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She was done with her shameful past...

But Sarah Withers's past isn't done with her. Though she longs for Roy LaCroix—body, heart, and soul—old wounds and fresh battles threaten to end her second chance at an honest life before it begins.

His future is only a heartbeat away...

But how can Roy LaCroix stay true to the woman he's waited so long for when he and Sarah are embroiled in a twenty-year-old feud that threatens to keep the star-crossed lovers apart? Roy must choose: be a man of substance, or to stay true to his heart.

Only love can stop history from repeating itself before it's too late...

STEAM LEVEL: Hot

Sarah Sunshine Details

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From Reader Review Sarah Sunshine for online ebook

Jackie Rogers says

Sarah Sunshine is another of those quick reads. Is always nice to have a short romance after reading some heavier books. This is about Sarah who is forced into being a lady of the evening by her circumstances. She has been under contract for her services and that contract is ending. Her greatest desire is to be respected as a lady and to be loved. In her profession she had one customer that adores her and she is drawn to him. Sarah is a special young women who is kind and helpful to all. Was a fun read. Thanks to Goodreads and Ms. Farmer

Margaret Breashears says

Loved the wonderful characters and the small town gossip.

Melissa says

This storyline was done by the same author in another book and that book was a better execution than this one. I didn't like either the MC in this book, both together or as individuals. A storyline that was drawn out with repetitive insecurities by the heroine and diarrhea of the mouth by the hero. A lot of TSTL moments and dialogue that wasted my reading time.

Ian says

Despite finding herself in difficult circumstances, Sarah is indefatigably optimistic. For the past five years she has worked as a prostitute at a small town saloon. Now free she is determined to live her life as a respectable woman, but with the town's very own moral compass condemning her, it's easier said than done.

Roy has been a client of Sarah's for years. Now she is a free woman he's determined to make her his wife. But at every turn he seems to make things more difficult for her. Still with a little help from some of the town's busy-bodies he might just win the girl he has come to love.

Sarah Sunshine is a very cute, somewhat innocent novella. It's definitely more *Bonanza* than *Unforgiven*. With a book this short there isn't much capacity for character or story development but it was pretty good fun and an easy way to kill an afternoon.

Many thanks to the author for providing me with a copy of this book for review

InD'tale Magazine says

4.5/5.0

Originality is refreshing and abounds in “Sarah Sunshine”, making it an absolute joy to read.

Read full review in the November 2013 issue of InD'tale Magazine.

Lori says

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Sarah Sunshine, part of the Montana Romance series by Merry Farmer, is a delightful and endearing historical romance. Farmer's attention to historical details pulls the reader into this western romance set in Montana, 1896.

Finally free from her saloon contract, Sarah Withers desires to change her reputation, so she can become a respected member of the community. Always cheerful, Sarah helps anyone in town that needs it: midwife, store clerk, and the mailman. Her pleasant disposition earns her the nickname Sarah Sunshine. Sarah's sheer determination to change makes her a compelling character, but Roy LaCroix, one of her customer's at the saloon, is complicating her transformation. Sarah has strong feelings for Roy but is afraid her tainted reputation will hurt his position as manager of the new hotel in town. In love with Sarah, Roy patiently waits for her to figure out how to change her circumstances, even though he doesn't think she needs to do anything, which makes Roy a wonderful leading man. Sarah thinks living at the local boarding house will help rebuild her reputation. She doesn't realize that just being herself—kind and helpful—will do more to change how others view her. When Sarah's past becomes the center of attention during the hotel opening, the beautiful way Roy publicly defends Sarah brought a huge smile to my face and leads to the most wonderful romantic conclusion. The way Sarah and Roy realize that they are stronger together than apart make them an adorable couple.

With an independent and stubborn heroine and a dashing hero, Sarah Sunshine, is a charming historical romance that will sweep you away.

I received an eBook copy of the book from the author for the purpose of an honest review. I was not compensated for this review, and all conclusions are my own responsibility.

Romancing the Book says

Reviewed by Molly

Book provided by the author

Originally posted at [Romancing the Book](#)

I am a lover of historical romances. Ones filled with twists, passion, loads of lovable characters, and words that steal your heart. When I read the blurb for Sarah Sunshine I was pulled in and ready to see what Ms.

Farmer had to offer her readers. Sadly, I was quite disappointed. I wasn't sucked into the story like I wanted to be. I had to keep setting the book down and come back to it to finish it. It just didn't hold my attention. Normally a book of just 100 or so pages takes me just one day to finish. This novella took me 2 weeks.

Sarah and Roy's characters were a bit too immature, in my opinion. I felt like I was reading a story about teenagers rather than adults who find passion amongst themselves. This story of finding true love and happiness left me with a frown on my face instead of a smile. I didn't feel the connection between Roy and Sarah.

While Ms. Farmer's efforts are well intended with this story of redemption and new life, she just didn't create a story that I could read again. But, that doesn't stop me from recommending it to others. Just because a book doesn't pull me into the heart of the story and keep me hooked, doesn't mean that others won't like it. Despite not enjoying this read for lack of maturity amongst the characters, I will try more of Ms. Farmer's work as I do believe she has a talent lying beneath.

David Watson says

All of the books in Merry Farmer's Montana Romance series have a theme of starting over and finding love and Sarah Sunshine also fits that theme. Taking place in Cold Springs Montana, Sarah is a worker in a saloon with a rough past. She wants to be considered respectable but things don't work out until she meets a man named Roy. Roy has a shady past also and the question is can both of them get over their past and find a new beginning?

This book is everything you would expect in a romance. Two characters who have their issues and lives seem incomplete but then they find each other and their lives get better. If your into romances you will love this book. I thought some of the other books in this series were better but this one delivers what you would expect and if you love a good love story what more can you ask for. Sarah Sunshine is like a fairy tale, I love the way the setting is described and the characters are all likeable. This was an entertaining read.

Marianne says

I received this book as a Goodreads Giveaway, and I wish I hadn't bothered to enter it. I wasn't able to connect with the characters, and I just didn't feel that it was a strong novel overall.

Lover of Romance says

Sarah Withers has spent five years as a saloon girl, and now she is at the end of her contract and is ready to start a new chapter in her life, and have a chance to show the people of the town who she really is. All she wants to be is a respectable woman and be worthy of Roy LaCroix. Roy has been one of those men that is gentle and caring, and has a bright future ahead of him. He has shared her bed for years, but with her plans to be respectable she hopes for something more in their relationship. Roy is young, but has hopes for the future, and they all include with Sarah in his life. He has always seen her as a caring and passionate woman, and aches to have her as his wife. But with her goal to be respectable, it may not be easy to show her of his devotion and commitment. Will Sarah's past keep them from being together...or will they be able to fight for

their love?

When I was asked to read and review this story, I was very curious. I had never heard of this author before now, and since I love historical western romances, so I was excited to get my hands into this story. I really enjoyed this story, the voice of the story was a bit different than I was used to, but I LIKED that. There was something so unique about the way this story shares her storytelling ability that really sucked me into the story. This was a novella, but as I was reading I didn't feel that it was too short or rushed in any way. It was evenly paced, had solid plot changes, and was intensely romantic. One of my favorite aspects of the story is that the characters had flaws. They weren't picture perfect, they had faults and struggles just like any normal person, and the characters just came alive in the story for me. I really adored the heroine, I don't get to say that too often, but I will for this story. She is the center of the story. She is a bit focused on being respectable that she almost pushes away those that really care about her. But I loved seeing her journey from beginning to the end of the story. The hero was charming and sweet, the focus really isn't on him, but he had that gallant quality to him that had me head over heels. Overall a winner of a romance that you don't want to miss out on!! Delightful from beginning to end! A WONDERFUL READ!!

Arthea says

Not Good.

The first and second books were really good. Great story lines, very likable characters. The characters were still there, just not a good book.

Sieravonne says

Finally! After 4 agonizing days, I'm done with this novella. It just shows I wasn't entertained because I always finish a novella within a day and usually 3 days for a novel (if it's really good), but this book took me more than my average days on a novel. Thus, it is safe to say that I find this story boring.

Though this is a good story about true and unconditional love, like "Fool for Love" (book 2 of the series), I still rated it with 1-star. Not only for the reason that I didn't get hooked, but the heroine, Sarah Withers, is a weakling who doesn't look at herself highly, just like Amelia Elphick de Laurent (the female protagonist in book 2). They both rely on men to fill up their insecurities. And I'm not fond of women who have low self-esteem.

Lastly, I thought after becoming a pay for coition worker, she's going give herself after getting married. So how come she had an intercourse with Roy LaCroix? And in the house of another person! I'm also not fond of people who doesn't have convictions.

Anita Foster says

Having read & loved 'Our Little Secrets' previously which was also set in the town of Cold Springs' (some of the characters also show up in this book quite briefly) I loved this story too. Roy & Sarah were made for

each other from the start & watching their romance blossom was very sweet & innocent . I think every woman should have a 'Roy' in her life !

The story was very well written & I immersed myself in it & could actually picture life in Cold Springs as a place I myself would have loved to have lived in. Highly recommend this book , 5 stars :)

Janna Shay says

Captivating romance that warms the heart

Sarah Withers is finally free from her contract after working at the town's saloon for the past five years. Determined to become a respectable woman to win the heart of the love of her life, Roy LaCroix, she turns to the town's Bible-quoting spinster to help her achieve her goal. However, when a twenty-year-old feud between the spinster and the saloon owner comes to light, Sarah unwittingly becomes an instrument for revenge. Sarah's respectability and hopeful future with Roy is put in jeopardy when her mentor weaves her cruel plan.

This entertaining historical romance, which takes place in Montana in the late 1800's, is a unique and heart-warming view of the trials of true love when bound by the stringent standards of society. Merry Farmer demonstrates her talent for writing by crafting a creative storyline filled with love, compassion, tolerance, and humor. She combines the narrow-minded prejudice and austere mores of the time with the innate goodness of man and transforms them into a delightful love story that has the reader rooting for the happily ever after.

The characters are appealing and come to life on the pages. With no lulls or overly descriptive areas, the plot flows smoothly as the reader follows the protagonists' journey to lasting happiness. This lighthearted novella is delivered with style and finesse, leaving no ends unfinished. Sarah Sunshine is a captivating romance that not only warms the heart and lifts the spirits, but also leaves one with a smile long after the last page is read.
