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Sometimes love just catches you by the tail.

Chayton Winston is a veterinarian. He is also a werewolf. Much to his Native American parent's chagrin, he has always dreamed of a fair-haired, Caucasian mate. However, he never imagined his mate would be male. As a heterosexual man, he's not quite sure what to do with a male mate, but more than willing to find out.

Keaton Reynolds wakes up, in wolf form, and finds himself with a mate. He's instantly attracted, but not so thrilled to find out the man is straight. Having been in a relationship once before where his partner professed to be "Not gay" left a bad taste in his mouth. Keaton wants to make a break for it and pretend he never set eyes on Chay-but Chay is not ready to let him go.

Together the two work to solidify their shaky relationship and battle the prejudices against homosexuals. Chay must deal with not only his mother's prejudices against gay men but also her hatred of white people.

When a power struggle in Keaton's pack threatens Keaton's life, the two men learn to depend on one another and their relationship to get them through it.

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Julia says

I purchased this book based on her gay space marine books which I adored. I would have thrown this book against the wall, but I had purchased an ebook and it doesn't work the same.

One reason I picked this book up was that the characters are in an interracial relationship. My parents are in an interracial marriage. They've been gloriously happily married for over 40 years. They met, fell in love, and got married within a year. I've been in many interracial relationships over the years. I thought reading a nice gay interracial romance would make my day.

It actually made me want to bang my head against a wall. First, there is Chayton (a Native American/veterinarian/werewolf) who has spent his entire life longing for the pinnacle of the white beauty standard. His entire life he has longed to marry a white person with fair skin and fair hair. You know, someone who is just the pinnacle of pretty. Which....is problematic since that means no one in his tribe can *really* be pretty because they have dark skin and dark hair. Racist beauty standards are incredibly toxic. It's not surprising that Chayton's mom would be a bit peeved about her son swallowing internalized racism koolaid. Yet I think we're supposed to think his mom is jealous of how pretty white people are, and prejudiced against white people.

Which again, holy fuck problematic. Native women have been described by white people as ugly for centuries (and yes, it's happening now). The ugliness of Native people has been used as a further sign that they aren't civilized, and therefore need to have their own civilizations destroyed so they can learn to be almost as good as white people.

I could go on about this for pages and pages, but I won't. You know if the native guy thinking "ooh my dream mate must be white white white" was a toss away line, whatever. But no. I think it's supposed to be a sign of how awesomely non racist and post-racial they both are. The mother is obviously the mean racist one. She's also treated in an appallingly misogynistic fashion.

To sum up. I know gay werewolves are sexy and all, but don't read this book.

Ingie says

Written September 23, 2013

3 Stars - cute, sweet and very steamy - I enjoyed

This isn't an unforgettable masterpiece but still a cute and enjoyable M/M shifter story. It's about two quite different guys who are destined to be mates. In other words, nothing new under the sun. But ... that's why I'm reading all these romances. I want love, kisses and a grand HEA end.

“Mommy, my mate will have hair like the sun and eyes like the sky. He will be like a prince.”

“She. And it's princess, honey, not prince, ...”

Even as a small five year old boy, he felt it and knew inside, but he forgot...

The vet Chay is a wolf shifter with Native American ancestry in New Mexico. One day they get an unknown wounded white wolf into the animal clinic. Clay immediately feel great desire and strong attraction to the beautiful wolf. He feels that this is the mate he desired for so long. There is only one problem, the wolf turns out to be a male, **Keaton** a 25 year old, recently moved to town, blond and blue-eyed super smart teacher.

These two guys are two lovely very "customizable" men and they are fun to read about. I liked them a lot. The story is perhaps slightly predictable but it's comfortable and you get a pretty good *feel good story* that warms the heart for a while. There are cute nicknames, a super cute puppy, parents problem, nice and not nice friends and a lot of very sweet love bickering. I laughed and smiled a lot.

“That another on of your rules, Bit? No touching, no kissing, no flirting?”

“You forgot no calling me Bit.”

“Yeah, I don't like that one. I don't like the no flirting either.”

“What the fuck are you planning on doing that you need four things of lube for?”

Chay shrugged. “I like being prepared.”

Sometimes it may be little too much tumbling in bed (yes, or everywhere...) and in this case it was so. For me this one lost a star when I got to the middle and began to tire. I know they were so ho~ny for each other, but I don't need and don't want, to get it over me on every third page. Although it is actually good and quite hot told - everything can of course be tedious to read.

~ Really? Yes, I just said it. ~

Bit of a shame, because otherwise this was a really nice, cheerful and entertaining story.

Overall, cozy, hot and pretty funny told but in this case fits that old expression "less is more" really good. This was nice and moderately entertaining but is probably sadly soon forgotten. ...But good enough to make me happy for a few hours.

I LIKE - good but maybe to much "steamy cuddling"

Sheziss says

This is me looking for the plot.

Because, really, I didn't find any.

Well, that's true.

True again.

Can't deny it.

Errrrr... NO.

Yeah, I know...

Ralph Gallagher says

This was a cute story. It didn't have an excellent plot, but it kept me entertained for a couple hours. I definitely could've done without the sex every 2 pages. I mean damn, how many times a day can these two freaking have sex together?! They take the relationship slow at first, and say no sex, but then a couple chapters in all the dams break and it's nonstop sex... I do like the idea though, gay werewolves was kind of interesting, I can't say it's something I've seen before. Anyway, overall this was a pretty good book, not a literary masterpiece, but an entertaining read none the less. If you have a couple hours to burn and like gay werewolves, check it out.

Alvin says

ONE HOT BOOK! (rarr...)

Hmmm... You can say I might not into Fantasy Roms so much since I have this sitting in my TBR for quite some time. But I'm glad I started to read it! Sigh, this book was just hot... First, great writing! Finally a third person read after reading lots of first person narrating. It was refreshing for me. Hmmm, the characters were nice. Chay is a little too perfect for me. Keaton was okay, quite shallow for me tbh. But they were still nice, their chemistry were still good. Love Chay's dad. And I'm excited for Remi and Jake! (Gotta read Book 2 right away after this) The plot for me unfortunately disappointed me quite a bit. Langley could make this big like Twilightish kind of book but it didn't. But it was still nice. I kinda expected more I guess. Like more werewolf action and stuff. I really don't understand how Keaton as a wolf was more powerful than all of them.

Overall it is still a very nice (and hoot) read. Recommended to M/M Rom fans especially for those who like fantasies, werewolves, and Taylor Launter (LOL!)

Now gotta find my mate... (and to start reading book 2...) XD

Sharon ∞🐾 is an emotional book junkie 🐾∞ says

3.5 stars

Basically, PITA stole the show...hands down best thing in the book. {for those of you who don't know, PITA is the new puppy and stands for pain in the ass!} I found myself looking forward to all his shenanigans!

Best Line: "The puppy is watching."

But back to the story, or what story there is. Don't get me wrong, I enjoyed the book but there is A LOT of sex. I know they are a new couple but I could've done with about half the sex scenes and more of the story. I REALLY would've liked more of the werewolf story. I found that really interesting and I think if the author would've expounded on it, it would've been really good. I also liked Chay and Keaton. I think they are really good for each other and I enjoyed seeing them come together as a couple. I also liked all the friends, extended family and wolf pack.

The next book is about Remi and Jack and I'm hoping that it will be as good if not better. I can't wait to see how Remi reacts!!

**edit ~ something I wanted to say and left out of this review is that I felt like Chay accepted the situation a little too easily. I understand the whole premise of Keaton being his "mate" but it just seemed like there would've been a bit of a struggle for Chay.

Nancy says

I really enjoyed *Without Reservations*. It was fun, fast-paced and highly addictive. Keaton and Chay were a very appealing and likeable couple who were easy to fall in love with. The sex scenes were frequent, but very tender and erotic. Unfortunately, the plot was a little flimsy and the story rather lightweight. There was a little bit of mystery and family drama that could have been better developed. Keaton and Chay are both werewolves, yet they seemed mostly human throughout the story. I would have liked to read more about the pack's culture, traits, customs and power struggles. *Without Reservations* is still a very satisfying read. I'm looking forward to Remi's story in *With Caution*.

Silkeeeeereads says

4 FELLOW TEXAN STARS

Really cute story. The straight guy who finds his mate is a male wolf was a fun plot. I loved the way that Chay went from straight to falling in love with Keaton. I know a lot of readers don't enjoy the, 'honey, sugar, darling, babe, baby,' endearments but I do and he used the, constantly in this story. Maybe I just miss endearments in my own life, who knows? Anyway, the story moved along with a nice pace. I didn't get bored and it concluded well without leaving me cussing, like so many endings do. It left me satisfied. I wonder what that could be mistaken as.

Barbara? says

A little different take on mates...one of the heroes is straight so it's GFY. I was glad Chay had no real qualms about being with another guy. There were a few things that bugged me but overall it was a decent read and kept me engaged.

DarienMoya says

^^^SMOKIN!^^^

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I loved this book, I did not expect to enjoy it so much so it came as a surprise. A very good surprise. The sex was hot, the characters enjoyable and I just love shifters especially gay shifters. I love their fierce protection of each other and all their other wolfy instincts.

Chayton Winston is native American and since very small he has been dreaming of his mate. A golden haired blue eye mate which is a no no for his mom. She is convinced that his mate will be of the same race as them. Which she should know better, a mate is chosen by destiny you are never given a choice. Chay is a vet and he is about to come in contact with a wolf that's about to give him a fever. He knows the wolf is his mate but their aren't any female wolves. Weird, but he's thinking that his mate just might be the first. Well said wolf isn't female and yeh its his mate, and damn he's the most beautiful thing Chay has ever seen.

Keaton Reynolds is a smartass, he has an attitude problem. Well its to be expected if you are hated on because of your sexuality. Plus he's been tossed from the family broke up with his Ahole boyfriend and was shot at. He is having a bad day, waking up in a new territory with a pounding headache and a hard on that could plough through solid rock. So maybe his day is not so bad, and all is wolf instincts is saying that this tall, dark and handsome stranger is his mate. Well seems Keaton has hit the jackpot with landing his mate, Chay is exactly his type but with that realization and a kiss Keaton's world comes tumbling. Seems Chay is not gay, the day just got worst again.

So a relationship that started out faulty at best, bloomed into some serious love. Its one hot love, you can say the writing is borderline severe mushiness but I did not mind it. It worked in this story line, the mush fest came with some sexy scenes and sexy they were. I bloody lost my pants when Keaton shifted into his were/human form. Blazes that was catch a fire. I loved Chay nickname for Keaton (Little Bit) so cute. So things take a dangerous point when someone wants Chay's Bit dead, who could it be now.

Overall a hot and sexy read filled with mystery and fun characters. The near ending was hilarious for me, makes you wanna run and pick up the next book quick quick. Thanks Buggy for hooking me up I enjoyed it immensely. I loved how Keaton was the stronger of the wolves even though his appearance doesn't give it away. You mess with this wolf and his mate and you are gonna get bit , HARD! I give this 5 on the PL. I recommend ditching pants completely. Lets just say if I were a guy, I could of plough through some rock of my own.

Heather K (dentist in my spare time) says

Ugh, just no.

Maybe I'm moody because of my book funk but I had to push myself to finish this. I don't like this author's clunky writing style and tension-less plot. This is my second book by J.L. Langley and I'm calling it quits- she just isn't for me.

I like slow burn- this is insta-love

I like a plot arc- this is meandering

I like hot sex- this is just sex overload

I like realistic angst and real emotions- this felt cartoonish

Even though this book is GFY (my FAVORITE trope) and shifters (I LOVE shifters) this book was just dull-city. And the gay for you was barely that. There were so many plot elements that could have been interesting (race relations, how being gay fits into the pack structure, Keaton's strength) but they were all glossed over and wasted. It was like, "Oh, you're gay? Come get a hot dog!" I wanted something, something to happen that spice this book up a bit.

If I'm being nice, I did like the sweetness of this book and I had a soft spot for the pet names (they were adorable). I think the problem here is more that I don't enjoy this author's style.

I'm going to go snuggle my copy of Unacceptable Risk now.

Buggy says

~I HAVE SOME RESERVATIONS AND MY TEETH HURT~

Opening Line: "Broom, broom... Mommy, if I'm a wolf like Daddy, why can't I change into a wolf?"

I was initially excited about this book as it contains werewolves and male/male romance. I thought hey this will be good, well unfortunately, hey this is just okay. I liked the idea presented in the storyline wherein a straight man (albeit a werewolf) locates his mate only to discover that he's also male. Our protagonist then doesn't know what to do with these new sexual urges or with his new life mate.

Unfortunately this interesting idea only lasts a couple of chapters before the werewolf theme becomes irrelevant and the story turns into a sugar sweet romance complete with a cute puppy, white picket fence and more endearing nick names than I could count. Oh sure there's an attempt made at a plot between the many superfluous sex scenes but its pretty weak and even the potential murder mystery falls flat.

Here goes the plot summery; Chayton is a veterinarian and a werewolf. One day the sheriff brings a wounded wolf into his clinic, someone has shot the light haired dog and it's while Chay nurses the animal back to health he gets a feeling telling him that this wolf is his mate. Upon further inspection he realizes that the wolf is male. Now what's Chay to do? He always thought he was heterosexual but his ever increasingly tight jeans are telling a different story. When Keaton recovers he finds himself with a straight mate and he's not exactly thrilled either. Somehow the pair manages to solidify their Beaver Cleaver romance, fighting prejudices along the way and getting a puppy. Oh yeah, someone's trying to kill Keaton but because of the continual

boners nobodys too worried.

I think my biggest problem with this book besides the cloying sweetness was the fact that although written as two very distinctive characters in the beginning Chay and Keaton's voices merge into one and I could never tell whose voice or internal dialogue I was reading. I also prefer my M/M to contain manly men and Keaton has been written as a stereotypical effeminate both in looks and demeanour. In fact he might as well have been a woman. And although the love scenes are eye opening, scorching hot and well written even they got tedious every other page. However this is erotica so if you shut your brain off and just enjoy the man on man action in this fluffy romance it might just work for you. Cheers

Lillie says

This book kept me up all night last night! I loved all of the characters and the storyline was very interesting, sexy and fast paced! Keaton and Chay are certainly made for one another, and the chemistry between them was so HOT! Loved this book and I can't wait to read the next one!

Jack says

J.L. Langley continues to surprise me. Her characters are interestingly addictive to read about. The Gay For You storyline is a hard sell for me. Because of the paranormal aspect, and the magic of finding their one mate, irregardless of the gender, won me over.

Chay and Keaton's relationship was very well developed. Despite being fated as mates, and Chay not being a homosexual, I thought their relationship was well paced. From strangers, to friends, to lovers their sexual chemistry was steamy to say the least.

I can't wait to read the next installment in this series! We'll have to read about Keegan first, though...lol.

Bookwatcher says

Sometimes what we search is so damn easy to find!!!

Normally when I start a paranormal romance (like with werewolves) what I want is: romance, funny parts, a good plot and certainly very appealing characters.

Reading this book I had everything, good plot, great characters, sex scenes, sex scenes, sex scenes, sex scenes, and before I forget, sex scenes.... Ok, did you get it, no? Yeah... both main characters are **very** horny and I think that take too much time of the book. I would prefer less sex, and more plot development.

So 3 stars, very good story but I would cut half of the sex scenes... All HOT scenes, but too much without nothing more happening annoyed me.

