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What would you do if you fell in love twice and each time it was the same guy but you didn't know it?

Willow...

The first time the man of my dreams entered my life he was a sexy Brit stranded in Seattle by his friends, who promised me everything and then broke my heart.

The second time he entered my life he was a sweet and tender street musician who woke up my broken heart and made my blood boil, but he left me yet again.

Only this time he returned and was a billionaire...

Eric...

I'm no Prince Charming. In fact, I used to be the love 'em and leave 'em type, and I'm pretty sure I'm exactly the kind of guy I wouldn't want my sisters to date.

But I'm trying to be a better man, and that means finding Willow. The girl I left behind and can't forget.

A lot's changed in the seven years since I broke her heart in an unspeakable way.

My life is about making amends to the people I've wronged. She's number five on my list.

If only I could tell her I was sorry and I wasn't the same jerk I'd been. I've changed.

But not so much that I can't see she's a drop-dead gorgeous, sexy kitten I want as badly as I did the first time I saw her.

This isn't what I planned. It's complicated. I'm the guy who broke her heart seven years ago.

But make no mistake.

This time I'm making her mine...

Willow & Eric's story is a two book miniseries. The books must be read in order to understand the story:

Part 1: Gone Guy

Part 2: Return to Us (releasing March 26, 2018)

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Review Rating: 4.0 out of 5 stars

Just one step at a time...until you are back again

I received an Advance Reader Copy for GONE GUY (Sand & Fog Series, Book #5) written by Susan Ward and voluntarily reviewed this book. Willow Birch was a girl who was pure of heart and little avarice, who certainly didn't deserve the fallout wrought by her brief time with Eric Manzone. But at the same time, Eric had a mountain of issues left to work out back home in LA involving his famed family and band, which he was ill-equipped to solve, especially on his own. It was all just too much for him to handle, as much as Eric had meant well, but he was disillusioned in some actions and disgustingly well-informed in others, so he ends up making mistakes that may be deemed unforgivable. Eric saw what he could really have by spending time with Willow, without the mess of his family name muddying the waters and situation. But first, he had to get himself out of being ditched by his own band, and that meant leaving Willow as well as his secrets behind...

Looking forward to the second book in this miniseries and waiting for him to finish going through his self-imposed help program.

Melissa says

I received an ARC from Susan Ward for my HONEST review.

Heart-wrenchingly Tragic! Can't wait to see how their story ends

Having read Ethan's story and thinking what a jerk Eric is to then get his side of the story and see that he was only doing what he thought was right to protect his family is just heartbreaking. Then there's sweet Willow who loves those around her so much that she gives more than she gets, until Eric where we think maybe she has meet her prince. But knowing until the truth comes out about Eric there can be no happily ever after.

I kept reading each page waiting for the other shoe to drop and everything to go to hell. Susan did not disappoint! Having read the entire series with Allen & Chrissie, Jack & Linda and all their kids, I have loved getting to know them all and seeing how Eric is so much like his parents and the messed up/complicated ways they try to fix things and take care of those they love. They are truly human. I am dying to read the conclusion to Eric & Willow's story...March 26th can't come soon enough!

Kathy Aronoff says

4 1/2 Stars - Susan Ward's continuation of the Manzone clan with son Eric has everything her books are known for. I love watching Eric's journey from a cocky "my dad is Alan Manzone" egotistical little shit to the cliched mess of a rock super star trying desperately right so many wrongs. Unfortunately one must wait

for book 2 to see how it all turns out, good thing the wait is not long.

Jennifer Jones says

The Parker/Manzone series is one of my favorites to re-read and Gone Guy is a perfect addition. So far, this is definitely my favorite in the series. I loved reading Eric and Willow's journey...even though Eric frustrated me at times. I can't wait for the next one!

MJ says

Lord why do you have to have a cliff hanger!!!! I can't wait to see the change that is coming! I love everything about these books!!!

Emma says

I received a free copy of this book and am voluntarily leaving a review. This is my first book of the Sand & Fog series. It does seem logical to have read the others to make this book make more sense. However, after reading a bit I got on track with what was going on and who each of the characters were. At first I did not care for Eric's ways but later he grew on me. He did not always make the right choices but deep down I think he knew better. Willow is an intelligent, capable person who cares deeply and gives people the benefit of the doubt. That makes her special. Eric's road was tumultuous as he had a lot of baggage. When Willow would interact with Eric she inevitably grew as a person. This book is an emotional rollercoaster ride. It takes you on the ups and downs of Eric's existence and through Willow's self development. Can't wait for the next book to find out what happens to Willow and Eric. An excellent read. Highly recommend.

Stacey Long says

To borrow from the Bard, the course of true love never did run smooth. Such is the case for our latest Sand & Fog couple, Willow and Eric. I absolutely fell in love with these two. Willow is sweet, smart, sassy and kind, emphasis on kind. Too often, heroines are either bitchy to a fault or just plain doormats, but Willow is no push over. She sees the flaws in others, but chooses to concentrate on the good in them, instead. Eric definitely has his flaws, but there is a good heart and soul buried under that wannabe rock star/bad boy persona he has worked so hard to perfect. When the two meet, the chemistry is undeniable. As a reader, you want to see them come together and work things out, but there is so much standing in their way. Eric's got baggage, and it isn't just the carryon size. He's toting a steamer trunk full of stuff. His connection to Willow makes him want to be a better man, but can he finally rise to the occasion and be the man she has seen in him, all along?

I LOVED this book and cannot wait for the next installment in Willow and Eric's story.

I received an advance copy for my honest review.

Kristi says

Ok so it's rare that any book I read gets less than 5 stars and I really am giving this book more like 4 and 3/4 ?? Firstly I was so confused by the prequel I read months back and then started this book. I would have rather just had it all together. I fucking despise Tara! I hope she takes a long jump off a very short pier! In true Manzone form Eric is completely absorbed with himself and almost thinks he's invincible. He is rude, arrogant and a real prick until he meets precious Willow. I loved her! My only problem with her is that she is slightly weak. I want her to stand up to the douchebags that have done her wrong. Seeing the interaction between the Manzone clan is such a joy because I'm a total Alan and Chrissie fan! They are a strong family and I feel like when Eric does get his shit together he is gonna be a fantastic man just like Alan and Jack. I want to see Willow thrive and stop letting Jade walk all over her! I didn't like Jade or Ivy...the latter had redeemed herself..jade not so much! I'm about to dive into book 2 and I'm quite excited!!! I think Susan is an amazing author and I did love this book all in all.

Susan Ward says

Hello!

Well, all you readers crazy about the Parkers, demanding to know when Eric's book *Gone Guy* will release have certainly upped the excitement for me to the point I couldn't resist sharing Eric & Willow's Prequel. (Free Download>BookHip.com/LQPLNK)Now this is just a sneak peek, a taste of my hottest book couple yet to hold you over until *Gone Guy* releases February 12, 2018. HAPPY DANCE!!! And while I probably shouldn't say it, you're going to love it as much as I loved writing it.

That Eric is a naughty bad boy, but in the sweetest way. How could he not be? He's Alan's son and we all love Alan!

Willow is just the match for him.

And these two. They are hot and fun. And since I'm writing over the holiday season *Gone Guy* is filled with heart-stopping romance, heart-warming feel good moments, a little bit of over-the-top because really this time of year we don't need TOO MUCH of the real, plenty of laughs and steamy sex scenes, and, yes, because I'm still me, a large side of angst before we finish the road to HEA. And yes, *Gone Guy*, my book releasing February 12th will be a standalone with a HEA guaranteed to make you smile from ear to ear.

If you're one of my amazing readers who reads every book about the Parkers, please make sure you Preorder *Gone Guy* now! For a limited time it'll be 99cents, but I'm going to raise it to \$2.99 after New Year's and \$3.99 shortly after release. This book won't be in KU—sorry dears, I love KU, too—but there's some kind of issue with KU and until it's resolved I'm taking a pause in adding my new titles to KU.

I hope you love the sneak peek into Willow and Eric available through book funnel.

Peace, love, and happy reading,

Susan

K Reynolds says

Chrissie and Alan started my rockstar romance addiction. I can say without a doubt in my mind when starting anything by Susan Ward that I will not be disappointed and I wasn't. She can craft a story that captures the heartbreak, highs, lows, and complex emotional angst of her characters. Eric is real and breaks our heart and works to piece it together with his own. Willow is beautiful and rich in emotional depth. Her turmoil is our own. I never want to leave the world of the Parker/Manzone family and you won't either. I cannot wait to see what happens next. I definitely recommend this book and the whole series.

I requested and received an arc copy of this book. This is my voluntary, true, and honest opinion.

RoseyLovesBooks says

Eric Manzone is rock royalty and a recovering addict who's been in Seattle for 9 months after composing an amends list in rehab. Eric plays his guitar on the street because of Willow, the girl whose heart he broke 7 years ago. Willow Birch was working at her father's tavern Mel's when she met the hot but down on his luck Eric and started dating him. Willow thought Eric was the one but was devastated to learn the secret Eric had been hiding from her. Eric's life is a mess thanks to bad decisions but he wants to fix things. Eric loved Willow 7 years ago and now that he's seeing Willow every day, he's fallen in love with her again. Eric wants to tell Willow who he is and apologize, but it's obvious that Willow doesn't trust men after being hurt by Eric. How will Willow react when she finds out that the handsome guitarist she's been flirting with is the boy who lied to her and broke her heart 7 years ago? Note: This story ends on a cliff-hanger.

Susan Ward delivers an angsty, drama-filled and steamy story that will have you turning the pages non-stop until you reach the end. I can't wait to read Return to Us, the next book in the Sand & For series, to find out what happens to Eric and Willow.

I voluntarily read an advanced reader copy of this book

Sharon Moehlmann says

I voluntarily reviewed an ARC of this book. This is a continuing story of the Parker/Manzone families. This is about the other twin Ethan. He also follows in his dad's footsteps in being in a band, messed up in drugs, too many women, etc. While dealing with stuff he tells no one about including his family he meets Willow & does something he never thought he'd be capable of doing - falling in love. However the lies back home catch up with him to her in Seattle & she shits him out of his life. Now 7 years later he stops at nothing to try to find her again to make it right. At least one of her friends from that time when they met that didn't like him now understands what happened because they meet up in the same support group. She tries to tell him his best way to win her back. Can't wait for the rest of the story to come out to see what happens.

Michelle Quintana says

This is the start to Eric's story and how he met Willow. Quick read, it tells how they met the first time. The chemistry is strong from the beginning. Eric is in Seattle with his band trying to find a drummer to replace his twin Ethan. Not hearing anything he likes, he and the band head back to California when they stop at a bar. When sees Willow, he decides to pretend he is a British national. Willow falls for him right away but her sister and her best friend see right through his act and try to convince her to stay away. When his band leaves him behind, he realizes he doesn't have any money or any form of ID. The book ends leaving me wondering what happened to where he breaks her heart.

Kaye says

A STORY THAT YOU'LL READ AGAIN AND AGAIN!!!

A well written, easy to follow plot that will capture your attention from the beginning till the very last word. This read will keep you frozen to your seat because you won't be able to put it down. Some steamy scenes, with such enticing detail that you'll feel your witnessing it first hand. Susan did a remarkable job bringing this tale to life.

Ana Oh says

Sand and Fog

I am a hard-core Susan Ward fan. Unfortunately, this book doesn't capture my emotional interest as well as some of her past books. If the book was longer, I could have become more emotionally invested. The meticulous detail to setting wasn't really there, either. I am still really looking forward to the next book in the series. Maybe it will tie some things together.
