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Melody Ashford hates waiting for anything-*especially* sex. But after a disastrous affair and a one-nighter with Mr. Micropenis, Mel realizes she's suffering from some bad bedroom juju. And no amount of hot, casual, or friends-with-benefits hookups is going to fix it. Instead, Mel's decided to resist the demands of her ladyparts.

Saying no might have been no problem . . . except that her temporary roommate, Jared Myers, is all kinds of hot male sex on a stick. Now Mel is consumed by all manner of dirty thoughts, and remembering why she decided to "go slow" is getting harder and harder . . . (70,000 words)

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Michelle says

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A sexy hilarious unfiltered romance!!!!! **Operation Foreplay** by Christine Hughes is the first book that I have read from this author and it definitely won't be my last. I honestly didn't know what to expect when I started this book. And let me just say that Christine Hughes had me hooked right off the opening pages. Operation Foreplay reminded me of the television series *GIRLS* and *Sex And The City*. If you are familiar with these shows then you are well aware that these single ladies are brazen, feisty, smart, sexy, and unfiltered especially when it comes to their sex lives. And so, Christine Hughes introduces readers to one sexy blonde named Melody Ashford, who reminds me of a mixture of Samantha Jones and Carrie Bradshaw of Sex And The City. Melody is an almost thirty year old single woman living in the city, who is sassy, feisty, unfiltered and has a voracious appetite for S-E-X. Yes, that's right Melody Ashford has a greedy vagina!!! LOL.

"Honestly, I felt like vagina was going to pack up her shit and leave. She was tired of the deprivation."

Unlike her girlfriends who are in a committed relationships, Melody's relationship status is undefined. She may be considered single but in actuality she has been having an affair with her married boss for quite some time. Melody is well aware of what people would think of their relationship but she justifies it with the fact that her lover is in the process of leaving his wife and will be getting a divorce. Long story short, it takes some time for Melody to finally realize that she needs to make big changes in her life before she turns the big 3-0. After horrible hookups and an awful one night stand with a *Vienna Sausage Micropeen*, she decides that her lady-parts needs to take a vacation and rejuvenate as well. But what happens when her lady-parts starts craving for SEX, when her best friend's brother moves back into town. Can Melody resist her carnal lustful desires and keep her legs closed from Jared Myers? Or will this sex on a stick be her downfall?

Operation Foreplay was a fun sexy hilarious read!!!!! I loved it!!! Ms. Hughes did an amazing job writing a witty, fun, and smart storyline of modern romance. This book had it all as layers of humor, banter, friendship, and embarrassingly awkward moments are told in a fun, fresh and loud way. I laughed, cried, cringed, laughed again, got embarrassed for Melody, and then was left with a big fat smile on my face. Any book that had me inhaling a book in one sitting is definitely a must read!!! So if you are looking for your next embarrassingly sexy and fun read, then I highly recommend you to read **Operation Foreplay.**

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Melissa Ann says

I very much enjoyed this book like the first one. It's hilarious and has great drink ideas that I'll be trying. If your looking for a book that will make you laugh til your side hurts. this is it!

Kirha says

I was given this arc in exchange for my honest opinion.

Mel is a career woman who's in a rut. She's having an affair with a married man and sees nothing wrong with it until Jared, her best friends younger brother, makes her view things differently. She hasn't seen him since he was a lanky teen and now he's panty dropping hot.

Jared just moved back to town after being away for a number of years and he sees Mel again. He can't help but want her just as much as he did years ago. Fresh from a broken engagement he wanted to start over and he intended to do this with Mel despite her compulsion to push him away

I thoroughly enjoyed this book. Jared and Mel chemistry was so strong that it took on a life of its own. The banter between those two was hilarious and when they finally were able to get together, the steaminess was well worth the wait.

My only critique is that I wished it ended a little sooner, or a potion of the ending could have been used as an epilogue.

Four stars

Kirha The Club

Pattrycia says

2.5* the sex-crazed heroine keeps saying that she has a lady-boner (?!) I don't know, it's not boring, but I don't really like it either..

Aurelia Fray says

After reading Operation One Night Stand, picking up Operation Foreplay was a no brainer. There was no way I was going to miss it and sure enough I wasn't disappointed.

Mel is bolshy, confident, unafraid of going for what she wants in life. She has a healthy sexual appetite and a reputation among her friends that reflects that.

And then you get to know her.

Hughes delivered with Mel. I laughed with her, commiserated with her, cringed for her and hurt for her. My gut ached reading about her relationship with the boss. Her misplaced hope in him and what she means to him stung to read. How I hoped she would see through his crap. But fear makes us do funny things and, for

me, Mel was like many of us who stay in something that is undoubtedly toxic.

And Jared... Oh holy yumminess...It is clear just how great he is for her. I might even have developed a little fictional crush.

The development of the characters and their relationships is beautifully done by Hughes. We meet with old friends and new, uncover new secrets and different views into their lives. The sweetness of the budding relationship with Mel and Jared, and the way a woman who "doesn't do relationships" just seems to fit with him, is satisfying to read.

Hilarious, touching, sweet and satisfying. I wholeheartedly recommend this to readers.

1-Click Addict Support Group says

Oh, how I loved spending my weekend catching up with this fabulous group of friends. This time around we have Melody in the spotlight—a bright, shiny, "cop interrogation" spotlight that's making her a bit uncomfortable with her life choices and rash decisions. See, Mel is all about instant gratification—she's not a patient person, especially when it comes to her pleasure, and yeah, she really likes to… err, come.

To prove to her best friends she's in "control" of things, Melody accepts the bet from her best friends that puts her ladybits on hiatus for a few weeks. Which is perfect timing for Mel to become reacquainted with Jared Myers. And of course, now all she can think about is all the dirty things she'd like to do to and with one hot-as-hell, sex-on-a-stick Jared Myers.

But good things come to those who wait, right? Yeah, except the waiting may just kill both of them...

Sigh. I just love these characters. Melody. Damn, she's one stubborn, seize the moment and fuck the consequences personality. Until now. Now when she's finally opening her eyes to the world around her, she's realizing that her group of friends really are moving forward with their lives. Sarah and Drew are together and Caroline and Patrick are living together. Sure, the girls are still her best friends and best confidantes, but something is missing. She's just not sure how to deal with this new reality and it's hilarious and heartwarming to see her work through things.

Jared is swoonworthy. And he and Melody are so alike it's scary. Their relationship is full of laugh-out-loud witty banter and crazy moments. Trust me when I tell you to not be drinking or eating when you read this because you will spit food and drink. And don't even think about not reading this in one sitting—you'll have to know how the bet ends. To see it through to the climax. ~ Missy, 4.5 stars

Dena says

Let me start by saying I absolutely LOVED Operation One Night Stand. It was witty and fun, I definitely laughed my ass off. Operation Foreplay started off strong but then just sort of went downhill for me. I can't really pinpoint where things went wrong. It was a good read and it was cute, I loved reading about the whole gang and how their lives progressed since Operation One Night Stand. I think that was definitely a plus for

me. The banter was fun as always and so the fun drinks with some sort of sexual name, which most of these drinks I've never even heard of. 3.5 Stars. I really wanted to love this, but I just didn't. I think I was spoiled with Operation One Night Stand;-)

"Figured out early on I was a numbers guy. All those sixes and nines-"

"He sucked until I swore to God my clit was going to pop off and shoot down his throat like an errant pea."

I liked Melody but she acted tough on the exterior and yet she was falling apart on the inside. She seemed to make the same mistakes constantly with her boss even though she knew it was wrong. It took her quite a while to finally realize it would never work out with a married man. I loved Jared's character, he was fun and flirty while also being super sexy. I loved the sexual tension between Melody and Jared but it seemed like Jared was completely different later on in the book. I feel like he was so smooth and charming at first but then he becomes more sappy and I felt like he lost his man card there towards the middle to end.

Julianna says

Fabulous! Operation Foreplay started off with Melody accepting a bet from her best friends to prove that she's "in control" which put her...lower region in a series of great foreplay and sexual frustration for a few weeks which also helps her have the advantage to get reacquainted with Jared Myers. The man who has starred so many times in her fantasies.

Time will only tell if the chemistry is really there between Melody and Jared or if it's just sexual frustration that makes them so attracted to each other.

I love Melody's character. She's a woman who's looking forward into her future. There are some things she has to work through with a couple of her friends and just overall in her life, but it's nice to see her accomplish so much during that process.

Jared. Oh boy! He's a sexy beast. You would think that someone that's so similar to Melody's personality would destroy the story, but for me it made the story even more intriguing. Their relationship is full of witty banter, crazy moments and amazing humor. Which I absolutely loved reading.

The only warning that I would give you is don't read this while eating, jogging, or drinking because this book will get you laughing so much that you'll have tears leaking from your eyes. I know I did!

If you wanna see how the bet ended then one-click this book! HIGHLY recommend!

~On Behalf of Once Upon An Alpha

Bree T says

I picked this to read because it looked fun but I ended up struggling with it quite a lot. If I never have to hear

the term "lady-boner" again in my life, I will be happy. Obviously the author heard it somewhere and thought it was hilarious – and maybe it is, dropped once or twice.

Melody Ashford loves sex and has quite a lot of it – good for her. Most of the sex she's having is with her married boss, not so cool. In an attempt to get over that she picks up random strangers in bars, including the one with the referred to Micropenis. Melody's friends seem a bit bored with her sex life and they challenge her to take it slow, to give up sex for a while and just enjoy the foreplay, the build up. In other words, stop gorging yourself on McDonalds and maybe go out for a nice steak.

Melody's friend dumps her brother on Melody while her apartment is being fumigated without even asking her, giving her brother a key to Melody's one bedroom apartment and when Melody comes home, it's to be greeted by a naked Jared. I think this scene is supposed to be funny but it kind of just struck me as all types of wrong. You're a guest in her apartment....and neither you nor your sister had the decency to actually ask her properly before just moving in. Rude. And then you wander around the place naked, which is not exactly how it's polite to behave in someone else's home. But it's billed as okay, because Jared is hot. Like, super hot. Really, really hot. TOTALLY HOT. I get it, but I still don't think it makes much of a difference. It was weird. And a bit creepy.

For a sex freak, Melody reverts to a shrieking Victorian virgin when confronted with naked Jared and there's a clumsy attempt to make her reluctant to hook up with him because she might possibly like him. The thing is Melody and Jared bicker like thirteen year olds and it's really annoying. Also, Jared continually references how much Melody secretly wants him which is pretty much the least attractive thing that anyone can do, ever.

Whilst I thought the idea of slowing down, enjoying the build up and holding off on the actual sex was fun, it was so overblown in practice that it just makes me laugh. Melody says she won't have sex until her birthday which is about two weeks away but you'd swear it was about two decades the way she carried on. She complained like it was air or water that she was being forced to go without and the constant whining about how horny she was and her lady-boner just got on my nerves. It really took away from any chemistry that might have been established because it was all about the desperation to have sex and how agonising it was to wait this looooooong period of time, not to just enjoy the journey there.

Danielle says

When I started this book I didn't really know what to expect in the long run but it was hilarious, cute and it made me not want to put it down.

As far as the characters go they sure are lively bunch of friends who know when to have a good time but they also are very close. I don't know if this will be a series but I really enjoyed each and every character in one way or another.

The plot was different. Mel goes from having sex all the time to basically trying to hold out and take it slow. I really liked how her character grew from not wanting anything serious to being hopeful it could actually happen. The one issue I had with her was how promiscuous she was during the book. Maybe she could have just talked about her past instead of sleeping with 3 men in one book.

I enjoyed how Jared wanted to take things slow to see where they would lead and how he managed to

actually court her while holding back. I liked the sexual tension between them which only made it sweeter when they finally took their relationship to a new level.

One of the things I really loved with this book was the dialogue. It was real and unfiltered between these close friends. They spoke openly with each other and even though they might have not agreed with the other persons choices it worked for them. With some of the topics they had I couldn't stop laughing.

Since Hughes is a new author to me I am really looking forward to reading more from her in the future.

Sybil aka Lala says

In a world of romance novels where heroines are glorified virgins and goody-goody girls who never make mistakes, Melody was the perfect anti-heroine. She was so refreshing. Melody drinks, she fucks and she makes questionable life choices.

Melody is having an affair with her married boss and, while her friends are all in stable relationships or moving up in their careers and making major life changes, she's feeling stuck in a rut a month before her thirtieth birthday. It's when things don't work out with the boss, her latest one night stand was one for the record books of awful and her friend's younger brother rolls back into town looking finer than ever that Melody decides to abstain from sex until she gets her shit together. The younger brother, Jared has always had a crush on Melody and does his damnedest to make things, um... hard for her.

Jared has just left a long term relationship and really isn't interested in anything serious. Jared and Melody are two peas in a pod and when it comes to one night stands and flirting the two can give each other a run for their money. When they both decide to ban orgasms for the next two weeks, things become really interesting, with each one trying to break the other's willpower.

This book is all about the sizzle of anticipation, enjoying naughty flirtations and with a host of quirky characters, Melody's inner monologue and some hilarious situations this book was laugh-out-loud funny! This book is a good time and definitely recommended!

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Katherine DiLauro says

I have never laughed so hard reading a book as I did this one! Melody Ashford is a breath of hilarious air. She is a woman who likes sex. She has been sleeping with her married boss and hoping he will eventually leave his wife. Then along come Jared. The second she sees Jared she is instantly attracted to him. She recognizes him but can't put her finger on how she knows him. To her surprise he is her best friend Sarah's

brother. She now remembers him and his cocky attitude. Sarah ends up asking Melody if Jared can stay with her for a week. During this week they decide that they are going to pretend to be boyfriend/girlfriend to fool her parents and make them leave her alone. Then here comes the bet. No sex and no other form of gratification for 15 days. Melody loves sex and has no idea what she is getting herself into. In the end it was definitely worth it. Melody learned to love without sex. She has never loved anyone in her life and Jared brought that out. Jared is definitely swoon worthy and lovable. The banter between the 2 was awesome! I want more of Jared and Melody! Definitely going into my top 5 reads this year!!

*Reviewed on behalf of Once Upon An Alpha *

Trader (RedHotBlueReads) says

Melody isn't having the greatest luck with her love life. After a doomed relationship follows it's natural course to doom, and her next encounters leave her less than satisfied, she thinks the universe might be telling her to slow down the sexcapades and take a break.

But when she realizes her friend's gorgeous brother is now staying in her apartment, well, that break seems a whole lot more difficult.

I love the humor and lightness in both the Operation books from this author. If you are looking for something fun and light that doesn't involve shaming, then this might be for you. I loved the girls and how they interacted with each other, and I loved Jared's way of dealing with Mel. Operation Foreplay was just a fun read that I enjoyed.

ARC provided for review.

Jen says

5 Refreshing Stars

I always said I didn't want to be a relationship girl.
I always said I wasn't girlfriend material.
I always said I didn't want to be bothered.
I always lied.

Operation Foreplay was a big ol' breath of fresh air in a month of reading that's been surprisingly hit or miss for me. I can usually find something to amuse myself in most of the contemporary romances I read but lately the same old formulas have left me feeling flat and bored as hell. Well hallelujah and all that jazz because I loved this!

"Really. Look. Sex. I like that shit. And I'm not going to compromise my likes, dislikes, or general behavior because of this so you can take your fabulous idea of abstinence off the table. My vagina would revolt against me if I were to put her on hiatus and I love her and all the good feels she gives me entirely too much to do that to her. I mean, would you deny a blind man the gift of sight? Why deny her"— I

What do you do if, just weeks before turning 30, you find yourself in a relationship with your married boss and unable to let him go because you can't resist the sex? What if sexing random hook ups no longer holds any appeal? Kick anything with a penis to the curb and declare your lady bits out of commission until you hit the Big 3-0, of course.

What was it with men and their cocks? If it is small, own it. Work on the technique. Whatever. Make the girl forget that your penis is smaller than the heel of her shoe.

This book was all about emotional growth in my humble opinion. **Yes, it was funny as hell and the dialogue between pretty much everyone rocked!** I loved the fact there was no slut shaming and watching Melody finally realize she's been using her relationship with her very married boss as an excuse to not involve herself in a *real* adult relationship was awesome. Yes, she does the horizontal mumbo with a married man but in the name of entertaining fiction, I'm gonna allow it. And for a good 80% of the book we get to experience her slowly fall in love with her best friend's younger brother, Jared.

"I mean it. You need that slow buildup. Those crazy feelings where you think you're going to lose your mind."

Ahhh, Jared. Sweet, sexy and looks fabulous naked, Jared. Melody never stood a chance when he decided she was finally going to be his. He wasn't a growly, monosyllabic alpha which I found incredibly refreshing. **He used complete sentences and never once either answered a question with or referred to her as "babe."** Shocking, I know, but he won my jaded as hell heart.

Bottom line, I freaking loved Melody, Jared and almost everything about *Operation Foreplay*. If you're as worn out by the Instalove stories bombarding your life as I am, I highly recommend this.

Jaime Fiction Fangirls Book Review says

3.5 Stars

I really enjoyed Operation One Night Stand and when I found out that Melody was getting her story I was excited to see if anything or anyone could slow her down.

Honestly, I have to say that Melody wasn't a very likable girl for the first 50% of this book. She's sleeping with a married guy and hoping he leaves his wife but still flirting, and sleeping with other guys? I am all for women having sex when and with whomever they choose but when it is hurting someone other than those who are having the sex, that's a hard limit for me.

After the 50% mark I start to like Melody as a person better but I was bored with the story. There were some pretty hilarious jokes and I did like how playful Melody and Jared were with each other but it just felt like the story was dragging on.

The writing was good and I enjoyed the banter between the characters, especially when they were drinking their naughty named drinks, but I just didn't fall in love with Melody and Jared the way I did with Brian and

Caroline.

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