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## Can they resist the pull?

For the first time ever, Nina is on the brink of following her heart. But can she believe Alex when he tells her to trust him? Or is he just another beautiful liar?

#### **Beautiful Liar Details**

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# From Reader Review Beautiful Liar for online ebook

## Derna says

\*I received a copy in exchange for an honest review.\*

\*\*3.5 Stars\*\*

Beautiful Lies by Tara Bond was a story about trust, secrets, lies, and responsibility.

At nineteen Nina should be living a carefree life, however with an alcoholic and a 14-year-old sister to take care off this wasn't the case. Life was hard, and it was about to become harder.

Alex Noble was a playboy, who loved the ladies and a life of partying. Unlike Nina, he defiantly lives a carefree life. Nina & Alex two come from different worlds, but when they meet they can't deny the attraction they have for each other.

"There was something in the way he looked at me –an almost penetrating stare that seemed designed to unnerve me"

"I never met anyone quite like you before. I find you intriguing"

I liked Nina, and my heart went out to her with all that she had been through he was a tough cookie with a great attitudes and fighting spirit. Alex had issue & Demons of his own, and I wasn't too sure about him. One minute I would like him and the next not as he would do someone to piss me off! He could go from being a Mr. Nice guy to being an a\*\*hole in less than 60 seconds.

The storyline was interesting, with parts I liked, and parts I didn't. The author threw in plenty of twists and turns to keep the story interesting. There were some that took me by surprise, and others I did guess, but that being said, it didn't spoil the read for me, as I was intrigued to see how the story plays out, and if my theories were right. The attraction between Nina and Alex was there, but I felt that something was missing. I need more passion and sexiness between theses two, as what was there fell a little short for me.

It was any easy read, and I did become engrossed in the book at one point that I manage to get on the wrong tube and go five stops in the wrong direction before I realise my mistake. So it took me three tubes to great home instead of one. Ha-ha

"There was something in hi gaze that I hadn't seen before, and I could feel my heart speeding up. My lips suddenly felt dry and I wet them"

The ending took me by surprise as it felt it just ended. I remember thinking oh, is that it! I'm a big fan of epilogues, and this was missing from this one, especially as it was standalone. I wanted to see what the future had in store for Nina and Alex.

Overall, I liked Beautiful Lies. Love that it was set in London, as a West London girl myself; I knew a lot of the locations that were in the book! That's is always a plus for me. It was the first I have read by this author, and I would read more.

# Katrina says

Beautiful Lies by Tara Bond was a story about mistrust, trust, secerts held within, lies and responsibility.

The main character Nina is living a life filled with responsibility to a younger sibling. With an alcoholic mother and no one else in the picture Nina has to deal with the every day dealings in bringing up a child. She Picks up the pieces of her mothers constant stuff ups, and tries to keep her family together the only way she knows how.

She was a solid and strong character, despite her upbringing and circumstances.

Along the way Nina meets Alex, total opposite to Nina, but somehow Ying and yang clicked so to speak . ALex with his easy life, Nina with hers full of responsibility - the both came from different lives but managed to make a friendship and find trust in someone.

The story was unpredictable and had me wandering which way it would go, this alone kept me intrigued to read on and find out how the story panned out.

With quiet a few twists in the plot, it was engaging enough to keep me wanting more. But saying this the plot twists didn't have me squirming in my seat but certainly interested enough to continue on.

I enjoyed the authors writing and the story was relatively well delivered, my only qualm I felt the story ended to suddenly. As a reader I wanted more, to find out what happened with Nina, which direction her story went. And as this is a standalone we wont see this.

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# NiCoLeTa E. says

## **Merril Anil says**

## Amalgamation of every other New Adult book but has a charm that you can't resist

As I said, Beautiful Liar is an Amalgamation of every other New Adult book but has a charm that you can't resist. Maybe it's the silky language that just draws you in and hold you there. What I felt with the book was a weird phenomenon. I knew and could predict successfully each twists and turns but somehow I was still excited and thrilled for the book and I don't know why. Its really creepy like the way in spite of knowing that Leonardo is going to die in Titanic, every time you watch it, and see him plunge into the water, you are hoping he is going to survive the night rather than screaming at the screen as to why they couldn't think of taking turns for staying in the water.

I think what the book deserves is a good applaud for the narration and language quality because in spite of everything, both these factors simply makes the book a good and engaging read. Plot and characters are for me personally predictable and nothing I haven't seen before or read before but still was part of a good experience for the book

One of the portions that even the good narration and language couldn't work towards was the epilogue or the Christmas special section that they had towards the ending which was a sour part for me for being too painfully cliché and unnecessary without much contribution to the book.

Do not come to the book excepting something new and unheard of because its not. All it offers is everything that you have seen or read before but if you throw away your prejudices and high expectations, what you get is a lovely entertaining and light read.

## Silvia says

This review was originally posted on my blog, Darkest Sins.

This book got me intrigued the moment I put my eyes on it so, when the publisher asked me if I wanted to be part of the review tour, of course I said yes. A bit different from the NA books I've read so far, "Beautiful Liar" offers an engaging story rich of surprising twists and quite the drama.

Nina and Alex come from two very different backgrounds, and that is exactly what makes them so interesting. Nina is a strong girl who struggles to keep her family together and works hard not to let everything completely fall apart, while Alex is a rich, careless womaniser, party-hard kind of guy who's quite difficult to like. Although, the more you read the more you develop a fascination for him... Nevertheless, you'll want to slap him more than once and even yell at him. A lot. What those two characters share is a certain drama that makes you question things through the whole read, and keeps you on the edge until the end. I may have found a few events running a bit fast or being too easily dismissed, but it was still hard to put the book down and I truly enjoyed the read.

"Beautiful Liar" is a winning story that gets you emotional and angry at the same time, and proves further more that lying definitely does no good to anyone.

# Naomi says

4.5 Stars

Original Review @ Naomi's Reading Palace

I'm just going to say it... Beautiful Liar was an incredible read!! Nina grew up too early in life, having to care for April, her 14 year old sister and her alcoholic mother. She doesn't go to school; she works any job that she can hold down to keep them all together under one roof. An incident at their home caused by her mother, lands April in a foster home, her mother in rehab and Nina homeless. Nina finds the courage to call Duncan Noble, her father's old boss, to see if he can help her find a job.

Now that's only the first three chapters, and I already had so much respect for Nina! She showed that she had heart, was willing to work instead of accepting money, and is loyal to her family despite their issues. She will do anything to get her family out of the situation they are in, even dealing with an extra hurdle her mother threw her way.

What she didn't expect, was to draw the attention of Alex Noble, the playboy son who's nothing but trouble. When he's at Destination –the club where Nina works – he always seems to be watching and makes sure he crosses paths with her. I could see the attraction between them getting stronger and although Nina is too proud to ask for help, he goes out of his way to do things for her. I loved seeing the connection between Nina and Alex grow. Nina hasn't had time for friends previously, and little by little she opens up to Alex. I enjoyed the banter between them, especially the times that Alex tried to hit on her and she rejects him! She is focused on her goal and finds it hard to relax.

After reading Beautiful Liar, I have become an instant fan of Tara Bond! I loved the way she wove this story together, building up Nina's world and created characters that weren't perfect. They made mistakes, tried to change and fell in love. They cared for their families and did everything they could to keep them together. There were a few twists thrown in, and just as I thought I knew what happened, I was thrown another curve ball. All of the characters grew throughout the book, not just Nina and Alex, but April and her mother too. I loved how it all wrapped up and when I closed the book, I let out a loud sigh... I cannot wait to see what Tara brings us next!

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## Sarah says

(Source: I received a digital copy of this book for free on a read-to-review basis. Thanks to Simon & Schuster UK and NetGalley.)

"As of this morning, the court's placed April in foster care. The judge won't make any final decision for

a while, but the way things are looking, I think there's a strong chance your mother's parental rights will be removed and your sister will be placed permanently in care until she's eighteen."

This was an interesting new adult contemporary romance, with a bit of mystery.

Nina had a pretty rough time in this book, with her mother an alcoholic in need of rehab, and a 14-year-old sister to look after, never mind a burnt out flat, she really was struggling! I felt quite sorry for her, and it seemed like every time something went wrong, several other things went wrong at the same time.

The storyline in this was about Nina's struggle to get her life back on track, as well as her romance with Alex, and all the ups and downs that went along with it, and there were a lot of downs! I kept hoping that they could patch things up and be together, but every time it seemed like it might be possible, something else came along to ruin things.

The ending to this was pretty happy all things considered, and I was glad that things eventually worked out for the best.

6.5 out of 10

# Nastassja says

#### Actual rating: 3.4

Dear Book.

I don't know what to think of you. Were you good? Should I recommend you to my friends? What happened with you in the last 30% that you became so rushed and left me with the hollow feeling of incompleteness? Did you get tired of me and my excitement? Please, Book, give me a reason to understand you, so I could stop hurting after finishing you and could get on with my life.

Sincerely yours, Nastassja

I think this book is my punishment for loosing faith in NA genre. I was absolutely frivolous picking it up and thinking I am going to flirt with it a little before going to sleep. I was SURE I wouldn't like it at all and was eager to prove my point. But, vice versa, this book proved its point to me and kicked me hard in the... um, on my brain. I started reading it and couldn't go to sleep till morning light filtered through my curtains and my eyes were closing on their own volition. So not fare! I was only 50% into the book!

This is a story of a young girl *Nina* (19 years old), who lives with an alcoholic mother and little sister. She has to care about them both, so no personal life or free time of her own - only survival. Nina finds herself in a desperate position and asks for help from an old employer and a friend of her deceased father. And soon she is plunged into the world of rich, wicked and unprincipled *Alexander Noble* and some old family secrets will emerge on surface. From that point, I am sorry for the fan girl twittering I am going to dose this review

with.

Alexander Noble (22 years old). Meet one of the most unprincipled, manipulative, unreliable, reckless heroes I've ever met.

When people around are telling him that he acts like a total bastard, he intentionally starts to behave worse to prove them right.

'Sometimes it's worse. He tends to go off the rails when someone has a go at him. Like he thinks – well, if they have such a low opinion of me, then there's no point trying to prove them wrong.'

That what I call devil-may-care attitude.

Of course, he is panties melting handsome:

He was maybe in his early twenties, and he had that aristocratic look about him – with chinlength, dishevelled black hair falling across a perfectly symmetrical face. The high cheekbones, straight nose and porcelain skin might have seemed almost effeminate if he hadn't had a spattering of designer stubble across his chiselled jawline, giving a bad-boy roughness to his looks.

For a second, all I could see was his eyes – they were the palest shade of ice-blue I'd ever seen, and watchful and predatory, like a wolf's. There was something almost unnatural about them. He looked me over with what seemed to be cool disinterest.

Everywhere he goes, he is looking as though he owns the place and attention of every woman around. I think it is also has to do with his peculiar taste in clothes:

But it wasn't just his size that made him stand out. In black fitted trousers, a white pirate shirt and burgundy-velvet jacket, he had that flamboyant look of the Romantic era.

He likes to live on edge and to taste danger and risk:

He was jaded and dangerous, someone who lived on the edge.

Also he likes to indulge in alcohol and some recreational pharmaceuticals (his words) - cocaine to be exact:

I wondered for a second what he was doing there. Then, as if to answer my question, he bent over, his silky dark hair falling across his face, and snorted a line of coke.

'So just because I've been known to have a drink or indulge in some recreational pharmaceuticals, you assume I'm out driving around drunk or coked out of my brain? That's quite a leap.'

Not so far from the truth, though.

He actually treats all women like one-night stands:

'She won't say anything. Tori knows the score. She knows I'm not a one-woman man.' He took a step towards me. 'In fact, say the word and I'm happy to ditch her.'

As you can see he is the worst kind a girl can fall for.

But you know what? Fuck logic! I love that bastard! **If I were to compare him with other fictional bad boys**, I'd say Alexander is a hybrid of Nikolai (The Grisha Trilogy), Morpheus (Splintered), Baldair (Air Awakens), Warner (Shatter Me). I think that is a big enough list for you to have a mental picture.

Now, we have a book and there's a relationship between MCs, and logically I have to describe what kind of relations you can expect from this book. **Nina and Alexander are complicated together.** I know, characters are always complicated in a book, but in this one, I had to admit, I feel kind of **respect toward Nina for not giving in to Alex** and having her head on her shoulders most of the time.

Alex might not be an alcoholic, but he was wild and unpredictable – everything I wanted to avoid. I hated looking after my mother, and I wasn't about to trade one co-dependent relationship for another.

And trust me, it was not an easy task to accomplish with Alex constantly provoking Nina:

But then he seemed to be moving closer, his hand reaching out behind me. It took me a split second to realise that he was trying to grab my bottom.

That was too much. Instinctively I took a step back, trying to put some distance between us. 'What the hell are you doing?'

I'd assumed my outraged tone would shame him, but he looked unperturbed . He cocked his head to one side, studying me through heavily lidded eyes. 'What exactly do you think I was doing?'

In fact, if you are wondering, he wasn't going to grab her bottom (not yet at least).

**Pushing Nina's buttons is one of his mind games.** He doesn't really care for her, but wants to get closer to her, so subsequently he could hurt someone else. And that, my dears, is the worst kind of manipulation. I really thought that he likes her a lot because of her, but time and again he manipulated poor girl, and when she again withstand against his onslaught, he hurt her more by taking another female to his room in front of Nina or having a party and making out with a few females in front of her. It was his way of saying: If you don't want me darling, it's ok, there are plenty of women who does.

I hate him for that.

But however long Nina and Alex play hate/love dance, it is always intense, bordering on a fringe of derailing and either having a favorable outcome or turning into a total disaster.

'Yeah, well, that's easy for you to say. You've never had to worry about anything apart from

enjoying yourself. Don't judge me when you have no idea what my life is like.' 'Fair enough, I won't.' He waited a beat. 'As long as you do me the same courtesy.'

I believe they are one of the most intense couples I read about.

With that, he grabbed me by the shoulders, backed me up against the wall and kissed me. I felt the urgency of his mouth on mine, the hard weight of his body pushing against me. His hands moved from my shoulders to my face, pulling me closer as his kiss deepened. The music and noise from inside felt so far away as Alex's lips dropped to my neck and he ran the tip of his tongue along my collarbone.

I couldn't stop myself from letting out a moan, deep in the back of my throat.

I was glad this book doesn't have such words like "cock" or "cunt" or ever-present "pussy". There's also **no explicit sex scenes**. This book **concentrates mostly on relationship between characters and how they see each other**, though we have only Nina's POV, but we see how Alex expresses himself through Nina's eyes. Of course, Alex is not that bad and he cares for Nina; of course, he'll try to be better for her and blah blah. All that is good and important in a relationship.

BUT, If all was so smooth, why did I give this book three and a half stars? First of all, because of my little experiment with eye rolling every time I noticed a cliche. I counted 25 eye rolls, and it is not much compared to lots of other NA book I've read, but, still, it is enough to remove a star from the book. And secondary, because of the last 30%. They were erratic, rushed, incomplete and did give me a total heartbreak. The ending turned out too cliched, too simple and embellished. I expected much more from such a complex hero like Alex. I expected a different ending - the one without a happy outcome. I understand that this is a romance story and we need HEA in books, but you saw what Alex is like, and even if he tries or changes to some extant, will it be enough? I think no. And when you create such a multi-layered relationship between MCs, you can't just resolve the issues as if by magic (example of a great ending Innocents). If you create realistic characters, then create an realistic final for them. And in the case of this book, it wasn't meant to be a happy one. It would've been more realistic for Alex to stay alone in the end, because in real life such complex, self distinctive, conflicted people do not change abruptly, not even for love.

## **★** Belle The Bibliophile **★** says

UGH. I wanted so badly to love this book. To be honest, what really drew me to this book was the beautiful cover. The blurb, honestly didn't interest me much. Regardless of that, I really did try to like the book but it just didn't work.

The Hero was a douchey shitbag most of the time and I thought he really could have make use of some growing up. His antics made me pissed. By the time he changed, I was really over him.

The Heroine's well, I adored her dedication and bravery in trying to make a good living for her sister with an absentee mother. But other than that, she's pretty dull.

Did that ending surprise me? Hell no.

# 1-Click Addict Support Group says

This is a book about looking out for you, while learning to accept that some people genuinely want to help you out.

Nina is a 19 year old who has been taking care of her 14 year old sister and her alcoholic mother the best she can. When circumstances change, and her world flips upside down, she is forced to go to the one person her mother hates for a job.

Alex is a party animal and a womanizer living up to reputation. He's out to prove he really is as bad as everyone believes him to be, but underneath it all, he's just marshmallow fluff.

The premise of this book and the story were good, but the writing fell a little flat at times. There was a lot of inner dialogue that was important, but at times it seemed a little drawn out. There were also some terms which American readers *may* have trouble with.

Having said that, I would buy more books from this author in the future; that is how much I liked the story! ~ Devlynn, 3.5 stars

# All-Things-Books [Whairigail] says

#### 4 Interesting, Unusual Stars

## Blurb

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#### My Review

I felt a prickle of trepidation

It was too late to turn back now

This was a such a refreshing, realistic story!

For the first time in a long time, I opened a book and was hooked from Chapter 1.

Nina Baxter is our heroine in *Beautiful Liar*, she is a daughter and big sister and a loyal-to-a-fault. She has become the caregiver of the family and this is the crux of the story.

Alex Noble is a playboy - he flaunts his cash and has a string of women willing and ready to fall at his feet.

Their story is connected in the strangest of ways, which I think is best read without any spoilers or hints.

I found the pace of this book worked well with the development of the story. It was full of reality with just a touch of sweet/sexy throughout.

Tara Bond did an excellent job keeping me hooked on Beautiful Liar and I would definitely pick up another of her novels.

I'd grown up on one of the roughest estates in London but somehow being among the rich and entitled felt more dangerous than anything I'd ever experienced.

\*I was provided with a copy of this book in exchange for an honest review via TheHotBed\*

#### Emma says

Beautiful Liar is a gritty portrayal of family responsibility, secrets and how the most unlikely of relationships transpire against all odds.

With a UK setting and the grim portrayal of poverty, the harsh divide between the wealthy and the poor, Beautiful Liar is at times painfully realistic. I have to be honest and state the plot does contain a lot of triggers for me as a reader due to the nature of their mothers alcoholism and the struggle to raise emotionally healthy children while struggling to pay bills. The inclusion of statistics regarding children of alcoholics while providing depth to the plot did increase my anxiety levels where my own children are concerned having dealt with their father's alcohol dependency.

Nina is an outsider due to her embarrassment of her family situation, she has assumed the parental role for

her younger sister following her father's death and mothers subsequent descent into alcohol. The way in which alcoholics become solely focused on getting their next 'fix' was extremely well portrayed. The deceit and selfishness was realistically portrayed within the narrative and very relatable (Unfortunately). Nina is understandably guarded where her emotions are concerned. Trust is a difficult thing for her to give due to the constant broken promises she has experienced.

Alex, on the other hand, is the epitome of a self-fulfilling prophecy. The poor, little rich boy acting out in order to gain Daddy's attention. He exaggerates all of his bad qualities and does not take rejection well. In all honesty, I could not understand the attraction between Alex and Nina as they were so different. Maybe, that is the attraction \*shrugs\* Alex cultivates his image to gain the most impact. There are glimmers of the person he could become under the surface but just as I started to like him something would happen to make me dislike him even further. For me, Alex will not be joining my harem of book boyfriends

# Donna {Book Passion for Life} says

I hadn't heard of this book before I was asked to take part in the blog tour. It's not often I get to read new adult, unless it's my own books so I jumped at the chance to read this. And I was quite surprised by it.

At nineteen years old, Nina Baxter has more responsibilities than most people her age. Her mother is an alcoholic and so it's Nina's job to look after her fourteen year old sister and try to bring in as much money as possible to help keep their family afloat. However, her mother seems to be determined to ruin things because she can't control her drinking and it results in her sister being put in the foster system. Nina has no choice but to turn to the one person she hates and ask for work.

Alexander Noble - party animal, womaniser and honestly doesn't care about anything. He'll inherit millions of money and therefore, doesn't lead a normal life which includes working. But when Alex meets Nina he knows she's nothing he wants in a women. But for some reason, Nina and Alex can't keep away from each other but will Nina be ever to trust Alex?

I really enjoyed *Beautiful Liar*. It was a very quick read and gave me just what I was looking for in a new adult read - interesting, exciting, steamy, mysterious, just a little bit gritty and hot. It's a story that keeps you on your toes but you can't predict the ending - will they get their act together or not? It was a nail-biting read at times and also sometimes, even though it has some small clichés, it was still pretty enjoyable.

I liked both Nina and Alex. They have two completely different backgrounds so it was enjoyable to see them come together and how they would fit into each others worlds. Nina was of course more likable than Alex. It took time for me to like him because he's such a douche to start with but he definitely grows on you as you read their story.

In all, Beautiful Liar was a good read for me and I hope you all enjoy it just as much!

Thank you to The Hot Bed for giving me the opportunity to review this book in exchange for an honest review.

# The Hopeless Romantics Book Blog says

Review-Jo

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I am totally confused by my feelings for this book. It was a story that I enjoyed, however it wasn't one that I fell in love with and the ending left me feeling frustrated. I felt that it came to an end so abruptly when I really wanted more of a sneaky peak into Nina's future. Sadly I didn't get that and as this story is a standalone, I doubt I will ever get to see what is in store for Nina. To be honest I was left feeling a little disappointed.

Nina was living a miserable life. With an alcoholic mother and no father around, she was the only responsible adult of the family and also a substitute mother to her younger sister. Nina had so much to deal with for someone so young. Her story pulled at my heart strings. I couldn't help but like and admire her for the constant strength and resilience that she demonstrated. Nina had been repeatedly left to pick up the pieces that her mother had left behind but was determined to keep her family together and she saw it as her duty to do this. Nina was one tough cookie!

For once, I wanted to act without thinking- to just go for what I wanted, even if it wasn't good for me.

Alex was a cocky, rich playboy who I was instantly intrigued by. He had such an easy life, with no worries or concerns and he was the complete opposite of Nina. When Alex and Nina met, even though they came from very different worlds, they were attracted to one another. This made me a little worried for Nina as I wasn't sure if Alex was was someone who she could trust. She had enough hassle in her life already. Nina really didn't need to add heartbreak to her long list of problems.

"I know I made mistakes in the past, and perhaps they're too big for you to ever forgive me. But I'm trying to change, Nina. I want to change-for you."

My curiosity of how this story would play out kept me turning the pages. I was constantly second guessing how things would turn out for Nina and Alex but each time I got it wrong. It was definitely a story that I could not predict. There were quite a few plot twists which I was not expecting but they failed to excite me in the way I would have liked. I enjoyed this authors style of writing but this one did not grab me or thrill me as much as I had hoped, however it was still worth the read.

"I knew in that moment that, whatever was between us, there was no turning back from it now."

"Beautiful Liar" gets ♥?♥?♥?.5 from me.

# Nawal says

### Sorry, I just had to! ^^^

Beautiful Liar turned out be quite an enjoyable little read for me. This is actually Tara Bond's first book and I'm quite surprised because it's written so well.

The story is set in London, about a young woman; Nina, who is looking after her alchoholic mother and a younger sister of 14. All responsibility falls to her shoulders and she must do what she has to do in order to look after her family. Alex, comes across as a spoilt, rich, brat who does as he pleases. Complete opposites to each other, but as she sees more into Alex's world, she begins to question how she must live her life.

I quite admired Nina's character. To me she came across as a strong young individual, and someone quite different to be honest. I mean you would imagine at 19 everyone thinks about themselves and wouldn't really take on the responsibility of their family. However, I quite admired Nina's characteristics and her willpower to help her family by sacrificing the things every youth would do.

Alex was also an interesting character. I think He was exactly what Nina needed, a little recklessness, after being so lost in her responsibilities it was about time she loosened up. I'm glad she found Alex at the time she did or else I think she would just become lost along the way.

I think it's quite an interesting read, as I was kept intrigued until the end. I really did like the characters and as I said before the writing was pretty great too. However I did have an issue as with any book. The ending didn't feel the best for me as it was a little rushed to me and I was expecting more out of it. Nevertheless, an enjoyable read overall!