Danielle isn't so much a "mean girl" as she kind of turns a blind eye when T.J. gets picked on and you kind of feel for him.

When Danielle comes back into town years later and meets up with T.J. I really liked the small tension they had. T.J. doesn't really make her squirm (which I wish he did a little), but lord, he's kind of alpha male and it's nice. Let's just say, you don't have to wait too long to get to the steam.

At that moment I knew I was done for. TJ could do whatever he wanted to me and I would be lost in him.

There are a few obstacles to give Danielle and T.J. some tension, but overall the read is smooth and light. What worked for me is T.J. I liked him. Call me a big of softy, but I LOVE NERDY guys, heck, I wished he wore emo glasses!

This man could be so frustrating and so sexy at the same time.

I may have been a pussy in high school, but I'll be the one getting hers tonight, while you're sitting at home probably with your football shit all around you wishing you were with her.

I can see how he would have a huge crush on Danielle, who wouldn't want to date the pretty popular girl? And, I feel like Danielle really grew as a character and you can see she felt bad for never really helping T.J. out as a young kid. Towards the end, she did frustrate me a bit when she became a bit "dramatic", but overall, like I said, My Love At Last is a light, fun, romantic read with a few steamy bits to keep you interested.

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Kanae says

When I think of My Love at Last, I instantly think of the Revenge of the Nerds franchise. Didn't you love that? Didn't you love that Lewis eventually ended up with Betty? Well if you loved that, then you will love this book. It shares the same blueprint. The nerd will have the last laugh. The nerd will get his revenge. The nerd will transform into a hunk of a man. The nerd will get the girl, and they will live happily ever after. See a theme here? You see this book teaches you that:

- 1.The underdog will always come out on top.
- 2.It's cool to be a nerd.
- 3.In the end, after it's all said and done and high school is a distant memory, the nerd will be the victor. He will be a millionaire. He will be every woman's wet dream, and his tormentor, that jock in high school that bullied him, will have reached his peak in high school.
- 4.Nerds = #winning

The love story between TJ and Dani is so sweet and cute to me. Plus, I loved that he got to flaunt his budding romance in the face of his high school bully, Jackson, and that Dani turned down Jackson for TJ. I was so glad they found their way back to each other. You could simply tell that they always loved each other and were destined to be together. Even as kids, you could tell especially when TJ proposed to Dani with a rock from his mom's garden at the tender age of 9. How freaking adorable is that? Btw... Her mom kept that rock hoping that one day they would get married, and later on TJ regifted that same rock to her on a very special night. (Insert an awe here!)

This story had no real twists and turns, only a few minor hiccups, and although they fall in love rather quickly, nothing felt rushed. This is truly a feel good story aimed at all of you helpless romantics out there.

I give My Love at Last 3.5 stars for being a heartwarming story that's a quick read. So go pick up a bottle of Merlot and get to reading.....

Up All Night Book Addict says

I have been struggling with what to say about this book. There were parts that I really liked in this book... Then there were parts that were, well, lacking. I can't say this is a bad book and it's not a great book. It is somewhere in the middle.

As I read this book, I wondered to myself if there was one writer or more than one writer. There are parts in this book that are written exceptionally well. Then there are parts that are.... juvenile. The characters are adults. Some of the dialog between them at times comes across as young teenagers talking. I felt like I was watching a ping pong ball bouncing back and forth while reading this book. The writing itself was all over the place.

Aside from the writing, the story is typical, yet sweet. This is a sweet story of high school best friends reconnecting as adults and admitting their lifelong love for one another. This is definitely a quick read. It is sweet and heartwarming. If you are looking for something quick to read that will leave a smile on your face and a warm heart, this is a book for you.