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From the presenter of 'How to be a Gardener' comes this entertaining novel.

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Jackie says

I liked this book, though it was predictable etc. Love the Cornish setting and Characters.
A nice, quick, don't have to think too much read.

Robin_R says

A nice, relaxing read.

Jan says

This was a delightful tale. Alan Titchmarsh is an English Gardener, who has anchored TV gardening shows for years. More recently he has done general TV presenting, and written several novels.

The story of one of the last lighthouse keepers, a man who chose the solitary life at the lighthouse because of personal tragedy. Once the job at the lighthouse finishes, he buys an old boat and restores it, with the plan of sailing solo around the whole coast of England. That is until he meets an artist who runs a gallery, who has also been hiding from her previous life.

Esther says

This is a much lighter book that I would normally choose to read but one of its attractions was the Cornish setting.

Mr Titchmarsh successfully evoked the village setting and although the female love interest was a little cliché, a beautiful, lithe ex-dancer and an artist to boot, the hero of the story was a rather attractive young man who didn't annoy me by letting his past totally ruin his future.

There was the added spice of a little smuggling but the excitement preceding the denouement was quite restrained and not out of place in a story that preferred to focus on the characters and their relationships.

It certainly wasn't life changing but the prose flowed pleasantly and the combination of gentle mystery and gentle romance held my interest until the last page.

Carolyn Thomas says

A light and breezy beach novel, very easy reading. Will decides to buy a boat with the money from an inheritance and sail around the coast of Britain, after the lighthouse he has been working in becomes automated. At the same time he is making plans to leave the village, Amy arrives in the village to open an art studio and escape her past. Of course they meet and the predictable happens.

Srivilasica says

A rather pleasant story, with quite a lot of references to boats and boatyards. That is to be expected when the hero (Will) is an out-of-work lighthouse keeper, who plans to sail the coast of England all by himself. He buys an old boat (which has an interesting story of its own) and is in the process of restoring it. He meets an artist (Amy) who herself has bought an old building and turned it into a gallery. They fall in love but Will and Amy have their not-so-happy pasts to deal with before they can be together. Add to this a few interesting characters, a cat, a wonderful village setting, a little smuggling, a few tragic incidents and you have a good, comforting read. I liked it enough to search for other books written by Alan Titchmarsh.

Karen wadey says

Nice little book, with nice people and a nice storyline. My only criticism there is not enough seafaring.

Michelle Wiles says

This was a thoroughly enjoyable romantic novel, with a bit of mystery thrown in. I would definitely recommend.

Angela Lewis says

Will, former lighthouse keeper prepares to sail around the British coastline and fulfill his lifetime ambition. He finds a boat but then life in Cornwall stalls him.

Tracey says

A nice read

Samantha says

My first Alan book. Liked it. A Nice easy read.

Rho says

Beautiful story. Found it by accident at a used book sale. Boats, English coast, smuggling and the search for contentment and happiness

Phrynne says

I am not a fan of Romances in general and there is no denying that this is one, but it has a bit more to it than just boy meets girl, falls in love, overcomes some sort of obstacle and ends up happily ever after.

Firstly it is written by a male author which always gives things a different slant. Secondly it is set in Cornwall which is one of my favourite places in the world. And then it is written in such a pleasant, easy way which makes reading it a pleasure. It does go a bit crazy at times with a rather outrageous mystery involving smuggling and a very unlikely pair of criminals but it is all entertainment and a very nice way to spend a few hours.

Sammy says

Meh. The first two-thirds were all right, but the final third was pretty rubbish. I usually adore anything to do with the seaside, but this fell pretty flat on its face by the end. Shame.

Janhmmn says

The lighthouse is being automated, so Will and the other lighthouse keepers are out of a job. Will has an ambition to sail around the coast of the UK, so he buys a boat and does her up. But other events take over his plans.

I really enjoyed this book; it's a light read, with some suspense and a few interwoven storylines to give it some depth and substance. There are some great characters and a few surprises.
