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"Cat Johnson continues to be one of my favorite authors. Whether it is in military, contemporary or the cowboy arena she definitely knows her alpha males." --Joyfully Reviewed

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## **Three Weeks With a Bull Rider Details**

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## **From Reader Review Three Weeks With a Bull Rider for online ebook**

### **Vanessa theJeepDiva says**

I really have to work more Cat Johnson books onto my to-read pile. With Three Weeks with a Bull Rider she managed to take two characters I cared very little about from the two previous Oklahoma Nights books and give them a romance that I wanted to work out for them.

Let's be honest here I strongly disliked the childish Tara from Two Times as Hot. It didn't take me too long to really start enjoying her character this go round though. She's young and trying to do things on her own, in her own way of independence. Some of her decisions show her age. She is still discovering who she is, she is also getting over what she sees as a huge heartbreak. Diving into her studies while getting far away from the source of her perceived heartache is really a win win. The problem is her lack of transportation.

I can't say I disliked Jace. I thought he made some really bad decisions in the previous two books. His decisions cost him the possibility of something with Emma. It all turns out for the best in the end though. It makes him finally see that he has to get away from his ex-girlfriend. He may not know exactly how to get her out of his life but he knows how to get away from her, his truck and a series of rodeos. He even has a travel buddy lined up. Tara needs a ride following the same circuit.

I knew I would enjoy this read even going into it with two characters I had little feelings towards. Tara and Jace turned out to be exactly what the other one needed. How they went from constant stinging barbs to fixing each other's problems then to lovers really worked for this book. Oklahoma Nights is a seriously hot series. Cat writes ridiculously hot cowboys. I never doubted her ability to give her fans a great romantic read.

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### **Jeananna says**

I read it too fast!!!! I wasn't ready for the story to be over!!  
Full review to come

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Several things excited me about reading this story...

- With this review, I have now reviewed all 3 books available in this series for our blog... while not important to some, I think it's really great!! And I appreciate you all letting me express my opinion here on The Book Reading Gals!

- After reading book 2, I was irritated with Jace for letting his ex-girlfriend lead him around by the nose. So how in the world was Cat going to make me like him after the way he jerked Emma around in that story? But if anyone can change my mind I knew that Cat would.

- And Tara... in book 2 she stuck to her infatuated, one-sided 'love' for Logan like a tick!! How was Cat going to redeem Tara for me and make me cheer for her?? Once again, if anyone can make it happen I knew that it would be Cat.

This story had the perfect flow. We got to follow along as Jace and Tara moved from long-term antagonists into a rocky truce that benefits them both then easing into a lust-hate relationship (poor Jace never stood a chance when Tara set her mind to have him) and finally deciding that 'yes' they want to give this dating thing a try!

It was great to watch the protective instincts kick in for both of them – between her worry and nagging and physical therapy help when he gets hurt and his buffer from a brother who still sees her as a kid. I also appreciated the realism Cat provided in regards to Tara and her infatuation/love for Logan. She didn't just drop those feelings and move on. She mourned that lost opportunity even though we know it was all one-sided on her part. And to see Jace truly concerned for his ex, Jacqueline, and to help her in the end was touching to read.

I flew through this book! I felt like I could have read about these characters for another 300 pages!!

Favorite quote: "You know, it was while Tyler was driving the truck that it hit me. I was going in the wrong direction. I didn't want to be heading away from you. I wanted to be where you were." Jace to Tara

At the end of the ARC there is an exciting sneak peek at a story for Tyler Jenkins, one of Tara's brothers, from the Oklahoma Nights series. *Midnight Ride* will be available April 2015 and be the first in a new spinoff series called *The Midnight Cowboys*. Cannot wait to see what Cat has in store for another of my favorite cowboys!

Grade A

- See more at: <http://thebookreadinggals.com/three-w...>

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## **Kay says**

I love cowboy romances whether they're contemporary or historical. I love the rodeo cowboy storyline and find it very interesting since I don't know the first thing about it. The risks they take with their bodies, their relationships and their families. That being said, I was super excited to read this book.

Jace Mills is a veteran rodeo cowboy on a somewhat of a winning streak. He's fairly successful because of his winnings and his normal job of landscaping. He has been in an on-again off-again relationship with his ex-girlfriend for eight years. She was a former rodeo queen who we find out is bipolar. To say their

relationship was tumultuous is an understatement. He wants his best friend, Tuck to go on the circuit with him but Tuck declines because of his newlywed status. So after yet another fight with his ex, Jacqueline, he decides to go alone and ends their relationship, again. He runs into Tuck's little sister, Tara after her recently purchased POS car dies.

Tara is in the last semester of college for sports medicine but has to do an internship with the rodeo. She's nursing a broken heart after her long time crush gets married to someone else. She sees her car breaking down as yet another setback in her life. When Jace offers to travel with her to save on expenses, she reluctantly accepts. They've always had a hate/hate relationship but you gotta do what you gotta do.

As times goes on she gets to see Jace in a different light and gets the medical experience she needs. She then comes up with the idea that she and Jace can have a traveling partners with benefits relationship. After it's over, they can go their seperate ways. She can get the sexual experience she feels she needs so she doesn't lose another man and he gets strings free sex. Jace is at first horrified. There are lines that just aren't crossed and your best friend's sisters are definately that line. His body's reaction to Tara makes the decision for him ultimately. Seducing and being seduced by your best friend's virginal sister takes it's toll on his conscience. Can these two very unlikely people find happiness for three weeks while trying to move on from their heartbreaks?

Cat Johnson does a great job of writing these two characters. You feel Jace's pain over the failure of his relationship with Jacqueline, the first woman he ever loved. His sense of guilt over the decision to become Tara's lover is felt through the pages. Jace is a good guy. Tara tries to prove she's grown up despite the loss of her childhood crush. This story takes two people, broken in their own way, who find in each other what they need to heal. The author did an excellent job with the balancing of story, humor, sex and love.

My favorite line from the book:

Jace's sex life had been in such a slump, he wouldn't be able to identify a pussy in a line up.

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**Tina "IRead2Escape" says**

**Hotness Rating 4 out of 5**

Three Weeks with a Bull Rider is the 3rd book of the Oklahoma Nights series by Cat Johnson. This series has captured me from the very first book. To be honest, I had my reservations about reading Tara's story. In the past books she struck me as a spoiled brat. I'm glad I gave this book a chance.

Tara Jenkins has always had a huge crush on her brother's best friend. Her crush is now married and has a baby on the way. Running from a broken heart she has decided the best way to do that is to travel with the bull riding circuit using her Sport Medicine education. Of course in the typical Tara fashion she made rash decisions and refused to ask for help so she has herself in another jam. Her truck is broke down and she has no way of traveling with the circuit.

Jace Mills is tired of feeling like the screw off. It seems that no one gives him credit for all the growing up that he's done. When he finds that Tara is in a pinch and had hopes of traveling the same circuit that he plans to he offers to let him come along. It's not the ideal situation considering he and Tara are like oil and water.

Tara is not my all-time favorite character that's safe to say. However, the growth she showed as a character made me like her so much more. She went from a self-absorbed, entitled spoiled baby sister to a hard working, responsible woman. I've always liked Jace and felt that he got a bad rap. I'm glad that he got his redemption in this book.

Bottom Line: This book is as hot as fire and so much more. I loved that these characters got redemption and a chance to shine!

This book was provided to me by NetGalley in exchange for my honest review.

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## **Jennifer says**

In the third book in her Oklahoma nights series...Cat Johnson delivers a book with a story that really surprised me. I didn't know how the story was going to end so I was truly surprised to find out how much I really enjoyed it (and how much I came to like Tara).

Three Weeks With A Bull Rider focus on Jace Mills and Tara Jenkins. Two people that have been "friends" for the sake of Tara's brother Tucker, who is also best friends with Jace. They have always traded insults with each other so imagine my surprise when their "friendship" progresses to lovers!

Jace is your typical rodeo cowboy. Always looking for the next big event and the fun that goes along with it. While he might appear to be a ladies man he has really been with a few woman as his ex-girlfriend has kept him on a short leash. He is at an event when he finds out that Tara needs a ride home. When Tara finds out that her car is totally useless he offers to drive her to the next few events as he will be there anyway. While Jace only offered a ride to the events, he ends up getting more than he ever imaged. Tara has an internship lined up in order to graduate with a degree in sports medicine. She put all her money into a car so that she can go to all the rodeo events. When her new car turns out to be a lemon at her first rodeo event, she hopes that her brother can give her a ride home. She comes to realize that Tucker isn't at the rodeo only Jace is. With a great deal of reluctance she accepts his offer of a ride, not realizing that this will change her future.

I have always been a fan of Jace so I was very excited that he was finally getting his own story. Now when I saw that his love would become Tara...I just didn't see how the story was going to work out. Why? Well I never really liked Tara, as I always felt she was in need of a major attitude fix. Tara took a little warming up to...but by the end of the story I really did like her. I think it's a tribute to the author's skill in writing a character that while not always likeable can grow and mature into a really dynamic character. Tara really blossomed in the story, she is a very intelligent woman with a passion for her career. Jace is such sweet heart. I always loved his character in the previous two books. It was great to find out more about him in Three Weeks With A Bull Rider. As the story went on I really felt sorry for Jace when I learned how much of a hold his ex-had on him. I truly wanted him to kick her to the curb as she has been such dead weight around his neck. But to me what this shows is that deep down he is a really good guy. He knows that she has problems and is always willing to help her out. Jace is loyal and a really sweet guy. He is charming and very funny.

Together Jace and Tara have some pretty sweet chemistry. It's easy to see why they decide to hit the sheets for the next few weeks. But they both come to realize that there are some strong feelings involved. In order for them to be together they both have to remove the demons from their past. It takes some tough love on Jace's part and guts from Tara but in the end they succeed.

Three Weeks With A Bull Rider is a great addition to the Oklahoma Nights series. It is well written with characters that really make you root for. All of the characters from previous editions make appearances to make it a truly great story. I am eagerly awaiting the next book in the series!

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## **Elizabeth says**

Jace is having big problems with his ex-girlfriend and decides to get out of town for a while and follow on the rodeo circuit. Tara is excited for her internship with the rodeo but when the car she just purchased breaks down, she wonders how she'll be able to complete it.

Jace offers Tara a ride since they'll be traveling the same circuit. Tara is beyond thrilled and despite her and Jace's hate/hate relationship, she is thankful she can start her internship. However, the idea doesn't sound so good when Jace goes all big brother on her and continuously blocks any attempts for Tara to hook up with some of the bull riders.

Tara is furious and wishes everyone would stop treating her like a child. She's a woman now and is trying to prove that to everyone, including Logan, the man who shattered her heart by choosing and marrying someone else.

Even though Jace is traveling, his ex Jacqueline is still calling and texting him. The relationship ended a year ago when Jacqueline threw Jace out after seven years together. Jace is trying to make a clean break but Jacqueline won't let him go. Her jealousy, constant mood swings and physical abuse has finally taken its toll on Jace.

Jace and Tara are both suffering heartbreak but will running away from their problems give them the strength to move on or will their hearts be at risk once more as they end up falling for each other?

I love this series and after reading the first two books, I couldn't wait to get my hands on this one. I loved the premise of the book and really enjoyed watching Jace and Tara as their dislike for one another develops into something beautiful. Words of love were never spoken between the two, but the feelings are implied.

I loved everything about this book; the story line, the secondary characters, the scorching intimacy during the sex scenes. I also really enjoyed the detailed bull riding scenes; they were visibly expressive and thrilling to read.

What makes this a great series, other than sexy cowboys, is that the relationships are always built on more than attraction. There is friendship, camaraderie, trust, faith and people who are committed to sticking with you through the hard times as well as the good ones. Another brilliant read from Cat Johnson.

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## Cat says

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### Kimberly Rocha~ Book Obsessed Chicks says

Jace and Tara have annoyed one another for quite some time. Jace thinks his best friend's little sister is beyond annoying with her foul mouth and flippant attitude and Tara thinks Jace is overbearing and obnoxious and then they end up being traveling companions on the Central States Rodeo Circuit and the gloves are off... or are they on?

When the car that Tara purchases to help her complete her sports medicine internship decides to die, Tara is left at the mercy of Jace Mills who needs to get out of "Dodge" real quick. Even though Jace broke up with his ex, Jacqueline a year ago, they still have a love/hate relationship going on in the form of extreme booty calls and knock down fights that Jace now feels he needs to avoid like the plague. So Jace thinks it a good idea to get back on some bulls, stay far away from his stalker and help Tara with finish her internship. All the while, this high strung female and sexy alpha male agree that their mutual dislike of one another will be the perfect reason to travel in each other's company. In addition to his wanting to run away from his ex, Tara needs to distance herself from the man she has been in love with her former neighbor, Logan Hunt, who up and married Emma, leaving Tara heartbroken. So two broken emotionally impaired people, who say they dislike one another decide to travel around the central states a in truck, stay in the same hotel room and remain platonic? Who are they joking? Especially wen author Cat Johnson is involved.

Tara is clearly out of her league with the attention she is garnering from all the rookie bull riders, but once she is determined she wants something, not much can stop this force to be reckoned with from seeking out some of the sexual experience she is over eager to get. When Jace catches her in a broom closet at a bar playing an "adult" version of Seven Minutes in Heaven with a newbie bull rider, his alpha male is in full gear and he decides to show Tara the difference between a boy and a man. From the first kiss the pair's passion sizzles and threatens to ignite. Jace can't get the thought out of his head that this is his best friend's little sister and he would in no way want to betray the trust that Tuck has bestowed on Jace when he placed his baby sister in Jace's hands. Tara has other ideas though and they involve getting as much sexual experience as she can possibly get from Jace and still retain the status quo of indifference... Haha, whatever Tara.

Jace has no idea the monster he has unleashed by just awakening the passions in Tara with his kisses and the resolve she has to get what she wants makes Jace no match for her feminine wiles.

The one word that comes to my mind immediately when I think of Three Weeks with a Bull Rider by Cat Johnson is HOT, and Cat knows very well how to write HOT along with a fabulous and memorable story.

Those readers invested in The Oklahoma Nights series think they know the characters well, until they read this book. Let's face it, Tara is a brat in Two Times As Hot, and even when this story begins, I was a tad in "hate" with her. On the other hand, I always loved Jace. Yes, I like the underdog. Jace's personality was always one that shines through for me. I was so excited to see what Cat Johnson would do with him in this book and I am exceedingly happy with the outcome. The intimate scenes are explosive, but never overboard. Tara's need to explore is enticing and romantic, even if she thinks it isn't. Three Weeks with a Bull Rider is my new favorite, maybe until Tyler's tale, we shall see. Cat Johnson ability to come up with something fresh and evocative makes Three Weeks with a Bull Rider a remarkable read. I highly recommend this exceptional ride, along with every book in the Oklahoma Nights series.

~KIMBERLY~

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## **Shauni says**

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In Book Three of Cat Johnson's Oklahoma Nights Series, we find an unlikely couple. Unlikely especially since in book two Two Times as Hot (see review [HERE](#)) they were unlikable. And yet, these two individuals had some growing up to do, had some realizations to meet and just had to get away from their regular world. In doing this they discovered that there was much more to both of them than either had imagined.

Tara Jenkins has been in love with her next door neighbor forever. It didn't matter to her that he had seventeen years on her.. He was her soul mate. Except Logan didn't see Tara as anything but the little sister he didn't have. There were no sparks and when Tara (referred to as the barnacle in my review of book two) finally accepts that Logan is not for her she is devastated. Feeling alone and more than a little hurt she decides to get on with her life. Of course that starts falling apart right away. Tara's new (used) car falls apart before she even has a chance to start her internship. With a total lack of support from her annoying git of a brother (Tucker from book 1). Tara finds herself relying on the one person she never dreamed of trusting. And finds out that her forever nemesis is actually a pretty decent guy.

Jace Mills was in a long time relationship with the girlfriend from hell for a very long time. Even now a year later he still connects with her. To the extent that he drops everything when he calls (including a booty call and a second chance date with Emma Hart, heroine of book two). Of course he doesn't feel that he has done anything wrong and resents Logan as well. But his life is a mess and Jace finally realizes that he wants more. So he offers Tara a ride and to be traveling buddies over the three week rodeo circuit and gives himself a break from his psychotic girlfriend and the "regular" world. What he didn't count on was his attraction to Tara, his guilt at said attraction and Tara's need to learn about her sexuality..

These two cracked me up at times. A lifetime of fighting calls forth plenty of passion. I don't think either of them realized that the chemistry was there for most of their lives. They had just decided to be enemies instead. An entertaining read for the most part..

There was one small issue that bothered me.. Jace didn't want to have intercourse with Tara because he felt that he would be breaking the bro code. I get that.. but these two did everything except intercourse.. and I mean everything.. People THAT is having sex! It bothers me when it is implied that it isn't. I resent someone trying to sell that "I did not have sexual relations with that woman" line. They had sex....

Ok, rant over and probably not all conducive to this review but it bothered me enough to speak over the story. Which is sad because this was a very good story.

Shauni

This review is based on the ARC of Three Weeks With A Bull Rider, provided by netgalley and is scheduled to be released on March 25, 2014

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## **Ni\_kii says**

Originally reviewed at <http://www.scorching-book-reviews.com...>

FTC : I love Cat Johnson's work, and she has been on the blog, however I requested this from NetGalley and have no real reason to embellish any review. It has cowboys though .. I may be biased about the cowboys :D

OK, I love this series but I have a confession to make .... I wasn't tripping over myself to read this book. Both Tara and Jace have hacked me off in the other two books and I had no real desire to read their HEA ... how wrong was I? This enemies to lovers book (with a side-order of the best-friends-little-sister trope) actually showed me a different side to both of the characters and I ended up loving the outcome of their story. Once again, I should learn to trust this author...

So Tara was an annoying little pain in the ass in the last book. All swoony over Logan (aka the hero from book two), she got a little annoyed when he found love and, at the start of TWWABR (Yes, I am abbreviating the title) she realises that the only way to get over her heart-break is to get some space. I respected this decision as it was the only mature thing I'd seen her do in the series. The fact that she was joining it with the final part of her sports medicine internship cemented my interest in her as a character. Then she gets in the car with Jace and things got reeeaaal interesting. I've always loved enemies to lovers books and the thing that came across quite clearly is that, under the tumultuous relationship between Tara and Jace, is an undercurrent of sexual tension. This current seemed to make the friction between them worse as neither of them wanted it. Tara wanted to be true to her first love Logan and Jace didn't want to be attracted to his friends little sister.... oh, and he had other baggage, but we'll get to that later.

It's hard to deny that kind of attraction when in a confined space though and, after weeks in a car and a hotel room together, Tara decides that it may be time to get rid of some of that tension. Of course he refuses. Of course this means that she then decides to get rid of it elsewhere. Of course this means that he goes all caveman and shows her what a real man can do in the bedroom ... I loved him. Of course, he creates a monster when he shows her how well he can do what a real man does but that was all the better for me :D On a side note, I like that this book showed the life of a travelling bull-rider rather than a cowboy. I love this side to the genre.

Let me take a quick diversion and talk about Jace. Jace, in the previous two books, was a bit of a man-ho with some serious women trouble. His relationship with his ex was far from over and I was quite surprised that his HEA wasn't going to be with her. Well, I was surprised until I met her. The woman made Glenn Close in fatal attraction look like a model girlfriend. She was emotionally manipulative, both physically and verbally abusive and I HATED her. My opinion of him changed so rapidly during this book and I wanted his growth path to go only one way; I wanted him to grab onto his burgeoning relationship with Tara and tell the bunny-boiler to go jump. Of course, it is much easier to do say that than do that and so we had all the angst.

There was angst due to the best-friends-little sister status. There was angst with the ex-girlfriend and her manipulation of Jace. There was angst because the sexual tension between them turned out to be more than just sexual tension. Oh, there was a lot of lovely, juicy angst. This one is the hottest and angstiest of the series and I loved every page.

I'm not going to wax lyrical for any longer. I loved this book and, no, I don't think you need to read it in order (although you will know a few details from the HEA's in the other books). I recommend it for fans of cowboys, romance and smokin' hot sex!

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## **Kame says**

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3 Stars

Tara can't believe her luck. She emptied her savings to buy a car so she could do an internship and finish her sports medicine degree and now she needs a new engine. How is she going to spend three weeks traveling the rodeo circuit and complete her internship? Jace can not take being in the same town as his ex-girlfriend any longer, one minute she wants him around the next she is throwing a lamp at him. To avoid her Jace suggests Tara and he be traveling partner; it should be simple – they don't really like each other anyhow. I really had high hopes for Jace. He did have some low moments in Logan and Emma's story (book 2) but I thought in his own book he would just show me what a true wonderful man he was. I am not saying he is not hunky, he is a cowboy after all – a bull rider no less. However he just was average for me. I can not understand why he put up with all that mess with his ex-girlfriend in the first place or why he was okay with some of the comments his friends made. Tara came off as a spoiled brat in book 2 and kept right up on that image for the majority of this book for me too. Her constant immature comments about Emma grated on me, and I am not sure what Jace saw in her. You can't call this a friends to lovers story as they seemed to just pitch barbs at each other. Jace seemed to kiss her that first time to shut her up and most of their interludes seemed more like lust than growing love.

The plot idea of two people being traveling partners and the background of the rodeo interested me a lot. I wish that was more explored and less time devoted to the ex-girlfriend drama and Tara dealing with Logan getting married. If they could have both come to this with cleared up pasts I think it could have interested me more, but honestly in the way it was written I had to fight to finish; which made me sad because I do love cowboys.

I received this book from the publisher via NetGalley for my honest review.

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## **Jackie Kiwibooknerd says**

**\*ARC Courtesy of Netgalley\***

I have been a fan of this series since the first books came out last year. In fact I wanted to hop a plane to Oklahoma and come and see all these sexy cowboys for myself, because they way Cat Johnson describes them....wow!!!

So this is the story of Jace and Tara. Jace is Tuck's best friend and Tara is Tuck's baby sister. Jace has been in a difficult relationship for the past couple of years with a girl who is rather unstable. Tara has been in love

with Logan (Tuck's other friend) for most of her life. Logan has just gotten married and Tara finds herself at a loss, as her heart is broken.

Jace decides that the best way to get away from his crazy ex is to follow the rodeo circuit for the next 3 weeks as a bull rider, and Tara who is doing her internship in sports medicine, jumps at the chance to ride along with Jace to escape Logan and his new wife....

The only problem is these 2 cant stand each other, they fight at every given opportunity!!! 3 weeks alone traveling and staying with each other in the same hotel room each night is going to be a lesson in patience for the both of them...But you know what they say....there is a fine line between love and hate, and thee 2 are starting to straddle that line...

This was a great read and I highly recommend it. It can be read as a stand alone, but I would go and start with book 1... You wont be sorry...

And if you just happen to see a Kiwi chick waling around in Oklahoma one of these fine days, you know why!!!!

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### **Margie says**

From Joseph's fried bologna sandwiches, to following the rodeo circuit, to a crazy ex-girlfriend, to sweet, hot lovin' Cat Johnson's third entry in her Oklahoma Nights series, *Three Weeks With a Bull Rider* has it all.

I can't say that I "fell in love at first sight" with the two main characters, Jace Mills and Tara Jenkins. Both were secondary characters in Cat's previous book in the series, *Two Times As Hot*. Neither came across in that book as particularly lovable characters. Jace was annoying because he was being yanked around by the ear all the time by his ex-girlfriend. Tara was annoying because she thought she was "in love" with her brother's friend Logan and followed him around in that book like a lovesick puppy. So I was a little surprised to see these two characters featured as the hero and heroine in book 3. I had a lot of confidence though in Cat Johnson's ability to dig deep enough to find the true nature of both Jace and Tara. And wow! I discovered I didn't know either of them at all. Their journey to finding their love for each other is filled with unexpected detours and getting a little lost along the way. But at the end of the winding road both find that the various bumps along the way were all well worth enduring. Cat Johnson magically turned two less than endearing characters into two people I just had to stand up and cheer for.

I'm sure you all will join my cheering section when you pick up *Three Weeks With Bull Rider* and travel along with Jace and Tara on their road to happiness.

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### **Auntee says**

Unexpectedly good (considering the heroine--sports physical therapist Tara Jenkins (22), was rather unlikable and immature in the previous book--*Two Times as Hot*, and the hero of this book-- bullrider Jace Mills (30) was just so-so and kind of weak in the previous book). But in this book, wow, Cat Johnson really

redeemed them. Tara grew up, became less annoying and rather likable, and Jace grew a backbone and was rather sexy and commanding in this book.

*Jace...*

*Tara...*

These two, who grew up together even though they were 8 years apart (Jace was her brother's best friend) had a always bickering dislike/dislike relationship for years, but we all know how there's a thin line between dislike and lust in Romancelandia, so I was just waiting for that dislike to turn to like and then to lust and then to love...and it did! In glorious fashion too.:) Three weeks on the road together (platonically sharing hotel rooms), with Jace riding the bulls (while avoiding his stalkerish ex-girlfriend) and Tara finishing up a sports medicine internship behind the scenes at the bull riding events while nursing a broken heart, was just the ticket to get these two together so they could learn more about each other. And once they decided not to fight their attraction for each other...whew!

I liked how Cat Johnson developed the backgrounds of the characters and made me invested in how their relationship turned out. I didn't have high hopes for these characters based on the previous book, but somehow CJ turned it around and made me really care for them.

So well done, Cat Johnson, for an entertaining and sexy read! 5 stars

*\*Warning: This book contains a couple of anal sex scenes, (view spoiler), and a lot of other (oral) hanky panky. Yet somehow it wasn't overly graphic, if that make sense. Anyway, not for the faint of heart, I guess.*

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## **Kathy says**

4.5 stars.

*Three Weeks with a Bull Rider*, the final novel in the *Oklahoma Nights* trilogy, is refreshingly unique, deliciously sensuous and full of surprises. In this outing, **Cat Johnson** effortlessly accomplishes what has to be one of **THE** most difficult things an author must do: transform a previously unlikable character into one that readers will not only *love* but one that they will root for 110 percent. Thankfully, in **Ms. Johnson's** talented and capable hands, Tara Jenkins becomes a heroine that is worthy of Jace Mills' heart and fans of the series will fall for her as well.

The Central States Rodeo Circuit offers both Tara and Jace the perfect opportunity to escape their real life problems for a few weeks. For Jace, he has been unable to make a clean break from his slightly crazy ex and after their latest confrontation, he is eager to put some distance between them. Tara's heart was broken when the man she loves marries another woman, so she too is looking for a distraction. Jace decides to hit the bull riding circuit and Tara signs up for the internship she needs to finish up her sports medicine degree. Although these two really cannot stand one another, after Tara's car breaks down, they reluctantly become traveling partners. Much to their surprise, their animosity gives way to friendship and an unanticipated

attraction.

In the beginning, Tara is still the immature, selfish and bratty character readers met in *Two Times As Hot* but this makes her transformation much more realistic. Once she and Jace are on the road, she is unexpectedly compassionate and understanding when confronted with Jace's unhappiness over the situation with his ex. She also sees a different side to Jace during his interactions with the younger riders. Their relationship soon becomes a little more relaxed and while they still bicker back and forth, it is not quite as heated as it was at first. Tara takes the responsibilities of her internship seriously and she quickly begins to mature as she carries out her duties. She is headstrong and impulsive but Jace proves to be a calming influence on more than one occasion. Tara is also tenacious and this trait turns out to be a good thing when it comes to their evolving relationship.

Older, mature and steady as a rock, Jace is a great guy who sometimes makes questionable decisions regarding his ex. On the positive side, he finally walked away from the tempestuous relationship. On the negative side, he drops everything to rush back whenever his volatile ex calls. Jace is reluctant to talk to anyone about the trouble with his ex, but once he opens up to Tara, she provides some startling insight that might explain his ex's erratic behavior. Tara suggests a very sexy solution to help Jace put his ex firmly in the past, but he is extremely reluctant to put her plan into motion. But Tara quickly overcomes his resistance and their relationship takes a very passionate turn.

My one word description for *Three Weeks with a Bull Rider*? Different and as far as I am concerned, this is what makes it an outstanding reading experience. It is the third novel in the series and **Ms. Johnson** does an excellent job keeping it fresh. Unlike the other books, Jace and Tara are on the road, so outside of a few friends on the bull riding circuit, the story centers exclusively on them. Fortunately, their characters are strong enough to carry the plot and they sort through their feelings for each other without interference from family or friends.

Another big difference is Tara and Jace take the time to get to know one another *before* they jump into bed together. The sexual attraction between them is always there; it just takes them a while to recognize it. Jace is the more sexually experienced of the two, but for the most part, Tara is the one controlling this part of their relationship. But there is just so far Jace is willing to go and this leads to some incredibly inventive and positively sizzling encounters between them.

The story flows so smoothly and the changes in the characters and their relationship occur so gradually, it takes a while to realize that Tara has matured into an immensely appealing character and that she and Jace are a perfect match for each other. There is no insta-love between them. Instead their feelings for one another grow over time, making the changes in their relationship easy to believe. There are no big misunderstandings to tear them apart, and although **Cat Johnson** does throw a couple of obstacles in their path, Tara and Jace overcome them with very little drama.

*Three Weeks with a Bull Rider* is a very strong finish to the *Oklahoma Nights* trilogy and although it can stand alone, I highly recommend the entire series.

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