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Emma is a member of the Cat Clan. She is an animal shifter who was brutally turned when she was only fourteen years old. Wheeler is the leader of the Cat Clan. He is another shifter who brought Emma into his realm when he scented her presence in another state. Because of her violent introduction to the world of weres, Wheeler has been dancing around Emma for years, waiting for her to adjust and realize their innate attraction. On the cusp of that relationship, Emma is taken by a group of humans that ruthlessly use shifters as big game and experimentation. Both will fight to overcome circumstances. Emma will battle to survive. Wheeler will struggle to find Emma before it's too late.

This is a novella of approximately 33,500 words. It is paranormal romance and a companion piece to the Moon Trilogy (Black Moon, Amber Moon, and Silver Moon)

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From Reader Review Harvest Moon for online ebook

Literary Ames {Against GR Censorship} says

Set after the Moon Trilogy, I enjoyed this more-so than those books. It was the slow burn that did it. The hero and heroine don't get together until 5 years after they first met, and the hero is the alpha of the Cat Clan -that's some self-control!

However, when Wheeler found Emma she was a mess. Damaged by the one who had turned her and forced to kill him to escape, and then with no advice or support she was doing her best to survive on her own. She didn't trust anyone, especially not some strange Cat Alpha. It took her a very long time to even step on to the Cat compound and even longer to become part of their community.

But because of the Alpha's obvious interest in her no one could get close enough to her to become her confidante and therefore impart valuable information on mating so she didn't understand the alpha's interest in her!

I loved the retrospective scenes where we come to understand Emma's background and her relationships and position with the Cat Clan. She may be a small wereanimal as an ocelot but she's fierce and cunning.

My Favourite Scene

Security conscious Emma is an Ocelot to Wheeler's lazy, arrogant Lion.

"The economy of movement through the leaves of the tree made little noise, but it was enough that Wheeler turned his massive leonine head in her direction. The sight of a thirty-five pound ocelot flying directly at him must have been disconcerting. The comical expression on the feline face would have been rib-tickling if Emma could have taken a moment to stop and consider it.

He was amazed that Emma was doing what she had done. The with bruising force, she abruptly connected with his body, wrapping her claws around his neck, digging into his back with her rear legs in a manner that made Wheeler suddenly erupt with fury. She bit his neck as he leapt upward, bucking her like a horse with an unruly rider. Sharply, Emma spun on his back and raced backward down his spine, leaping over his violently slashing tail into the brush.

Wheeler roared. So much for his serenity. Mere seconds later he was bellowing after her, "Emma, goddammit! What the hell was that?!"

Moon Shine Art Spot ~ Lisa says

This book is related to the Moon Trilogy. I have read a few of this writer's books and find it very interesting that he goes into just enough detail about the cat clans and such live among us humans to make it seem real and possible. I love that aspect of the stories. The characters were described in a way that made me feel like I knew what I needed to know about their personalities. I found the glimpses into the past helpful in understand everyone's current state of mind. Emma had the ability, gift, whatever forced on to her while

traveling by being kidnapped and rapped by a "cat were". She was not raised in the life style and was therefore not familiar with mating habits among other things when Wheeler invited her to join his clan after finding her surviving alone. He assured her safety among people who were like her and she joined them.

After proving herself in the clan and becoming 2 nd in command, Emma had earned her own respect and made extra effort to make certain no woman was taken advantage of as she was, and made every effort to help anyone who had been abused. Wheeler allowed Emma to adjust to their well connected clan for years while thinking she understood his feelings for her.

The story was full of action and suspense as Emma's headstrong was nearly costed her her life with men who hunted shifters for sport, but her wits and determination helped her to do what she needed. Wheeler's reactions and fast actions as assisting made it a wonderful action, supernatural, shifter story that was awesome. I appreciated that a male doesn't just decide who he wants his mate to be. I like it when the woman has say so & right to choose or refuse, even if it is destiny, so to speak.

Overall, it was a very exciting and eventful read that did not bore or lag. It was plenty of action, conflict & butt kicking because of love and loyalty that was built over time. I appreciate stories that have strong women as well as strong men.

Tiffany says

This novella is part of the moon series, although Black Moon, Amber Moon and Silver Moon should be read in order and together, this novella could be a stand alone piece. I really enjoyed it. The author does an excellent job of world building in a small amount of writing.

Emma was turned into a "were" against her will, at a young age and violently. She was on her own for years before Wheeler found her. He knew she was his mate, but she was hurt and cautious due to the nature of her early years as a "were". He was patient and waiting for here, but then she was taken by a group who wanted to hunt "weres" for sport. Emma must use all of her skills to stay alive while Wheeler goes out of his mind to save his to-be mate.

Porche says

I adored the fiery little heroine in this book. She was soooo strong and her terrifying history made a true champion out of her. I would love to see this one in a series, I feel the story was a bit unfinished. One can only assume what happens with Martinez' family and his little newly, forcibly turned Were. I'd like closure. Other than that, this was a daring adventure and I am warmed by the Lion's strength of character, patience and concern.

Kane says

I have read the previous book but don't recall them vividly. I wonder if this book would have been better if I refreshed my memory...but while reading I didn't find myself confused. The book was building up to be interesting and was an easy read. I felt it had the makings of a great book (according to me) but something was missing. It didn't quite capture. But a decent easy read if you have nothing else to read.

Darlene says

Not my kind of book. Were-beings. I love cats of all kinds. Ocelots and lions, oh my! I've written this much and still can't seem to say why this isn't my kind of book. I don't like shooting and killing for power. I don't like romance books. That was my take away feeling from this book.

What, besides cats, did I like? Those proverbs at the beginning of each chapter. Oh, and I laughed out loud at the were-dove! grrrowl-tweet!

You know, honestly, the writing wasn't bad. No huge errors. The main characters were ok. Maybe I wanted more depth. Maybe I should go read at least the beginning of the series and see if I can like it?

Ok, I convinced myself. Must read Black Moon by C. L. Bevill.

Kelly says

Loosely connected to the Moon Trilogy series by some of the characters introduced in Black Moon. I have to say that this was my favorite story of the group. The characters felt well-rounded, the action moved along and the glimpses of the past kept me interested. I loved Wheeler for his decision to let Emma grow into herself. I thought it was very well done and it gave him a chance to learn who she was while still making me feel like they were two characters who were destined to be together. Emma's lack of understanding as far as the mating habits of the Clan made sense as did her standoffish attitude with the other shifters.

Overall, it was a fun, fast read that kept me interested and entertained from beginning to end. The world is nicely realized and the characters are intriguing enough for me to want more.

-Kelly @ Reading the Paranormal

Delia says

I picked this up on Amazon a few weeks ago. Harvest Moon is set in the same "world" as the moon trilogy. I'm not sure if it is because after three previous books I am already invested in this series or if it is the characters themselves but this was my favorite "moon" book so far.

Since I mentioned the characters I'd like to point out how well they were done even though this was just a novella. The Heroine is strong and determined, able to take care of herself and not wait for the cavalry to

arrive. Now that's not to say the male characters didn't have to do some work, but you never felt like there was a damsel in distress.

If you love to read books about shifters this one is not to be missed!

Merissa (Archaeoliberalian) says

This is a novella of approximately 33,500 words. It is paranormal romance and a companion piece to the Moon Trilogy (Black Moon, Amber Moon, and Silver Moon)

This is the book that details the story of Wheeler, the leader of the Cat Clan, and his Second, Emma.

You get more history and background on Emma than you do Wheeler but there is also a current storyline too so there is plenty of meat here for you to enjoy.

Once again, different species are Were's, not just wolves. I've read a few of this genre because I enjoy it but I have to say this is the first time I've read about a Were-Dove.

Perfect companion.

Brigitte says

Gave it a 3 because I like there to be a HEA. It is a free book. After she is kidnapped Emma's chapters are her waking in a cage, trying to escape a forced breeding program and to not be hunted. Kidnappers are humans who conduct experiments, breed and sell hunting experiences. Wheeler is a lion shifter and alpha. Emma is an ocelot shifter and Wheeler's 2nd. Wheeler has known, Emma is his mate from the first time he caught her scent. That was 5 years ago. His chapters alternate with hers. Wheeler's chapters are progress on getting her back. Mostly his memories of them starting from the first scent. Emma was a forced change as she was attacked at 14. On vacation she was attacked by an ocelot in the jungle, kidnapped by the shifter to be his mate and escapes 8 weeks later after killing him. It is never said but strongly implied in those 8 weeks she was violated. Wheeler remembers their time together, her taking back control to become stronger and all his waiting. Emma doesn't know about mates or understand her feelings for him. No HEA because it just ends at her rescue. Book 2, Blood Moon picks up like the next day or something.

Laurie says

If paranormal books are your thing, you'll probably like this little gem. It's a quick read about Emma and Wheeler. Emma is an ocelot who was forcibly changed at the age of 14 while her family was on vacation. She ended up alone and not having a clue of what she was for years before Wheeler found her. After awhile she found her place in Wheelers Clan. Emma's story is full of interesting things like fights for dominance, confusions about mating, and abductions of were's by mysterious persons. Wheeler, the cat clan alpha and a lion is always in the background patiently waiting for her to understand everything there is know about being a were, hopefully he doesn't wait to long.

Shadowstorm Norwicca says

This was a wonderful short novella that introduce Emma a shifter changed against her will and her family pushed her to the side as if it was her fault she was changed. Wheeler is the leader of the Cat Clan and he scented Emma on his way to a meeting. He knew she was his mate and knew he had to tread lightly for his mate had been hurt and violently attack by one of his kind. As Emma realizes that she wants to give Wheeler her heart she is taken by a humans only interested in hunting her kind for sport and using the women for breeding experiments. This was a intense ride of a strong woman who wants to prove herself to be strong and a leader who loves a woman he had to stay away from. I love the story and couldn't stop reading it.

Judy says

This book is not included with the Moon Trilogy but if you read them this is definitely an extra plus.

Emma was turned unwillingly when she was fourteen by a feral were ocelot. She made it on her own for six years and then one day in New Mexico Wheeler found her. He is the Alpha of the Cat Clan in Colorado. After a year she finally trusted him enough to move to the compound.

Wheeler new that Emma was his mate from the beginning. With her past though he could not force her. Now that they were finally moving forward Emma is kidnapped.

A group of humans are kidnapping were's, especially females. They are experimenting on them and starting a breeding program. Also they are letting men pay to hunt them.

The book is written between Emma's views and Wheeler's. A good read

Free at Smashwords.

Cara says

I really thought this book was pretty, I would have liked it to go on more, but still very good. This is a great example and proof, you can never assume with anything.

Emma was forced into her new life at a young age, forced to kill her changer just to escape. Her family thinks she's a freak and doesn't even care when she runs away at 16.

On the run and barely making it own her own when Chris walks into her life. He knows she's his mate, and she has no idea. Knows nothing about car life, but is determined to survive.

She deserved a happy ending, and I'm glad Chris ket her discover it for herself, though I do think he should have said something about mating, even if not mention theirs specifically.

Jolie says

Emma was 14 when she was kidnapped, raped and turned into a were-ocelot against her will. After her family rejects her, at 15, she runs away and survives on her own. Wheeler is a were-lion who found Emma in New Mexico and brought her back to Colorado to live with the Clan he heads. Because of her intimacy issues (understandably from being raped/held captive/rejected, he doesn't tell her that she is his life mate.

Emma, who became Wheeler's second after challenging (and beating) his old second, settles into her life with the Clan. She becomes the liaison between the Clan and the solitary were's. It was during one of these meetings where she gets kidnapped by a group of mysterious men.

I won't reveal anything else after this point. But I will say, my heart broke for Emma. To endure so much at such a young age, its no wonder that she didn't trust anyone or her feelings for Wheeler.

There was no sex in this book (well it was alluded to at the end) but there was plenty of action. The love story between Emma and Wheeler was touching because of his willingness to ride out her working through her issues.

Will I read this book again? Yes.

Will I reccomend this book to family and friends? Yes.
