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Meet the people who make it all happen—the planners, the photographers, the musicians who have helped orchestrate the perfect day for countless couples—as they find their own happy endings in the second Year of Weddings novella collection.

She's known for her delicious cakes, but there's no recipe for dealing with the new man in her life.

Charlotte owns the best bakery in Louisiana, and clients come from near and far for her renowned wedding cakes. And while the wedding scene is Charlotte's place to shine, her own love life is more dull than ever. After a string of failed relationships—and men who actually were too good to be true—she has decided to throw herself into her craft and leave love and marriage to her clients.

Will is a successful entrepreneur but devotes much of his spare time to caring for his ill mother. He knows he doesn't have much time left with her, so he has done everything he can to guard his heart from relationships. And what girl would understand that he needs to spend all his time with his mother? But when his best friend calls in his help for his September wedding, Will can't refuse. He's always been there for those closest to him. And when he finds out they don't have a wedding cake yet, he knows exactly where to go—the bakery owned by the beautiful, mysterious young woman he buys treats from.

Charlotte assumes Will is just another party boy who flirts with all the bridesmaids. But is Will hiding something that explains his behavior? And despite their reservations, will they be able to deny the chemistry between them?

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From Reader Review Love Takes the Cake: A September Wedding Story for online ebook

Laura Van Nice says

Touching and cute

This tender story about starting over and learning to trust is as sweet as the desserts that populate its pages.

Rachel Marie says

I loved this story. I'm a sucker for stories that take place in bakeries to begin with, and this one was the cutest.

Charlotte is a single mother, just trying to keep her business afloat. She already made a mistake involving a man, and isn't about to repeat that. But she can't help her attraction to the customer who comes in every Tuesday at 5:40. Will, too, gave up the dating scene to take care of his sister (the GR description is wrong), but something about Charlotte is making him rethink that.

I think this story was going for a Mr. Darcy vibe with Will. Although I could kind of see that, I didn't really think it fit. Although the misunderstandings did abound, P&P style. But I loved seeing them get to know each other, and work through their reasons, and learn to trust each other.

All in all, this was a super cute and fun story. I think it's one of my favorites from this series.

I received a copy from the publisher, this did not affect my honest opinion. This review first appears on The NerdHerd Reads

TANYA says

Simply adorable book. I wish more books were set up like this one. Short. Sweet and to the point.

Charity Tinnin says

3.5 stars

Reading St. Amant is always like eating the best kind of cupcake.

Joy says

This is a nice little story on the redeeming power of love.

Charlotte doesn't think she can trust any man. Will can't stick by one person.

Both come from difficult situations. Charlotte having a baby out of wedlock and Will who blames himself for his sister's accident.

Together, they have to find a way to trust God to allow them to move passed their boundaries and to love again.

I recommend this book for everyone. It's clean and sweet--my favorite kind.

Mackenzie says

A Year of Weddings Series 2 Book 10 **Audio book

Darla Damron says

Cute story about 2nd chances and forgiveness.

Heather says

This book had such a "sweet" start. Sorry, forgive the pun, I couldn't help myself. This was a good little read that I really enjoyed. A single mom and a former player come together, their pasts making them afraid of the future. The couple's growing relationship was heartfelt and I loved seeing how they made it along the way.

P.S. I loved the little girl and the mysterious character that he keeps buying cookies for. ;)

Amanda says

This was an enjoyable story about love, trust and forgiveness. I liked Charlotte and Will. I also love baking so I tend to enjoy stories where a main character owns a bakery.

Jen. says

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This was a very sweet (pun intended...'cause Charlotte runs a bakery) story about forgiving yourself for

your past and learning to trust again so that new love may flourish. I thought the main characters, Charlotte and Will, were lovely. This story was my introduction to Betsy St. Amant and I do plan to seek out more of her work! Especially if there are baked goods involved!

Full review: https://jengalaxy4.wordpress.com/

Grace Tolman says

This was another cute story/novella from this series. I liked Charlotte and Will's character. It tugged at my heartstrings that both were afraid of the future because of past "sins" or what they thought were decisions that they had made that led to sins. There was not enough time for me to really understand some of their deeper characteristics but for the space of their story within this series, I think it worked out. I wished there was some kind of epilogue though, showing when they tied the knot or when they got engaged or something. I felt the ending kind of abrupt.

Heidi Robbins (Heidi Reads...) says

Charlotte's secret crush on her handsome customer is completely natural, but when he asks her out, she automatically assumes he is a cheater like the man who left her single and pregnant. Will is confused since he thought the attraction was mutual, but because he is ashamed of his past, he has a hard time pursuing her. There is quite a bit of inner turmoil and angst in both characters, which overshadows their brief connection. I felt like things didn't have much chance to develop before the ensuing drama hit. Overall it was an interesting story of second chances and seizing the day.

(Thank you to BookLook Bloggers and Zondervan Publishing for a copy of the book in exchange for my honest review)

Dawn says

I'm having fun binge reading on these, though this one made me hungry. Both Will and Charlotte have issues that won't let them leave their safe cocoons. They're afraid to take a chance.

Sarah says

I love this series. This book was light, fun, and sweet. I love that this series is both light, but also has good lessons.

Hannah says

A sweet story about two people who have major hurdles to get over before love: Charlotte, to be able to trust

a man; Will, to be able to get past his burden of responsibility for something from the past. I'm quite sure it would have hit five stars if it had been longer...I wanted more! I also want Melissa to get a story sometime! :)