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Rich, powerful and with a beautiful wife to boot, it seems like Greek shipping magnate Gideon Vozaras has it all. But little does the world know his perfect life is all a façade...

After years of disguising her pain behind a flawless smile, untouchable heiress Adara Vozaras has reached breaking point. Her marriage, once held together by an undeniable passion, has become nothing more than a convenience.

But Gideon can't afford the public scrutiny that a divorce would bring and if there's one thing his harsh past has taught him, it's how to fight dirty to keep what's his...

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### Jacqueline says

I really liked this one. It's my first try for this author. I liked the realistic story line. The heroine had had miscarriage after miscarriage. She had reached a point where she was devastated and just couldn't try any more. She didn't even want the hero to come near her with his private parts. Usually in romanceland the heroine is devastated over one early miscarriage. As I've said before one or even two early miscarriages is fairly normal and while not pleasant, (personal experience) is also not all that tragic. Late term of course is an entirely different kettle of fish. But this girl had had many miscarriages that would become overwhelmingly depressing no matter how early or late.

The writing style really worked for me here. There was plenty of POV from the hero which I love. He was arrogant and had taken her for granted and it was fun to watch him realize after she asked for the divorce just how much he loved her.

Sign me up for more by Dani Collins.

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### Jenny says

Enjoyable story! Loved the sweet heroine and the alpha hero. These two went through a lot and they really deserved their HEA. But seriously ALL this author's heroines have fertility issues and that's kind of frustrating as far as I'm concerned!

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### Fanniny Moreno Zavaleta says

Review on second read...

I was checking my iBooks library on my phone and noticed this one and started reading it and just couldn't put it down even though I was in need of tissues most of the time.

Gideon is the typical alpha with a tragic past, he may have an ulterior motive for wanting to remain married but he did care for the heroine, never was mean to her. I found myself wanting to hug him tight. Adara (loved that name) had her own demons that constantly haunted her and I really could feel her pain even if sometimes I didn't agree with her choices.

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## Romance\_reader says

A contemporary romance in the true sense of the word. the book featured a mature power couple with marital issues, who're willing to work through it. I liked that the H admired the h and even said that she gave him 'his self-worth.' I also liked that the h was willing to try, even with all her initial misgivings. They talked almost everything out from the very beginning like the 21st century emotionally aware individuals that they're supposed to be and I was genuinely surprised, they didn't find their HEA in the first three chapters of the book; and H's shady past seemed like only a plot mechanism to reach the M&B word limit. Other than that, this was a nice decent read, albeit minus the intensity and angst that I really enjoy in Harlequins. (although there are some steamy moments between the two, it felt more textbook than passionate or romantic). Three stars!

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## Ipshita Ranjana says

More Than a Convenient Marriage did start off not that great for me but as the story progressed I started liking it and it turned out so much better than my expectations. Adara and Gideon's non existent communication leads their marriage to a breaking point and when they finally started communicating, it was so refreshing to see a hero and heroine not brooding over a problem but letting it out instead. Their passion was so hot and high on the steamy factor that it got my pulse racing every time without fail.[Read More](#)

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## Dalimar says

Tiene Spoiler:

Una novela buenisima,muy recomendable para todas las harlequineras como yo.Me gusto porque aunque si es el típico matrimonio de conveniencia por otra parte es muy original,todo es al revez a la típica Harlequin,pues ya ellos llevan tiempo casados.Si ella se casó con él para huir de su padre maltratante y poder controlar los negocios.Gideon se casó con ella,aunque le gustó desde la primera vez que la vió,su matrimonio de conveniencia fue mas bien para poder beneficiarse de nombre y buena reputación.Ya que el pobre tuvo un duro pasado.

Me dio tanta pena el pasado tan doloroso de Gideon,como fue su infancia y que él no fuera el típico hombre perfecto.De hecho falsificó su identidad para poder heredar el dinero que dejó su jefe de la infancia,Ya que con la muerte de madre se vió obligado a trabajar fuertemente de niño.

Otra cosa,su esposa no es la típica chica Harlequin,que de que el protagonista la ve en ropa interior,ya queda embarazada.No ella aborta todos sus bebés.Me gustó como al fin pudo quedar embarazada y como ellos tratan de salvar su matrimonio.No se enamoraron de un día para el otro y ella se dio su lugar cuando se enteró de la falsa identidad de Gideon.

De verdad,que es una muy buena Harlequin.

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## Tia says

What the hell is with these new harlequins, where the male gets the vasectomy? Is that suppose to be something that's hot? It's NOT! It's actually quite retarded and the novel alone wasn't researched correctly. When who have miscarriages and then successfully give birth to a child, are more likely to get pregnant and go through their second pregnancy with little to no complications. Unless they have an underlining medical condition to prevent it. This novel made me want to slap the shit out of the author.

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### **Kiki says**

Ok, let's be honest! The hero was contemplating cheating, so why am I not after his blood? Well because this idiot didn't want the sex from the OW. He wanted his wife to notice the lack of it in there life. So the lack of sex is not his motivation, the lack of sex with his wife was! He thought if he had an affair his wife would be jealous and give him more attention yet he never asked why she wasn't giving him attention. And she was still giving him BJs so why the fuck he wouldn't ask is beyond me! Communication is the fucking key you dumbass!

So he was keeping his options open! somebody kick him! (well wife did demand divorce, good for her) However, even though he has never discouraged the OW, he has also never encouraged her. He did in fact fire her in record time the moment he realised the damage she has done which HE has made possible.

And he did feel like a bastard once he knew the truth, and he paid for it emotionally. She did kick him to the curb, even if for another reason, but the fact that his wife would NOT share something significant with him, would rather die than share things with him, and "try to keep him physically satisfied" while she was neither mentally nor physically healthy, and the fact that he was contemplating cheating at that particular point was enough to drive him out of any entitlement he ever felt towards her. I guess that was why it was easier to forgive him for that almost slip.

The rest had no bearing for me.

It felt superficial rift needed to be created as the almost cheating was not actually a good enough reason for a conflict to bring the story to climax.

I am just thankful, they used the second reason rather than making him cheat.

I could see her point, she was in fact cheated, and if what he said was true, legally, they were not even married. It was a lot for her to take in specially in that fragile state of mind.

However, I could see their affection, so i believed the HEA.

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### **Esther says**

I really enjoyed this HP. The emotion and tension between the Hero and heroine came through and kept you turning the pages.

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### **Caro says**

Me gustó mucho y es la primera novela que leo de esta autora. La historia es bastante realista y me encantaron los personajes, lo que ocurre en una de las escenas (donde ella está embarazada y vestida con una camisa del prota) me hizo sonreír como tonta.

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## StMargarets says

This is a review for More Than a Convenient Marriage. I'll review the second one (about the heroine's brother) when I read it.

Edited to add: Read the second story first if you don't want it spoiled. The stories are out of order in this edition.

This is a second chance story that really works. The H/h both have tough backstories, but their grievances are with each other - not mommy and daddy. Oh, their personalities/issues are formed by their backstories but this is a "front story" and we watch them heal, fall apart in the black moment, and the come together in the end because of the healing they did in the first half of the story.

The story opens with the hero following the heroine to a Greek island. Even though he is Greek, he hates Greece and wouldn't be there if he didn't think his wife was having an affair. The heroine is on the island to meet with her estranged half brother (product of a rebound affair her mother had with another man. Heroine's father was bitter about it). She thinks the hero is having an affair with his PA, but she blames it on herself because she's been withholding sex because she has had so many miscarriages. Miscarriages she hasn't even told the hero about. He also doesn't know she even has an older brother. So heroine has a lot of secrets.

Two of these issues are dealt with quickly - PA is fired, brother comes on the scene - there's no infidelity. Now that matter of the miscarriages . . . Hero is shocked and upset that she didn't let him in - but we find that they started their marriage five years ago as a win-win business proposition with sexual attraction added in. Heroine is the one with the business connections in the Greek community in the US and she proposed to the hero to get away from her abusive father. Now that abusive father is dead, she feels like she can find her older brother and have some sort of family life with him since it's obvious to her she will never have children. She blurts out she wants a divorce.

Hero is shocked to the core and fights for her every step of the way. They make good progress - sex, talking, plans for the future - when the heroine realizes she's pregnant - she had miscarried a twin. They're happy but scared - then the bombshell:

(view spoiler)

This was a complex and nuanced look at a marriage between two damaged people who needed each other desperately. Heroine had a backbone and hero had a heart and together they were stronger than alone. I really liked this. My only quibble was a legal one (view spoiler)

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## Penny Watson says

3.5/4 stars

I liked Dimitri's book better than these.

However, it was nice to see an infertility/adoption story at the end. You don't see too many of those, and since I have two adopted children, it was a nice change of pace.

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### **Annie Burrows says**

I really enjoyed the way the hero and heroine found their way towards love after starting out in a marriage that was supposed to only have been part of a business deal.

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### **Desere says**

In More than a convenient marriage? the author tells of rich, powerful off the hook sexy Gideon. He has everything a man could ever want including a beautiful wife. At least that is what the outside world thinks and sees.

The real life of Gideon involves his loving wife Adara filing for a divorce, and as we all know is one heck of an embarrassment to a Greek ! He won't take it lying down but he will take Adara lying down in his bed over and over again until she realizes this is no longer a business arrangement this is a marriage made for keeps.

I ADORED this book it was filled with such raw emotion from both the hero and heroines's side I was constantly bawling my eyes out, tissues were everywhere and had I let the outside world in they would have thought I was trying to overcome a serious loss, red, puffy eyes from start to finish! The one thing that stood out for me the most was how the hero and heroine don't bottle up their problems they actually let it out and got to talking.

The message I took from this book was that communication is vital in any relationship, no matter if it's a business arrangement of a romantic involvement. Without communication everything that you think has been slotted into place by a mere look or a nod of the head, it will crumble if you don't actually voice our thoughts.

5/5 star review

"From the ashes of heartache and misery a new life is borne"

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### **Tiffany says**

Okay angsty harlequin.

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