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In *Sold to a Laird*, the latest passionate Scottish love story from author Karen Ranney, a stubborn beauty sold into marriage by her father is determined to resist the charms of her new husband, a complete stranger. But Douglas Eston and Lady Sarah Baines won't be strangers for long . . .

## **Sold to a Laird Details**

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## **From Reader Review Sold to a Laird for online ebook**

### **Lady Darcie Guenon says**

If only i could find someone like Douglas....he's such a great guy by helping Sarah through her time of need (such as losing her mother and learning she has a family in scotland, not to mention dealing with her evil father). The only thing that i didn't like was the way sarah acted. she drove me crazy with all the proper crap. But once she started to open up she is such a sweet person who only wants to be loved.

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### **SheLove2Read says**

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### **Brandy \*Ahviel\* says**

okay I am not sure how to write this review, only because the book was okay but it still left alot to be desired. For myself I saw this in a three part series. Girl forced to marry man, girl takes man to her home to finish caring for her sick mother, mother dies, girl heads off to scotland to take care of some unfinished business, girl and man start falling in love, then coming back home man discovers his marriage could be destroyed and from there it is about the man and woman fighting for a brief moment to free him..

I actually had to force myself to finish this book ..

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### **K says**

At first, I was not sure whether to give a rating of 3 stars or 4. I guess what finally decided me was the fact that I couldn't put the book down and finished it within 2 days. Now for those who know me, reading a book so quickly is nothing new. What makes this one unique though, is I thought the story was only okay. Despite that, I loved watching the love blossom between the two main characters, and the devotion, patience, and love Douglas showed to Lady Sarah (after all, don't we all dream of a love like that?). As w/ her other books, I like Ranney's attention to details and inclusion of Scotland. I guess what it comes down to is this... I loved the romance of the story, but found the story itself only okay. For fans of romance I would definately recommend this book. However, for those other readers, I will leave it up to them.

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### **Patti TheLoveJunkee says**

Sold to a Laird is the story of Lady Sarah Baines, daughter of the Duke of Herridge. The Duke is a cold, hard man who apparently has no love or use for his daughter. When the story opens, the duke is meeting with Douglas Eston in his office when Sarah barges in and demands that he not send her mother off to Scotland. She is very ill and the trip could kill her. The Duke takes one look at Sarah and offers her to Mr. Eston

instead of cash to buy himself partnership in Mr. Eston's venture. For reasons unknown even to himself, Mr. Eston accepts the offer and they are married two days later.

This book seemed to me to be divided into three parts; the first part centered on Sarah and Douglas marrying and moving into Sarah's country home, Chavensworth, and caring for her ailing mother and the aftereffects of her illness. During this time Douglas shows himself to be a true gentleman and supports Sarah when she needs him even though she hasn't given him much reason to be kind to her. I really liked him.

The middle of the book surrounds Sarah and Douglas' trip to Scotland to visit Sarah's maternal grandfather. Sarah's mother left her family to marry the Duke and never had any communication with them after that. Some family secrets were hinted at and Sarah and Douglas grew into their marriage a bit more comfortably at this point.

The last third of the book takes place after their return to Chavensworth. The Duke was impatient for Douglas to show results in their joint venture; then there was an accident and Douglas had to start over from scratch so the Duke threatened to dissolve Sarah and Douglas' marriage and kidnapped him to force him to fulfill their deal.

I enjoyed this story, and I liked Douglas very much. I didn't like Sarah as much, she kind of got on my nerves at times- she was very prim and proper (which I guess I realize was normal for the time) and she spent a lot of time ignoring Douglas and then worrying that he didn't want to be married to her anymore. I liked the side characters but wish Ms. Ranney would have fleshed them out a bit more; there was some interesting romance happening on the sidelines.

I give this book 3 1/2 stars, it was an enjoyable read.

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### **Sophie says**

I first thought this had a similar storyline to her previous novel, *When the Laird Returns*, e.g. father sells daughter to stranger, you know that kind of thing...but after reading the book, the only similarities was the evil father and helpless daughter being sold to the hero. After that it was completely different and like Ms. Ranney's other books, she is very good with telling a good story. She paints a picture so vivid, so magical with her words that you can't stop reading! I loved Douglas, I wish he was real!! I just wished there were more information on how he learned to make diamonds or even his scientific education, it kind of felt like it come out of nowhere. Sarah on the other hand was a little confusing to me, or maybe I just didn't understand her. One minute she is showing so much emotion like when her mother passed away, but then at the end when she thought Douglas was dead, she just sat in the coach, she didn't even cry, Douglas was the one who found her in the coach just sitting there. I think it was just a little inconsistent. Another thing, I thought the ending was rushed, why did her grandfather give his estate to Douglas, it was random. Overall, it was a good book, although not my favorite Karen Ranney book, I still liked it, mostly because she described such an awe-inspiring hero!

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### **Ana says**

The ending is too cookie cutter and too abrupt, it needs more resolution imho. There maybe a part 2 that I

don't know about though.

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### **willaful says**

Despite liking the characters, I just could not maintain interest in this story. It begins very abruptly and implausibly -- okay, so I tried to adjust to it being that kind of narrative. Then it meandered off into a long discussion about all the housecleaning/supervisory duties in a grand old house. If it had started *out* in a leisurely way, I might have been able to go with the flow, but it just felt like the world's most boring roller coaster ride.

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### **Mary Frenkel says**

God this was awful. Wanted a trashy romance for a vacation but this was sooo slow and boring. Almost nothing happens the entire novel; it's very repetitive and goes into detail about chores and cleaning. I could care less about the characters and hoped they would die in the fire. Won't be reading anything else by this author.

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### **Iin says**

ummm.... gimana ya.. ide ceritanya sih aku lumayan suka, ttg heroine yg gak pernah merasa dicintai yg dijual gitu aja ke hero yg terpikat pd pandangan pertama. Tp karakter2 di cerita ini semuanya kurang kuat menurutku. Awalnya, liat kata 'Laird' di judulnya bikin aku pengen nyerbu buku ini, dgn harapan ya kayak2 Lairdnya Julie Garwood lah. Tapi ternyata....

Si heroine-nya jg tipe yg membosankan, terlalu 'meninggikan' statusnya dan dingin, kurang asik lah pokoknya. Maaf..

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### **Christine Sumner says**

Some times I like to read a "trashy" romance as a palate cleanser between books - it's kind of like literary Sorbet...

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### **Paranormal Romance says**

Heartbroken over the slow and painful illness that is killing her mother, the heroine finally takes up enough courage to confront her tyrant of a father. In the process, she invades a meeting between him and a young man who's looking for an investment. As punishment for her disobedience the father sells his daughter to the man in return for his inventions. Horrified, the heroine finds herself shackled to a stranger. The hero has found a way to create diamonds so as a result he's a very rich man-a whole away from the street thief he was as a youth. Because he's rich, he has no requirement to wed against his will. And though the heroine is striking with her pitch black hair, he admits she's no great beauty. But from the first moment he laid eyes on

her he feel in love. It was such a lovely thing, the hero's love for his skittish and self conscious wife. He's a gentle and patient man who is willing to wait for the heroine to feel the same way about him. In the way are a lot of hurtles including the heroine's mothers death and subsequent travels to Scotland but throughout the journey the heroine slowly began to realize just how dependant she's become on the hero's strength. I myself fell in love with the hero from the first instant. He was strong but passive and dominate but submissive to a point in regards to his wife's comfort. He did have a habit of walking around half naked and at times completely naked-much to the heroine's equal displeasure and secret pleasure. He also had a very strong obsession with her breasts and remarked on them during every sexual encounter. I was a little put off my it after so many descriptions but hey, to each his own. I really liked the heroine who was kept such a tight hold of her emotions and feelings before the hero began to slowly weave his way inside. There is some paranormal activity in the form of a magical mirror which will show you your future but otherwise it was a pretty standard historical romance.

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### **nurmawati says**

2.5 stars

Sungguh membosankan...baca buku ini sungguh melelahkan...

Dan mood baca ku lenyap abis namatin buku ini.

Gak sanggup bikin ripiu.

Sekian.

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### **Joelle says**

This book was just okay it could have been so much more.This was a romance book right ? Where was the romance. The plot started out good the idea of being able to manufacture your own diamonds sounds adventurous right ?This book was lacking all the way around I so much wanted to like this book but did everything i could to get through it . This book was not for me and I love Karen's books , those of hers I read in the past were great so what happen here.

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### **Wenny Widjaja says**

Sebelum baca buku ini , saya melihat review2 yang ada dan hampir semuanya berkomentar buku ini membosankan, sempat dilema juga saya antara mau baca atau tidak, tp karena dilihat dari sinopsisnya bagus jadilah saya mulai baca buku ini.

Namun ternyata tidak sesuai dugaan saya, walau buku ini rasanya datar saja tapi saya ga bisa lepas membacanya, karena penasaran dengan hero dan heroine kita. Yang bikin buku ini memikat saya adalah bagaimana Douglas mencoba membuka hati Sarah dengan percakapan-percakapan kecil perlahan-lahan, bukan seperti HR lainnya yang terlihat menggebu2. Sarah yang juga menutup diri, dingin, bersikap putri duke sejati lama-lama akhirnya luluh dan mulai tertarik sama suaminya.

Menurut saya cerita buku ini manis. Sedih pun ada, bagian yang lucu pun ada, bahkan diakhir-akhir saya bisa berkata buku ini seru karena ditambah action meledakkan rumah. Kata-kata yang paling saya ingat "si bodoh itu meledakkan dirinya sendiri" dan endingnya pun sempurna.

