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It's Beck O'Loughlin's job to keep people safe, but what he never bargained for was having to keep his former high school sweetheart and love of his life, Kelsey Walters, safe after walking away from her ten years ago.

Beck, now a hardened Boston detective and Kelsey, an inn owner in their small touristy town of Rockport, Massachusetts, find themselves struggling with the harsh reality that Kelsey's life may be in serious danger.

Stalked and tormented by an ex-boyfriend, she begins to realize his threats are very much real. All she wants is to feel normal again and that's when Beck shows up, bound and determined to save her.

But protecting Kelsey isn't the only thing on Beck's mind when their sexual tension steams hotter than a New England summer. Being this close begins to test both of their resolve, as emotions run high and all the feelings from the past begin to resurface.

Will they be able to grab onto this second chance at love, or will outside dangers threaten their chance at happiness?

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From Reader Review Coming Home to You for online ebook

Kara says

Whoa this is a hot one! Kelsey and Beck light these pages on fire. The plot kept me guessing and I knew how I wanted their story to end from the beginning. My guesses were incorrect, but that made the solving of the puzzle more enjoyable because I didn't figure it out. This would be a fun beach or weekend read and gave me just the break I needed. The banter was great and I loved the secondary characters just as much as Kels and Beck. Looking forward to the next in this Rockport Beach series!

Julie says

I received a complimentary copy of this book from the author in exchange for an honest review.

Coming Home to You by Claire Raye is the author's debut novel. It is a superb first outing.

This second-chance-at-love romance is also a fast-paced thriller. Much more than the romance story line, the suspenseful tracking of the stalker had me riveted to my chair turning pages. The tension builds nicely as the story reaches its crescendo. There are plot points that had me biting my nails and wanting to warn the characters. Some new authors build and build but then have an anticlimactic culmination or an abrupt resolution because they haven't mastered story telling yet. This is not the case with Coming Home to You.

While the thriller/suspense aspect of the story hooked me, there was also a steamy love story. I love the idea of childhood sweethearts reunited, and the author did a good job of showing the reader why the characters initially split up from each character's POV. I felt that the love story relied heavily on sex as a way to communicate the main characters renewed interest in one another. While I think there were more sex scenes than necessary, the scenes were not used as a substitute for main plots points. If the sex scenes were removed, Ms. Raye would still have an excellent, strong storyline which is important to me (and cannot be said of every adult romance novel).

The cast of characters are interesting, and all are fully developed. The female characters, Kelsey and Erin, are sassy and strong. I love that she doesn't become a simpering wimp when fighting off her stalker; she essentially tells herself to buck up because she isn't living a fairytale and there will not be a knight in shining armor coming to rescue her. Beckham (Beck) and Ryan are tough-as-nails detectives in Boston, and while they have more tricks up their sleeves than small-town sheriff, Finn, it takes their combined talents to find the stalker. Jason, the stalking antagonist is deviously creepy! That character would make any single woman think twice about dating someone new.

The one aspect of the book that I didn't care for was the excessive swearing. Using some swearing to convey a strong feeling or as a way to depict a character is fine, but I found the quantity of swearing detracted from the story. Ms. Raye's writing is solid and she doesn't need to rely on that gimmick.

Overall, Coming Home to You is well-written book that I would recommend. I'm looking forward to the next book in Claire Raye's Rockport Beach series.

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~`*Ella Lee*`~ says

This was a very exciting and suspenseful read. The H is very protective and possessive of the heroine, even though, he kind of gave up that right when he left for, IMO, a very ridiculous reason.

So, while it was a good read - there were several things that aggravated me - and are possible triggers for any readers, so MILD Spoiler Warning Here*****

1 - The reason why he left. There really wasn't a good one. They were both madly in love, had the perfect romance, knew they were meant to be, but the H couldn't stand the small town aspect and losing the h's mother (a stand in for him). So he just LEFT! Like - BOOM, don't wanna come with me , ALRIGHTY THEN. Buh-bye.

2 - The very detailed smex scene the H had in the beginning of the book really bothered me.

3 - I hated that the H and h loved each other so much but NEVER for the life of them, bothered to reach out in 10 years to one another. However, we are supposed to feel/believe that they are still filling the other half of their heart missing.

4 - There was, again IMO, only mild groveling for the H to get back into the h's bed. I felt I needed something else from him to express his HUGE ROYAL F'Up from 10 years ago. Or maybe to just see the h happier than she was would have been nice too.

5 - Here BFF got on my nerves. I hope she and Ryan don't get a book. I didn't really care for her at all.

So with all that said, yes, it was a good book, just had some mild things in it that definitely had me holding back 5 stars, but it still deserved a 4.

Amie Morgado- We Stole Your Book Boyfriend says

I am so happy that I read the email at the blog from Claire Raye !! It lead me to this book and I just absolutely fell in love with the story , the location being a New England girl and the characters !! I was blown away with it being a debut it had TONS of great sex , hot guys , fun , drama , heartache but most of all the suspense was what pulled me in. OMG it was such a great story and in the end the level of excitement and fear I felt for Kelsey was crazy. I was sweating bullets more than once during this story !! Love the dual POV , I am a total sucker for male POV !! My other weakness is second chances on young love and this book had Beck and Kelsey reuniting after being apart for 10 years. They were high school sweethearts and in their small town the locals had them married and pregnant after their 1st date !!

Beck up and left everyone and everything in Rockport to go off to Boston and become a detective. Torn between his girl and his work he spent 10 years trying to get over her and despite being a great detective he totally failed at love. When Beck decided to leave - Kelsey needed to stay , neither would budge and it did piss me off that after all this time during all those years they may have kept tabs secretly on each other but why did they never reach out to one another. I hate wasted time and 10 years is a lot of time to waste !! It sucked feeling Kelsey's pain but it was also heartwarming to see how she had spent the past 10 years bonding with Beck's family and running her parents Inn after losing them. Kelsey worked hard and did what she had to to survive life , love and loss. Kelsey has never moved on from Beck , she has tried without success. Her latest boyfriend turned out to be bad news and now as she tries to fight of his stalking tendencies she is realizing he may be a little more disturbed than she thought.

In the midst of working a murder case Beck finds out that Kelsey's life is being threatened. Lucky for us he decides to come home and check things out. Of course the sexual tension and 10 years of built up anger make this reunion SUPER HOT & FUN !! We follow their journey back to each other and as a treat we get tons of wicked hot sex !!!!!!! These two are electric and I honestly couldn't get enough despite knowing it may have been too much !! I was hooked and addicted to their sex life !! Even better than that was all the suspense and drama swirling around them. Kelsey's ex was crazy , the things he did , what he was getting away with , WOW I was shocked and fearful of what he was capable of. The bits and pieces of their pasts really bring such deep emotion to the story I would so love a prequel to Beck and kelsey's relationship !!!!!!!!

There were moments of fun , moments of true heartache and raw emotion. There was also moments of fear and uncertainty. This story really did have it all. I enjoyed every aspect of it and look forward to reading more from Claire Raye !!!!

Mazmum says

Book Review - Coming Home to You by Claire Raye - *** too much sex spoiled the story

Now there may be lots of you reading the tag line and reaching for that one click button, and to that I say, you go girls. I'm a picky reader and there has to be enough story around the sex. For me, this book far too much relied upon the sexual relationship between the main characters and not on rebuilding an emotional connection.

Anyway, i'm getting ahead of myself, so lets get to the story. Ten years ago, Beck broke Kelsey's heart when he left the small town they lived in to go to Boston to his dream job of being a police officer in a big city. Beck asked her to go with him and she begged him to stay, but neither one was willing to commit to the others will.

Now Kelsey is in danger when her ex boyfriend develops stalker tendencies, so Beck comes back into town at his brothers request fearing for Kelsey's safety. Once they meet again, after a little (and I mean tiny) resistance on Kelsey's part, the couple are soon hot and heavy for each other again and trying to decide how to make something work, whilst watching the stalkers efforts ramp up.

This book is quite well written, if not a little repetitive in the sex scenes (I lost count of the times the girl gave him head, I guess his love juices tasted like candy), which is why I was so frustrated by it. I really felt that the couple needed to spend more time getting to know one another again. After all it's been ten years, people change so much during that period of time, no matter what your age. I'm not saying that people can't get back together after a long period apart, but I do believe that you would need more actual dates and conversations before you would decide to make the life changing decisions that you wouldn't make ten years before.

When the drama unfolded, I really got into the book, and from that point forward, I was hooked until the end.

So would I read another book by Claire Raye? Yes. In fact I read the excerpt for book 2 in the series, which deals with both best friends and I have a lot of interest in their story. Theirs is a physical relationship and if it goes where I think it will, it will need to really deal with the emotional side of their relationship. So i'm intrigued and i'm in for book two. For sure, give me the hot sex again, but I can't wait to find out about the relationship side.

Leary says

If you're looking for a sweet and sexy second chance romance with a great story line that includes some mystery, look no further!! I got completely hooked by the storyline, I was curious as to when Kelsey's stalker would get caught and I was most importantly waiting for Beck (sexy as F detective) to finally decide he could be back in the small town and be with his girl.

Beck and Kelsey dated for years when they were younger, they were the talk of the town and everyone was in their business expecting them to get married and have kids right away. That's part of the bad thing about small towns, they were so up in their business that Beck felt like he was suffocating and wanted to leave Rockport for Boston. Kelsey always planned to help run her families bed and breakfast and didn't want to give up that dream. With them both wanting different things in their lives...no matter how much they loved each other, neither was willing to bend.

Beck learns from his brother, who is the sheriff of Rockport, that Kelsey is in danger and has a stalker. He is immediately scared for the love of his life and comes back to Rockport to help protect her. I absolutely loved the fierce need that Beck has to protect Kelsey. No matter how much Kelsey yells at him and tells him that she doesn't need him, he keeps sticking around and will do anything to protect her. I could completely understand Kelsey's frustrations with Beck and her questions of why now? Why are you back now and couldn't stay before? And the biggest question of all....how can she protect her heart when she knows she is still in love with him even after all these years, it's inevitable – once her stalker is caught he's going to leave her again and go back to Boston.

“I don't just love this woman; I need her too. Every single part of me needs her and wants her. And because of that, I need to protect her, watch over her and make sure nothing hurts her again. Including me.”

One thing I have to say that I didn't really like about the book; I wish we got glimpses into their relationship when they were younger. I didn't quite feel the connection and the hurt of Beck leaving for Boston. I believe if I got to see how connected they were and how much they loved each other when they were younger I would've been more heartbroken when he left and way more ecstatic when he came back – I think a few flash backs or a few chapters in the beginning that was them when they were younger would've built the connection more for me.

Not only did I love Beck and Kelsey's hot sexual chemistry but I completely loved the secondary characters; Kelsey's best friend Erin and Beck's partner Ryan. Erin is hilarious, sassy and won't take shit from anyone. Throughout the story we follow not only the progress of Kelsey, Beck and the stalker situation but we also get to follow the blossoming hateful/loving (confusing right?!) relationship between Ryan and Erin. I was happy to find out that the second book is all about these two...yippee!! Can't wait for the second book! Great first book from Claire Raye!

“Well I fucking need you, Kels.”

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Rosa Pulido says

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Elizabeth Bennet says

I was given an ARC in exchange for my honest review.

What a fun and steamy read. Kelsey and Beck met when they were 16 and 17 years old. His father is the chief of police and her parents own the Rockport Beach Inn. The two spend 2 years falling in love and creating scandal all across town with their wild and crazy romance. Beck however feels like a big fish in a small pond so he wants to move to Boston and become a detective but Kelsey can't leave Rockport her parents need her to help run the inn and so after a very heated and heart breaking conclusion the lovers go their separate ways.

Ten years have gone by but the memories they shared still play back in their minds. Beck is promoted to detective and is in the middle of investigating a homicide when he receives a call from his brother from Rockport that he needs his help tracking down a stalker that is harassing Kelsey. Ten years changed nothing between the two their hearts are still torn in different directions but now all that's at the surface is pain and hurt.

Kelsey has done a fabulous job at building up the inn and on Memorial weekend learns of a gentleman seeking her out by name. In one brief moment with her heart pounding in her chest she knows it's Beck finally come home and as she races down to see him discovers it's Jason. He can't handle that it is over between them and it takes the entire police station to come to the scene for him to race off. But this is not when Finn makes the call not until the creep is caught strangling her in her house one night.

Beck and Kelsey immediately strike up the old sparks but Kelsey is protecting her heart and tries to keep her distance. The old familiar touches and glances are all it takes to begin the tearing down of her defenses. The story is fast paced and keeps you on your toes with lots of added heat. Beck calls his partner (Ryan) from Boston to help him out because Jason is able to hide from everyone. He takes psycho to a new level and you don't know all of it until the end. Now, like I said there is plenty of sex supported by dirty talk.

If I had one complaint to make it is the fact that Beck leaves and he doesn't even keep in touch with his family. Now ,while I know he is better off spreading his wings, instead of living a life of what if's, it seemed harsh to shut out everyone he loved. Also in the beginning he shuts out his pain with meaningless sex, which I get, but the intimacy he shares with the Medical Examiner was too personal IMO and something else that was troublesome is that Beck and Kelsey neither one worry about an unexpected pregnancy throughout the book.

The story though was well enough written to overlook the little things and I give it 4 stars. I love a good villain and the author really had a diabolical one. If you do not care for a lot of swearing be warned. I was okay with it and loved Ryan and Erin they were fun together and at the end of this story we get a glimpse of their story. FYI they have phone sex. Happy reading !!

Heroesinbooks says

Wow. This is a fast paced , sexy, page turner of a book. Beck is the strong alpha male who left his hometown, family and girlfriend behind 10 years previously. Kelsey is our heroine who is making the best of things since her soul mate broke her heart. Now Kelsey is in danger from a crazy ex. Can Beck protect her and will she let him?

I was impressed at the dramatic crescendo of the story. It was not glossed over, as can happen sometimes. There is lots of sex and swearing in this book so if that offends you try a sample first. If you like hot alpha males and heroines who are not a pushover then read this. Good start to a series.

~Nichole~ Sizzling Pages Romance Reviews says

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I was pleasantly surprised by Coming Home to you the debut novel by Claire Raye. I was intrigued right away by the blurb and it didn't take long to suck me in and keep me smiling.

I adore second chance love stories but find they are always a delicate balance of love or hate for me. I tend to need to understand the initial separation to be able to believe in the re-connecting of the couple. With the heartbreaking prologue Claire brings us to the painful breakup of Beck and Kelsey 10 years ago. It simply was a time where these two impulsive teenagers were just too young to see what was in front of them and wanted totally different things out of life.

This takes them both through 10 years of lacking relationships and others that never compare.

Kelsey is now in danger and Beck is the only man that can or will put his life on the line to keep her safe. With the help of Finn, Beck's older brother (I have a big crush on this guy by the way) Beck finds out that Kelsey needs him and

what transpires is an explosive and seductive reunion that Kelsey and Beck have no power over. The feelings and passion are still strong as ever.

This is one very very steamy romance where these two couldn't be in the same room for very long without clothes stripped and skin touching.

Even though there was a lot of sexy times there was still this underlying reconnection happening that had me

falling in love with this couple again right along with them.

I loved that Beck knew right away that his choices were going to be changing and Kelsey wasn't someone that he could ever walk away from again.

I adored his protectiveness and I loved how sassy and funny they were together. This was a story of two people finding that true love may take time to find it's way home but there wasn't anywhere else they would ever feel that they were truly home than in each others arms.

I look forward strongly to the second book in this series as Kelsey and Beck's best friends Erin and Ryan are one electrifying couple that had me just laughing out loud and wanting their story a.s.a.p.

This is one sexy second chance romance that any steamy romance lover would adore.

Alisa says

This book was AMAZING! I loved this story and all of the characters. I was hooked from the very first page and can not wait to read more of this series.

?whina says

Received an ARC from the author in exchange for an honest review, *thank you Claire*
Reviewer for *Kitty Kats Crazy About Books*

4 ★★★★★ Stars

Okaay, where to start...

First off, this is not my "Go to" genre. You will almost always find me buried in an MC/Biker Romance or anything with an Overly Overbearing Hot Ass Alpha in it. ***I do love me some alpha!***

In saying all'a that I was hands down pleasantly surprised how much I actually **enjoyed** *Coming Home*.

If you're in search of a romantic love story with some humor, a bit of angst, some heartbreak and alot of drama in the "Krazy Ass (with a capital K) Stalker Ex Boyfriend" variety then look no further bcause' I have definitely found one for you here!!

So... summing up, young love, girl falls in love with boy, boy loves girl but not enough to be stuck in a small town doing small town things with small town people who talk small town gossip.

Refusing to follow the family tradition of becoming the Chief of Police in small town Rockport, **Beck** sets his sights on becoming a seasoned Boston detective. To do that he has to leave town and leaving town means leaving the girl he loves...

Kelsey has no intentions of leaving Rockport Beach, even for the love of her life. This is her home. This is where her family is. And this is where she is staying. Leaving Beck with no choice but to leave a heartbroken Kelsey behind.

10 years on... **Kelsey** has gone and got herself a crazy as shit ex who won't leave her alone, when shit starts to get serious **Finn**, Beck's brother and Rockport's Chief of Police puts a call in to **Beck** telling him to get his ass home to catch the crazy and keep Kel safe.

Needless to say 10 years on neither one has ever gotten past the love they once shared. When Beck comes home for Kel, as much as she tries to hold onto to her resentment towards him for leaving, she can't help but be pulled back in to the all consuming love they once shared. ***let the steamy as f**k scenes begin!!***
#GoodTimes

With both having built their lives and careers in different places, will love be enough for one to leave the life they've made behind?... You'll have to **#OneClick** to find out!!

**** Teasers provided and made by the author Claire Raye*

Erin says

Sexy with lots of heart! Full review to come!

Romance Readers Retreat says

This story starts 10 years ago in Rockport where Beck walks out on his high school sweetheart, Kelsey, breaking her heart. He moves to Boston to be a detective but she stays in the small town where she grew up.

Even 10 years on Kelsey is still hung up on Beck and hopes that he will come back for her. When a stranger comes to the Inn that she now owns and asks for her on Memorial Day weekend, she's sure that it's him, but has a terrible shock when she realises it's not, it's her stalker ex-boyfriend Jason and quickly gets her manager to call the police.

Finn is the chief of police and also happens to be Beck's brother. He contacts Beck to let him know what's happening, as soon as he hears that Kelsey is in danger he agrees to return for a few days to make sure that she is safe.

When I first started reading this book, I thought that Kelsey was going to be a whiny and weak character but

how wrong I was. She's strong, stands up for herself and won't let even her stalker bring her down.

I thought the story was very well written and I loved that each chapter was alternating between Kelsey and Beck's POV. It had some mega hot sex scenes and I was glued to the book from start to finish and will be recommending it.

Within The Pages Book Blog says

Turns out home really is where the heart is!

Young love can be powerful. Sometimes it is so powerful that it lasts a lifetime. Kelsey and Beck had that kind of love once. Small town living was never what Beck wanted for himself. Kelsey found small town life endearing. When Beck decided to leave for the big city of Boston he asked Kelsey to go with him, but when she said she couldn't go he left and never looked back.

Ten years later both Beck and Kelsey feel as if they are missing a part of themselves. Neither one wants to admit it is each other that they miss. That if they were to be honest with themselves, they still love one another even after all this time apart. When Kelsey finds herself in danger it becomes quickly apparent that the only person who can truly protect her is Beck. Will he be able to stop the man who is stalking her before it is too late?

The ties that bind is central to this story and it tied me up in knots in the best of ways. When Beck left Rockport behind, he left his girl heartbroken and lonely. He also left his father and brother behind. Ten years is a long time to go without keeping in touch, and this story beautifully weaves through those moments of resentment, hurt, fear and unconditional love. The fight between the future you thought you wanted and the present you cannot live without. I love the passion between Kelsey & Becks, as well as the love between Becks and his family. Their time together leaves so many unknowns. Can Kelsey forgive Becks for leaving her and tearing her heart and world apart? Is her love strong enough to give in to what she feels and allow them a second chance at forever? What if he just leaves again, could she survive losing him again?

While they are trying to keep Kelsey safe, all their old feelings come flooding in as if no time had passed at all. When Becks is faced with losing Kelsey forever he learns some hard truths about himself, small towns, and the power of real love.

I would highly recommend this book to anyone who loves a good read. This book is deeply satisfying on many levels and will not disappoint.
