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Fleeing a looming marriage with a terrifying man, Abby meets a mysterious stranger who makes her a startling proposition.

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From Reader Review The Reluctant Bride for online ebook

Stephanie says

Great short story, just wish it was longer.

Valerie Waters says

Haha so after my last rant about novellas I feel stupid liking this one! It was prefect way to relax tonight since I haven't had time to read much lately. Really wish it was longer!!! I think will could have been an amazing character.

Kristen says

2/26/17 - Thought that I had read this before. Short and sweet and a little silly but great when you need a quick and romantic read.

10/4/13-

So sad this wasn't longer - a cute and clean read when you only have a few minutes to spare.

Kat says

[where did these rumors come from? They are like two opposite people. Or do people start these rumors solely based on a scar? (hide spoiler)]

Kathy * Bookworm Nation says

I loved the opening scene, it really draws you into the story and makes you want to keep reading. Although it was short, it was a fun story. I do wish it was a full length novel, but with my hectic schedule it was nice to read a fun short story. I love the regency setting and of course I'm a sucker for HEA endings.

H says

Now, I didn't realize this was a short story when I started it, which may have biased me. But man was it short! I couldn't even remember the characters' names when I finished, it was so short. I wouldn't have minded an additional one to two thousand words simply to flesh it out a little--to make the characters feel more real, the connection between them more believable, their HEA more cheer-worthy, particularly since it definitely had the potential to be really funny and heartwarming. As it was, it ended and I was like, "Wait,

where's the rest?" And not in a I-want-more kind of way but more a what-the-heck-just-happened kind of way.

Shauna says

If you love regency romance then you will love this sweet, short story.

Abby is betrothed to a terrible man and is running away so she doesn't have to marry him.

In her attempt to stow away she is saved by Will...a charming man...

But...

He is betrothed also...

I'll let you read the ending...

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Irène Wadowski uliasz says

Dommage que ce fut si court et si prédictible. On reste un peu sur sa faim.

Melissa says

Very short! Good thing it was a free read. But it was sooo sweet!

Book Chick (Tori) says

I SO wish this had been longer. I was drawn in from the beginning and was totally crushing on "Will" & then it ended. But for a short story it was great. :)

Heidi says

I thought this was so fun. I find myself loving everything by Mrs. Hatch and this short story was no different. Fast, fun, read.

Evie says

Aw! So cute and sweet! I wish it was longer but it was so fun! A good one-sitting grinning-like-an-idiot-when-you're-done kind of short story.

Clean, sweet, and definitely a good first impression of the author! I'll definitely be reading something longer by her!

Julie Carpenter says

Oh my, I loved this short novella! Loved it!!! <3 I know sometimes when I read novellas I want more to the story. This one though for me was perfect! Yes I would love to see more about these characters but honestly it was such a sweet short story! The beginning started out almost feeling like it wasn't just starting. I felt an instant connection to the MC and the few short scenes had me laughing, smiling and swooning! *sigh*

I love Donna Hatch's books, I haven't been disappointed by one yet, wether it's a full length novel or one of her novellas! If you love a good HEA, loveable characters and an amazing clean romance you need to check out her books. I can tell you that you just might have a new author to add to your favorites list!

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Happy Reading!!!

Sandy says

3.5 stars, only because I wish it were much longer!

This is a VERY short story. I read it in minutes, but it was perfectly wonderful escapist reading for the clean Regency romance addict in me.

I have now read almost everything Donna Hatch has written, and I'm dying for more.

SheLove2Read says

Short and sweet but forgettable romance. 40 pgs.