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A sweet category romance from Entangled's Bliss imprint...

Once upon a road trip to Mexico...

Payton Vaughn's trip to Puerto Vallarta for her friend's wedding was her big escape from her ridiculously overbearing mother-in-law, and that little matter with her cheating fiancé. Now, her flight's been cancelled, and she's crammed into a tiny car with the gorgeous-but-irritating best man.

Viva la road trip from hell...

Cruz Sorensen doesn't have time to babysit some spoiled socialite, even if she is the future daughter-in-law of the man who could change the fortune of his family's company. He has no business getting to know her better-not even for all the tequila in Mexico...until they wake up with grande-sized hangovers as man and wife.

Now Payton and Cruz must decide if they've reached the end of their journey...or the beginning of a new adventure.

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A Klue says

It has been quite some time since this NetGalley reviewer has read such an engaging, refreshingly romantic tale with heart-melting but not overly descriptive, steamy scenes. This one, my romance book-loving friends, is focused on real emotions and romance. It is the unfolding love story of a betrayed, rich socialite and a handsome, committed to his family/business Latino who thinks he is not good enough for her. This author proves you don't need a lot of dirty talk to speak the language of love. With witty banter, great chemistry, and a wonderful cast of believable secondary characters, you won't want this mildly angst-filled story to end. Rating: 5 stars

P.S. Book 1, Her Backup Boyfriend, is the HEA of Payton's best friend, Kate, and Cruz's brother, Dominic.

Title: Her Accidental Husband, Series: The Sorensen Family (Book 2), Author: Ashlee Mallory, stand-alone, no cheating, HEA, romantic, not overly steamy.

(This review is based on NetGalley ARC e-book received in exchange for an honest, unbiased opinion.)

Mandy says

After her fiance cancels his travel plans at the last minute because of work, Payton has to travel to her best friend's wedding in Mexico alone. Her best friend Kate asks her future brother-in-law Cruz to delay his trip a day and travel with Payton. Payton's trip doesn't start out anything like she thought, after she tries to video chat with her fiance and instead sees Boobalicious and realizes he's cheating on her, their flight has problems and then they are forced to travel through Mexico in a tiny car. Being trapped in a small car with Cruz Sorensen might just turn out to be the best thing that ever happened to Payton.

I really enjoyed this story. It was a little more angsty than I was expecting and I got a little frustrated with the characters at times but I really liked the chemistry between them. The supporting characters were fun and I loved the Sorensen family. There were a few tiny little things I didn't like (view spoiler) but overall I really enjoyed this book and look forward to reading more by this author!

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Tarsha says

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No spoilers, just my honest opinion. :-)

Payton and Cruz. I'm not quite sure what to make of those two or this story. Did I like them as characters? They were ok, but I didn't have any warm or fuzzy feeling about them, especially not Cruz. I thought Cruz was a bit stiff and quite frankly a bore to me. I get he wanted to be the best, but I feel he was a bit obsessed with it. Almost to the point where he almost lost what should have been important to him. Or so he claimed. I

was also pretty mad for what he almost did to Payton to get his business deal. Luckily he didn't lie when Payton sort of figured it out. He felt bad and vowed never to do that again. I believed him but that was still pretty shitty of him.

Payton on the other hand I actually liked. She was filthy rich but I don't think that changed her as a person. She still had feelings and wasn't a snob or anything like that. I think she handled her unfortunate situation well. She put on her big girl panties and did what she had to do. Her mom was a nightmare and so was she father. Through all that, she seemed to have turned out to be a pretty decent person.

I guess what bothered me with this book is that I didn't really feel any chemistry between Payton and Cruz. Like nothing. So how am I supposed to believe their love? The steam level was a no go too. But that wasn't a huge problem. With all that being said, this was a ok light read. 3 stars for me.

Sally906 says

What a sweet romance.

Bette Hansen says

I. LOVED. This. Book!! I'm not even sure why I love it so much. But, isn't that the sign of a great story. It just made me happy and stays with me. Yes, there is great writing and Payton and Cruz were incredible characters yet it was the entirety of the book that sucked me in and had me glued to the pages with a silly smile on my face. This one has an unexpected road trip, a little white lie, and a whole lot of tequila! Always a combination for disaster. In the case of Payton and Cruz, it may be the best worst thing that ever happened to them!!

This is one I definitely recommend.

Chessela Helm says

Just as good as book one, this time we get to see Cruz and Payton fall for each other after having rubbed each other the wrong way on their first meeting. It's fun to see their dynamic. It's not fully enemies to lovers, but there is a fun antagonism that keeps things edgy until they realize they're gone for each other. The conflict was natural and it was easy to understand why they would both pull back when things seemed to fall apart. The side characters are still great, and the road trip aspect added a lot of character to the story.

Amanda says

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Vikki Vaught says

My Musings

Wow, this is a great book with wonderful characters and an emotionally charged story line. Cruz is a great hero and really came through at the end. Can't wait to read more of the Sorensen family. ?reading ?!

Kim Reads (Read Your Writes Book Reviews) says

Reviewed by Kim

Rating: 4.5 Stars

Her Accidental Husband, the second book in the Sorensen Family series is a standalone read. It brings together Cruz Sorensen and Paige Vaughn, who have a love-hate relationship. The two initially met in the first book, Her Backup Boyfriend, when Cruz unknowingly insulted Payton, resulting in her hitting him in the head with a vase. Now, the two are thrown together when they are forced to travel together from Texas to Puerto Vallarta via car to attend the wedding of Cruz's brother Dominic and Payton's best friend Kate.

Cruz is a workaholic who is driven to make his father and family proud. He wants to put Sorensen Construction, started by his father, on the national map. He's thoughtful and meticulous, and isn't one for fun and games. After having his seventeen-year-old heart crushed when a girl left him for a guy with more money, he's not big on relationships.

Payton, as an only child, grew up rich and privileged. While she functions just fine in that world, she's probably more comfortable with regular everyday people. Payton is something of a free-spirit. She's fun, energetic, and outgoing. Up until this point in her life, she has allowed her society driven mother to push her to do what she's wanted her to do. Be it going to the right college, dating and becoming engaged to the right guy, becoming part of the right charitable endeavors or whatever to make the Vaughns look good. Payton is just weeks away from her wedding when she makes a horrible discovery.

As if her day couldn't get any worse, Payton finds herself on the same plane headed to Puerto Vallarta as Cruz. Hours into the flight, the plane has an emergency, forcing it to land in Laredo, Texas, with no flights to Mexico. Cruz who promised Kate and Dom he would look after Payton, convinces her to agree to drive with him south.

Over the course of their two and a half day trip, the two make surprising discoveries about each other. Cruz learns that Payton isn't as bad as he thought she was and Payton realizes it's even more fun to poke Cruz than she thought. They also realize their attraction to one another. Payton's fun and games become more than she bargained for when she tells people she and Cruz are planning to get married in Mexico. When a fake engagement becomes a real marriage, the two have to decide what they really want.

Immediately, picking up Her Accidental Husband reminded me why I was so excited to discover Ashlee Mallory earlier this year. My reading enjoyment continued and I was smiling throughout the book. I was even able to deal with Payton's snobby, holier than thou mother. I definitely wasn't expecting a character surprise. Even then, I could work with things. The book was simply fantastic and I found myself ranking Ashlee up there with one of my favorite authors.

My issue with the story is that I felt like it dragged out just a little too long. The constant misunderstandings and timing of Cruz and Payton close to the end took away from the book for me. I get there has to be conflict in romance but I just wish I could knock some sense into Cruz.

Even with my frustration with single minded Cruz, I still loved this story. I love that Payton discovered her self worth and what she wanted out of life. I love that Cruz discovered that he needed more out of life than just his rabid determination to be successful in business.

Cruz has two sisters who are in need of finding their own happy ever after stories. I can't wait to see what Ashlee has in store for them.

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Eleanor (The Book Hammock) says

This was just as sweet and fun to read as the first one in the series. I'm kind of enjoying this Mexican family showing the snooty, entitled peeps how it's done and what's important.

Amy says

3.5 stars

All Payton wants is to get to Puerto Vallarta for BFF Kate's wedding, and yet it seems as if the Fates have decreed that it will be as difficult as possible for her to accomplish this.

First, she recognizes Cruz, the brother of Kate's fiancé, a cold man whose judgment of her oozes from him almost as intensely as his hotness. Payton knows that Cruz's appearance on her flight is purposeful; she is being babysat. Payton has a (well-earned) reputation for being "free spirited," which seems to attract all manner of trouble. Payton doesn't disavow this, and she does realize that she might be a wee tad more susceptible for trouble now that she's decided that her own engagement needs to end.

For his part, Cruz is undeniably attracted to Payton, even as he views her as annoying, snobby, and attention-seeking. Worse, she's engaged to a guy Cruz thinks is a complete tool, but this fiancé also happens to be the son of a man with whom Cruz is trying to do business.

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Maria Rose says

This sweet opposites attract romance is the story of Cruz and Payton. En route to Cruz's brother Dominic's (and Payton's best friend Kate's) Puerto Vallarta wedding, they end up stranded at the airport with no flights heading to their destination. Despite their mutual dislike of each other (from a previous meeting where Cruz's assumptions of Payton as a spoiled socialite colored their first meeting when she overheard him speaking ill of her), the only way to get to the wedding on time is to rent a car and travel together. Having just discovered that her fiancé is cheating on her and breaking off the engagement, sitting in a car for hours on end with her nemesis is definitely not her idea of a good time, but Payton will do anything to get to her friend's wedding on time. Something happens along the way though, and when a little too much tequila and sexual tension results in a case of 'we did what?!', Payton and Cruz find themselves married before they even get to the wedding they are supposed to attend! Dissolving their unintended union should be easy, but disentangling their emotions and hearts might prove to be a little more complicated – will they figure out what they really want before it's too late?

I don't often read sweet romances (ones with closed door bedroom scenes) but there are a few authors I make exceptions for, and Ashlee Mallory is one of them. I thoroughly enjoyed Dominic and Kate's story in Her Backup Boyfriend, where both Payton and Cruz were introduced and I was hoping I would find this one as interesting. Lucky for me, it held up just as well as the first one in the series.

Cruz is a serious, solid guy, a businessman who is working hard to provide for his family by ensuring that their small construction company gets some good solid contracts. All he does is work, and now being stuck with Payton, a woman who he was initially attracted to when they met anonymously in a flower shop but whose subsequent meeting went all sorts of downhill when he found out who she really was (affianced, and a high society type) is putting a damper on his current negotiation – not the least of which is because it's her former potential father-in-law whose business he's trying to align with. This makes for all sorts of added complications for Cruz. And most assuredly, his attraction to her despite everything is inconvenient and annoying.

Payton is a young woman who for her whole life has tried to live up to the expectations of her mother – a controlling woman who has influenced all of Payton's decisions, including putting off going to law school when her grandmother died and she was forced into helping out with all the society functions her family was involved with. Her life seemed to be planned out for her, including marrying a man from a good family who

she was friends with and would be compatible as a partner. Discovering his infidelity throws Payton into disarray – her whole future that had been mapped out for her can be changed, and the first step is to get out from under her mother's thumb. I really liked Payton, and her realization that with her own marriage plans gone, her future could include anything that she wanted.

When Cruz realizes how wrong he's been about Payton, that she isn't just a mindless society girl, his opinion of her changes, and along with it his unwanted attraction to her suddenly isn't so unwanted anymore. There is a great deal of sexual tension between them, and it's no surprise really that when they end up stranded in Mexico waiting for a car repair, a little too much tequila and a partying group of square dancers (and that was a hoot!) lead them down the path to a wedding – their own, and one Payton doesn't really remember much of in the morning (unlike Cruz, who is quite aware of what's happened including that he could have said no to Payton's impromptu proposal and didn't). There are lots of laughs in the story despite some more serious scenes, and the banter between Cruz and Payton as they travel made for a delightful read. But I really liked that Payton wasn't willing to compromise on what she would need from Cruz in order to move forward in their relationship – wedded or not. Cruz's business might be important to him, but she's not willing to be second choice anymore, something she's lived with her whole life, and she makes that clear to him. So it's not all sunshine and roses to get to their happy ending, but one where serious decisions must be made about what will ensure a bright and loving future for them. It was a thoroughly entertaining story, with lots of laughs and a sweet romance. 4.5 stars.

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Note 2: this review appears as a blog post at: <http://straightshootinbookreviews.com...>

Stephanie says

I received a copy of this title from NetGalley. It does not impact my review.

When I started to read Her Accidental Husband I realized it was the follow up to Her Backup Boyfriend, which is a super cute fake relationship story. I'm happy to report that this one is just as cute.

Cruz and Payton have always had an attraction to each other – even if they can drive each other crazy. It's a moot point, however, since Cruz has all but sworn off relationships to focus on work and Payton is engaged to someone else. But when Payton finds out her fiancé has been cheating and their mutual flight to Mexico to Cruz's brother's and Payton's best friend's wedding is grounded, they must come together to find a way to make it there in time.

This book unfolded a little differently than I thought it would. I thought the marriage would happen almost right away and the rest of the book would be them trying to get out of – while falling in love. However, it focuses a lot on their road trip as they learn more about each other and their attraction grows into something more, which I really liked. We also get to see them deal with the fallout and the range of emotions and decisions they go through. I thought the overall arc was done well and I appreciated that it was a little different than I'm used to reading when it comes to this particular trope.

I loved seeing Dominic and Kate again from the first book in this series and how happy they are. I also enjoyed seeing the rest of the Sorensen clan again. I really enjoyed both Cruz and Payton. They were well-developed and likable characters. I like how Payton started to stand up for herself and make her own decisions and especially liked that it didn't take until the final chapters for it to happen. They both had moments where I wanted to clunk their heads together for their miscommunication, but overall they were

pretty great characters.

Overall, I really enjoyed Her Accidental Husband. It was a quick, fun read and pretty darn adorable. I think my biggest complaint is that the cover has nothing to do with the book – they are never once on the beach together. I would recommend it to fans of romance and those looking for a light read.

Overall Rating (out of 5): 3.5 Stars

Irene says

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I enjoyed Her Accidental Husband.

This was a sweet, fun and emotional read.

I enjoyed watching Payton and Cruz relationship develop. They both were fun and likable characters and they had amazing chemistry.

This was a quick and enjoyable read with a little drama thrown in. Payton and Cruz had to work through some personal issues to be able to give their hearts unconditionally to each other.

Thank you Entangled Bliss via NetGalley for the advance copy.

Mariel Hoss says

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Going to a "destination" wedding is more difficult than Payton and Cruz imagined it would be. Going to Kate (Payton's best friend) and Dominics (Cruz's brother) wedding.

Cruz was asked to accompany (read: babysit) Payton on the flight to Puerto Vallarta, a flight that did not end,er land where expected. Forced to endure a road trip that included broken down rental cars, not-enough-room-in-the-inn situations (read: shared rooms), an engagement (Cruz and Payton's) misunderstanding and an "accidental" marriage...

Well, Payton lived up to her reputation as a magnet for trouble but it seems Cruz is not as immune to her and her "free-spiritedness" after all.

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