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This new Slye Temp romantic thriller from New York Times bestseller DIANNA LOVE takes readers on an intensely emotional ride when a black ops mission takes a deadly turn, pitting duty against love.

Allowing her to escape turns into Tanner's worst mistake, but now he'll risk all to keep her safe or die trying.

Slye Temp agent Tanner Bodine's decision to extract a beautiful Amerasian female defector who shows up unexpectedly on a black ops mission blows up in his face, putting his country and his family at risk. Brilliant researcher Soo Jin makes a desperate gamble to save her sister from the vicious Orion Hunters, but the stakes go up when a sexy cowboy steps between her and her dangerous goal. Tanner must let go of his past and Jin must face her darkest fear in a race to prevent chemical warfare from being unleashed that will bring America to its knees. But their greatest challenge lies in who to save when emotions blur the lines and they face a choice between duty and love.

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Yvonne Taylor says

The Slye Temp Series is some of the BEST suspense loaded books out there. Dianna Love's characters are so realistic. The characters flow from one book to the other, and you get to know each of them, and can't wait to read more about their stories, Thank You Dianna for many hours of enjoyable reading. I can't wait to see what is in store for the Slye Team in the next book.

Karin says

Slye Temp Book Five

The Slye team is contracted to help two North Korean scientists defect. In the middle of the op, Tanner runs into a woman who claims to have a better way out of the country as the original location had been leaked. When the team follows her lead, Jin thinks they will help her find her sister and take her to America with them. Once they get there, though, the game changes and Jin must trust Tanner to keep her safe.

If you're looking for a story with action and intrigue, this series is the one for you!

Michelle says

This is more of a three and a half star read for me. I was definitely entertained by reading this- would walk to and from my building while reading. And truth be known two nights I actually sat in my car to read a chapter before starting my car to go sit in traffic.

Is this a standalone book? I've read the first book in this series. I do not believe I had read anything else prior to reading this one. Did I feel like I'd missed an excessive amount? Not really. Although it would seem that the books are linked, I was fairly comfortable with the level of knowledge that I built just by reading this book and numerous months ago the first one.

What is my biggest complaint with this book? The book came to such an abrupt end with its climax. Was expecting it to be longer than it was.

Would I recommend this book? It was a pretty decent romantic suspense book, so possibly.

Would I read the other books in this series? I actually feel like I want to go back and read books two, three and four before trying the next one!

Macwolf01 [Elise] says

This is my first Dianna Love book, and I really enjoyed it. I will definitely pick up more by her.

Their job was to get in and get the two defectors out, instead the alarm went up too fast. Help came in the form of a slight 'ninja', who turns out to be a woman who needs and wants to defect too.

Tanner Bodine is a Slye Temp agent, they do the jobs that the government doesn't want to anyone to know they were involved. He knows he should leave her behind, but after she gets them so they can be picked, he decides to take Soo Jin with them.

I give this book 4 stars.

Heather says

This may be my favorite book in the series so far. I swear they just keep getting better and better. I think I have officially reached that point where I want to go back and reread the entire series because I want more! I want to go back with all the new information revealed in this book and read the others again, so I can see if I should have expected all the surprises. However, I don't think I could have seen them coming. Deceptive Treasures was HUGE for the series. I learned a lot about some of the characters I didn't pay much attention to before, but I want to know everything about them now! This book has left me reeling, and it's going to take a while to move past this one...lol!

First of all, it's written by Dianna Love, so I knew it would be hot and full of excitement. However, being that the book starts off in freaking North Korea, I knew this excitement was going to a whole new level. Add in all the properly used mentions of FUBAR, and, yeah, there was a whole new level of excitement. Those poor Slye Temp guys, of all the places. North Korea guarantees trouble. Dianna Love also has one heck of a talent when it comes to the in-between-chapters cliffhangers. Someone gets shot, then BAM you are somewhere else, dying from the anticipation of what is happening elsewhere, but I love that!!! She does a fantastic job filling in information from the other books, in case you forgot, or have not read them yet. Just let me say though, if you have not read the other books.....GO READ THEM!!!

The little puzzles within the book were amazing as well. All kinds of questions pop up, and trust me, the answers are worth the wait. There were a lot of great surprises in this book. Well, they were great for the readers, not so great for the characters. Jin was one shock after another, but seeing her character develop, really made this story one of the best. I think she is one of my favorite heroines of all time! She is most definitely one of the toughest! The Orion Hunters are taking center stage, and it is fascinating.

Another thing I really love about this book is how crazy the women make the guys. I don't want to give it all away, but just know, a lot of stuff comes out in this book that I think is really setting up the future books of the series. I know it all left me wanting more. I could go on forever about all the greatness stuffed into these pages, but that would ruin the surprises, so get this book and read it, or better yet, get them all!

Donna says

A romantic thrill ride from start to finish. This may just be the best in this series to date. Tanner & Jin will pull you in and keep you guessing from page 1. This story will take you to parts unknown and then bring you home again. More secrets are revealed and new mysteries crop up. A fabulous addition to this terrific series.

Claudia says

Edge of Your Seat Action Filled Thriller with Great Deal of Romance

A dangerous mission on North Korean soil and the accurate depiction of Korean-American women's plight got me interested in this book. The exciting and action filled days of the likable main characters, along with their individual struggles with abandonment and trust issues kept me glued to the pages. I found myself guessing at every clever twist and turn the story took. The way the story centered on current world affairs, along with well researched material makes this a read not to be missed!

Sparkymom says

Great addition

This is one of my favorite military style suspense series. Jin was kick butt from the start. I loved her spirit and her loyalty. Tanner knew he was in over his head with her almost from the start. I liked how the tension between them played out and how Tanner's team finally accepted Jin. I have hesitated a while before reading this story because the blurb just didn't sound all that interesting to me, but I am glad I finally tried it. It was typical Slye Temp quality and full of action and deception. I also really like how this series gives little bits about relationships that will likely be featured in future books. This book have glimpses of relationships for Sabrina, Nick, and Diego. I can't wait to read the next book.

crashqueen73 says

This rating is not based on the quality of the writing. This is a rating based on how I felt about the book. I did not enjoy it. That is why I gave it a one star.

The pack I bought this in is called Danger and Desire and this story, Deceptive Treasures definitely had danger. Forty five chapters of it. So if you like action you could really enjoy this book. It is a great danger/ action filled story and well written at that.

Desire? Hmmm... maybe a page or three of that. So not a book for me and thus my rating.

Barb Lie says

Deceptive Treasures by Dianna Love is the 5th book in her wonderful Slye Temp series. This series just keeps on rolling, with suspense, thrills, excitement, danger and a super romantic couple. I have to say Dianna

Love does a fantastic job with each book in this series, as she flawlessly brings us a new story that always stands on its own, not to mention her continuing to give us such awesome characters.

Tanner is our hero, and one of agents that work for Sabrina Slye at the Slye Temp agency. He is leading a black ops mission to bring home two scientist defectors. Before you can turn too many pages, everything goes wrong, and the team is in danger of being captured, besides losing the defectors. Out of nowhere, comes Jin, a beautiful Amerasian, whom Tanner nicknames Ninja. It is Jin, who gets the team out of danger, and all she wants in return is to be part of those being taken to the US. Tanner does not trust Jin, even though she proves herself over and over, taking them to safety at every dangerous turn. In a very short period, he not only begins to allow her to lead the way away from those trying to capture them, but finds himself totally attracted to her.

Jin makes a wonderful heroine, tough, smart, savvy and dedicated to her family. It is her fierce determination to find her sister, which forces Jin to make a deal for her help, and pray they will take her with them. The romance between Tanner and Jin builds slowly, with us rooting for them, even though we knew that any chance of them staying together was slimmer than none.

When they arrive back in the states, all hell breaks loose, as there were so many twists, and betrayals. A major twist could cause mass destruction, and it is up to Tanner and Jin to find a way to stop it. Since saying anything more would be spoilers, I will just say you need to read this series, and this book, or you are missing a gem.

This was an exciting action packed story from start to finish. Dianna Love writes romance suspense so well, as I consider her one of the best at creating believability and hooking us in from the start all the way to the exciting climax. The suspense is always palpating, on the edge of your seat, and the romance is always hot, with a fabulous couple. Deceptive Treasures is another terrific addition to the Slye Temp series, which is not to be missed.

Barb
The Reading Cafe

Christy says

2.5 stars

Despite all the action, it read really slowly for me. I read this as part of an anthology, and I think it may have read better if I'd read this book as part of the series rather than the anthology. There was clearly back story that might have brought the nuances to life better. It was a unique story with interesting characters, but I just couldn't get into it. I got glimpses at characters and stories that intrigued me, but I don't know if I'll read any of the rest of the Slye Temp books.

Madison Warner Fairbanks says

Deceptive Treasures by Dianna Love

Book 5 in the Slye Temp books. Espionage and terrorists from North Korea to the U.S. and in between. Lots of characters make up the Slye crew, a group of independent black ops soldiers that have contacts and experience around the world.

Tanner Bodine is smitten with Soo Jin as she tries to save her sister and the U.S. from a terrorist threat. They fall for each other as they follow and try to stop the Orion Hunters.

Complex. Ongoing series. Nonstop action. Romantic suspense.
Definitely read the prior books first since this is continuing story line on a overall arc.

I personally didn't connect with this couple. I got his protectiveness and her caring because she had no one else before, but is that enough?

Laz the Sailor says

As usual with this series, the situations and end-of-world challenges are a bit over-the-top, but I like the characters and their teamwork. I also like that many of the women can kick your ass. The ongoing conflict between Slye and Orion provides the backbone for the series.

There is a lot of family in this story. The team is of course a family, but the main characters also have family who strongly influence their actions. The romance is slow and cautious, but then everyone has secrets to hide, so who can you trust? The HEA is true and not too sweet.

I'm rounding up my rating in favor of Asian women who easily capture the heart of a big ol' cowboy.

Pamela(AllHoney) says

The fifth book in the *Slye Temp* series by Dianna Love. Tanner "Bo" Bodine is in North Korea to extract 2 defectors when a woman shows up and interferes. Soo Jin ends up leading Tanner and his men to safety. All she wants in return is to defect herself. But trust is an issue. Jin has her own agenda and falling in love wasn't part of it but...

This is part of a series that isn't really stand alone but I read it as such. Luckily, I managed to fill in the blanks fairly well but I think anyone thinking about reading this should start with the first book in the series to get a more comprehensive understanding of it. Normally, this would cause me to lower the rating but I did enjoy it even if I did get lost at times. There is a lot of action and I wondered at first how a romance could come out of it but it did and worked for me.

Amelia says

With death-defying escapades plus frequent emotional conflicts, the fifth book in the Slye Temp series once again holds the reader spellbound during every scene. Dianna Love makes any danger extremely realistic, while the feelings conveyed by characters are portrayed with genuineness. Her romantic suspense stories

always take me right into the heart of the moment, because even when peril is at its most risky, how a character truly feels is also clearly grasped. Exceedingly dangerous undertakings are experienced in DECEPTIVE TREASURES, where safety is never assured.

The latest mission for Tanner Bodine and his fellow Slye Temp team is in a very unsafe country for Americans, but thankfully all seems to be going well on the covert operation to bring two defecting North Korean physicists back to the states. Yet from the moment a third person is spied, everything starts to go wrong. Having to think quickly is something Tanner often has to do as the leader, but discovering the extra individual is a woman makes him uncertain about his next move. Choosing to trust Soo Jin might get everyone killed, yet knowing how crucial it is to get the two defectors back to his country makes him go with his gut instinct to follow her advice.

After numerous challenging incidents, Tanner manages another successful mission with the help of Soo Jin. But he is not ready to completely trust the intriguing Amerasian woman, as he can tell she is not divulging all she knows. She does have reasons for wanting to leave her country, and the biggest is her sister is being forced to work with the Orion Hunters, a merciless group whose upcoming plans could cripple much of the United States. However, Soo Jin will not reveal these facts until she is sure for whom her rescuers are working, but the actions of Tanner make her want to finally have faith in a man.

All those who are part of the Slye Temp organization are obligated to follow orders, yet boundaries are tested over and over in DECEPTIVE TREASURES. Tanner knows exactly what he should do on a number of occasions, but his feelings for Jin compel him to not always abide by the instructions given to his team. This weighs heavily on him, proving he wants what is best for those he is supposed to protect yet sometimes the wishes of the heart are stronger than anything the mind can argue. The scenes where he wrestles with himself are convincing, and there were several agonizing moments where I did not know what he would decide. As fears about her future mount for Jin, her reactions are spot-on as she tries to be brave but her vulnerability still manages to come through. All that she has suffered in the past and may still undergo is vividly detailed, and Ms. Love makes these scenes very emotion because of her extensive research into the problems women often face in some countries.

As Tanner and Jin spend further time together, their relationship becomes more intimate. How this couple responds to each other is true-to-life, and their inner feelings are expressed with passion while also backed by honest emotions. Unanticipated threatening situations just keep cropping up in their lives, and I was certainly worried about the outcome during quite a few dicey confrontations. Dianna Love makes the heart pound harder as beloved characters are thrown into one dire set of circumstances after another. The way the story ended lets me know there are additional gripping novels to come in the Slye Temp series, thus making me very happy. DECEPTIVE TREASURES engages your every thought as danger collides with desire.

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