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Mary Elizabeth's life is spiraling out of control. Her twin sister, Babs, was killed in an automobile accident. Her bereaved brother-in-law has decided now is a good time to renew their college romance, and her healthy, domineering mother is demanding that she move back home and slave, ah, make that care for her. What's a woman to do? Get the heck out of Dodge! She jumps on the promotion offered by best friend, Kiesha Morgan, and moves to Refuge, NC. The last thing she wants or needs is a man. She's got enough going on in her life.

Hugh Mosely owns and operates Refuge's only eating establishment. As a favor to Alex Morgan, good friend and alpha of the Raven Pack, he agrees to rent the empty apartment above his diner to Mary Elizabeth and keep an eye on her. Hugh is also a were-bear who's actively searching for a mate, a she-bear he can breed with and continue his nearly extinct species. Despite his nearly overwhelming, instant attraction to Mary Elizabeth, he has no interest in human females. Unfortunately (or is that fortunately?) for them, the true mate bond doesn't care about personal agendas.

Watch as they both get caught up in the Mating Fever and try to fight their way out.

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## From Reader Review Mary and the Bear for online ebook

### Cruth says

This is just a God awful paranormal - creepy stalker Mate, creepy stalker wanna-be-husband, creepy vampire rapist, creepy Alpha brother. Not a lot in here to redeem it. Not something, or an author, I would ever recommend. So much better stuff to read.

<http://www.amazon.com/review/RNIN60K4...>

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### April says

It has been a little while since I read this book but here is what I recall...

I love the series!! Yummy romance involving shifters. Plenty of steamy action and a touch of humor!

Definitely a series to get into! I started it and didn't stop until I reached the last book that was released! I am always looking for the next book!

If you like steamy shifter romances this is a series to look into!!!!

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### ~`\*Ella Lee\*`~ says

This was pretty good.

It's one of those OTT cheesy kind of small town reads. Where the h and H are too good to be actual people in the real world.

Though, the story was a little silly at times with how sweet these two were, it was very HOT and fun to read. It was well written so it just flew by like a good Hallmark movie with a possessive shifter H and a too sweet, everyone takes advantage of her h. Except this would have had to be put on HBO, because holy moly it was smokin hot!

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### Asounani says

Reitero de mis Sagas favoritas

En este libro tenemos la historia de Mary Elizabeth la mejor amiga de Kiesha la protagonista de la historia anterior.

**\*\*SPOILER ALERT\*\***

Ella siempre a vivido a la sombra de su hermana gemela Babs "la bonita, la simpática, la popular, la amada, la delgada, la casada, la blablabla" al inicio del libro tenemos como introducción la muerte de Babs la mamá

(la cual odias completamente) llega a la conclusión de que Mary debe dejar todo para cuidarla a ella y a su esposo los cuales no son inválidos y son capas de cuidarse pero como ya no esta la hija favorita (no miento en el acto fúnebre de Babs se tira sobre el ataúd y grita llorando a todo pulmón que preferiría que hubiera muerto Mary no su amada Babs al frente de todos (diablos!!!) y nadie dice nada) ella decide esto porque Mary no esta casada, tienen 30, y además es "gorda" (lo cual no es tiene curvas no es anoréxica! como desearía su mamá) y jamás encontrara a un hombre que la ame porque no es como Babs decide en uno mas de sus caprichos que debe dejar todo y cuidar de ella como si fuera su sirvienta a esto le sumamos que su cuñado (el cual odiamos igual o más que a la mamá) decide que quiere estar con Mary y asi tenemos la formula para un CORRE, NO MIRES ATRÁS, SOLO CORRE LO MAS RÁPIDO QUE PUEDAS. ...

Así es como Mary decide mudarse a Refugio y trabajar con Kiesha en la nueva tienda y termina viviendo en el departamento sobre una cafetería que es dirigida por un absolutamente delicioso cambia forma.

Mary Elizabeth, es compleja tiene muchos complejos e inseguridades, pero es amable, desinteresada y bastante inocente pero llegas a tenerle aprecio más que todo por lo que ha pasado gracias a su egoista hermana.

Hugh, cambia forma oso (adore esto son tan poco comunes) callado pero que sabe lo que quiere, completamente adorable y sobreprotector cuando descubre que Mary es su compañera, paciente y comprensivo que busca poner a Mary como lo principal lo cual es un sentimiento nuevo para ella.

En general un libro que disfrute bastante lo único que si resiento es que Hugh no se allá transformado pero tampoco diré que el libro es malo solo por eso, en general es una lectura que se disfruta bastante.

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## **Heather andrews says**

Mary Elizabeth that girl has a temper on her, "aaargh! Are you big and stupid? You're getting the full three hundred next month. The rent is ridiculously low as it is. How do you keep this diner running, giving away money like you do?" Hugh the man has a jealous side, "when the man in front slid his hands up the side of her body to rest just below her breast, Hugh lost it. A growl broke loose as he stalked toward the dancing trio. Screw the plan!" Yea, he has jealousy issues, "And what the hell are you wearing? Where are the rest of your clothes? What, you advertising now? How much for an hour? Maybe we can find a deal." Hugh he loves it when he knows she's his, "you need to straighten up unless you want everyone out there to know what we were doing." Not that it would matter. His scent was all over her. The bear in him roared in approval. Mine!" Sometimes Mary Elizabeth does things intoxicated and well Hugh tries to do the right thing really he does, "Mary Elizabeth, stop. Let's discuss this. Baby, please. I don't think you know what you're doing." And you just have to appreciate a good a\*\*, "hey! Stop that!" She smacked his butt, hard. Then, impressed with the shape and feel of it, cupped it with her hands, giving it a small squeeze. Nice. It was high and firm, not flat."

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## **Ashley Gibson says**

This is the story of Mary Elizabeth and Hugh Mosely (a bear shifter).

Mary Elizabeth has always been second best, even in the hearts of her parents who worshipped her twin

sister Bab's. Bab's even seduced Mary Elizabeth's fiance and married him. At her sisters funeral Mary Elizabeths mother cried out that she wished it had been her that died, humiliating Mary Elizabeth. Mary Elizabeth works for Kiesha Morgan (who was introduced in the story True Mates) and is good friends with her.

Kiesha offers her a new job in the new store she is opening in Refuge, North Carolina (where she lives with her mate). After her mother insists she moves in with them and take care of them, and after her brother in law makes a move on her, she decides to take Kiesha up on her offer and moves to Refuge. She moves into an apartment above Hugh's restaurant and the sparks fly between the two! Hugh is determined to deny the attraction between them because he doesn't believe he could ever find his true mate and Mary Elizabeth has issues with how she has been treated her whole life. The attraction between them will not be denied however and passion explodes between them. It becomes clear that Mary Elizabeth is the true mate of Hugh. Charles (Mary Elizabeth's brother in law) comes and tries to kidnap Mary Elizabeth at gun point. You will have to read the book to find out more!

I love the story of Hugh and Mary Elizabeth. I thought that Hugh was perfect for her and was so sweet with her.

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### **Deb B says**

similarly to the first book in this series, i found this one to be fairly average. the plot wasn't particularly complex and the characters didn't really appeal. i finished both of these first books for the snippets of what is coming in Nikolai's Wolf and to have the background needed for that book

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### **Shannon C. says**

Sweet & Spicy Shapeshifter Romance

Mary Elizabeth's good friend and boss, Kiesha owns a chain of consignment stores. She tells her she is opening a new store in a small North Carolina mountain town and asks her to relocate and become the store manager. This offers Mary Elizabeth a chance at a fresh start and to get away from her overbearing family. Alex, Kiesha's fiance and alpha of the local shapeshifter pack, makes arrangements for an apartment for Mary Elizabeth over the local diner. Hugh Mosely, the owner of the apartment and diner, shows her the furnished apartment. It's a bit of a fixer upper, and she is excited about the chance to do some painting and accessorizing. But she's concerned at the attraction she feels for Hugh--he's her landlord. Not only is she not looking for a relationship, but getting involved with a business contact isn't a good idea. Nothing good can come of it, right?

At 6'7" and over 300 lbs., Hugh can be a bit intimidating and even more so when he shifts to his werewolf form. He is surprised to feel attraction for the petite human, since he has no interest in human women. He has been hoping to find another werewolf to take as a mate and have kids. Some of the wolf shifters had found true mates in humans (meaning that the humans had special DNA that enable them to mate and procreate), however that had not happened before for any werewolves. Not only that, but it'd be a bad idea to get involved with one of his tenants, right?

This was my first book by this author and I was pleasantly surprised. I enjoyed seeing Mary Elizabeth come out of her shell and meet new friends. The romance between Hugh and Mary Elizabeth was both sweet and spicy. I would have liked more development around being a shapeshifter, their pack organization, etc. The storyline was a bit predictable, but overall it was still an entertaining read.

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### **Jacqueline says**

Decent enough I guess but it missed the mark for me on several points. First, the guy was a bear shifter but he never shifted. What's the point in shifter romances if the heroine never sees the hero shift? Second there was entirely too much telling instead of showing. Which brings me to the worst thing. The heroine is told by two secondary characters that the hero is a shifter and has mated with her. Not only should that conversation have been between the hero and heroine but instead of an actual conversation, there were words to the effect "and then they told her all about shifters and how the mating worked." WTF? Talk about the most interesting part of a story being totally lame. Add to that the fact that the heroine basically has no more reaction to shifters existing than she would have if she'd been told the hero was originally from Canada. A couple of sex scenes, one of which I found pretty odd.

Probably won't read any more of this series.

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### **Karen says**

Just finished reading this book for the 2nd time and I enjoyed it very much. This is book 2 in the "True Mates" series and I have not read book one yet. This book is well-written with good character development, it also is an interesting story.

The author also wrote in leads to a couple of new books so we're left hanging on those story lines. But the main story and romance are wonderful and I look forward to reading more books in this series.

Other books in the series:

True Mates  
Mary and the Bear  
Nikolai's Wolf  
Tameka's Smile

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### **T. says**

I initially gave this 5 stars, but I just re-read it. The main story with Mary and her Bear was definitely 5, however Ms. Wynn kept giving us snippets of where the next story (Nikolai's Wolf) was going. I really didn't like those parts and it kind of ruined the reading of it this time.

Ok, re-read this story again. Besides not liking the snippets of Nikolai's Wolf, I actually kept finding editing problems I didn't see the first few times I read it. :-/

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## **Kristin says**

I love this series!!!

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## **~V~ says**

I really liked this one! There was def. more story than the first book (it was at least double in length) and I loved Hugh...he was so sweet!...he reminded me a little bit of Lachlan from SL's the Mane Squeeze...but that may just be because they're both "were bears" ...I LOVE "were bears" ...they're SO cute!! Anyways...very cute story, shorter than most full length books, but very entertaining...and I like how the author kept the couple from the first book involved and how she kept the storyline alive and going with Shannon and Nikolai (who were introduced in the 1st book) she totally set things up for their book which is next...I can't wait! :)

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## **Bunnycore says**

Mary and the Bear. Okay, so I am going to straight up say that I loved this book.

Mary was mentally abused by her family, used, and taken advantage of. She was a twin and her sister died. This is where the story begins.

Now, this is the second part of the series. There is a book before this and that was her best friends book, Keshia is her boss and best friend. Her mate Alex and her live in the town called refuge.

So there now we go back to Mary, Keshia is moving a part of her business to Refuge and offers to Mary to take the job as GM. Mary is worried that her parents are going to need her now that her sister is no longer alive. Then her sister's Husbands, Mary's ex-fiance comes in spouting off how his wife was a cheating bitch and that he should have married Mary this whole time. He apparently has lost it a little. So Mary takes on the job and moves, even tho this really upset her mother. Here she moves into an apartment on the top floor of a restaurant and she meets.

Oh, my gods Hugh... just... well... okay.. so he's.. um.. yea.. He's Hugh.. and well.. He is just... Yummy..

Hugh is a bear. not just a big man because he is that too but he is a bear shifter. And.. well you can guess from here what he is to Mary.

There are some angst and insta-lust, there is some steamy sex and well in the end.. just read this book..

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## **Camille says**

Mary was amazing, I don't know how she could stand to be around her family who sucked her dry and don't even get me started on her mom! Charles was an ass and a perfect villain, he got what he deserved!

The Shannon and Nikolai interludes were a bit disturbing. Overall good!

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