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Meet the Cruz brothers. They look human--except for the golden sheen their eyes take when they're aroused beyond control...and the way their claws come out when it's time to play rough.

They're Panthers, ancient shapeshifters, and their survival depends on mating to bring out their wild sides...

Undeniable

When Antonio, the strong, sexy new leader of the Panther pride, meets luscious Solana in a dark alleyway, their passion lights up the night. But she's an outcast, an impossible mate--and her touch makes him lose all control...

Irresistible

Ex-model and businesswoman Andrea doesn't need anyone--until she meets Miguel, who tempts her mind with daring games and teases her body with dark, forbidden pleasure she can't resist...

Indescribable

Wild twins Ricardo and Diego do everything together--and their women appreciate the teamwork. Until shy Isabel takes refuge in their pride, and both want to claim her. Of course, sometimes two mates are better than one...

On The Prowl Details

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Jamie says

This was interesting because it was three stories in one but still connected as it was all about the entire family. It was a fun read, not my favorite book ever but I would read and buy another one of her books so it's on my must read author if you like shape shifters, sex, fun, family and dysfunctional issues to overcome!!!

LolaLovesBooks says

On the hunt for a great shifter book? Let me recommend On the Prowl by Crystal Jordan! Her talented writing + imaginative plots = one heck of a sexy panther shifter tale.

I loved this book—let me tell you why. Characters, characters, characters...she made them loveable and interesting. The romance, tension and steamy hot sex scenes that we have all come to love (or maybe even crave) are abundant. The struggles were believable; the bantering was endearing. And THE TWINS—by far my favorite unforeseen dilemma. What I liked the most was that there were three stories in this book, each of which was masterfully tailored! On the Prowl was very entertaining and a book that I definitely recommend.

Sarah says

Omg. I loved loved loved this book. 4 very different people in the same family finding love. Adding the complication of being in the ruling family of a panther pride was awesome. Totally gutted when I finished it.
Love Crystal Jordan

Hbeebti says

Good but there is way to much sex. I wish there was more story instead.

Mandy says

Holy crap every second page in this book was sex but I must admit I still enjoyed the story line too. I bought this one thinking it was just a stand alone book not realising it was three different stories in one. But it was good reading about the other brothers and how they got together with their mates, and wow two mates for the one girl...that story was very umm interesting and whew HOT!.
It was a good quick read and Im glad I bought it.

Cindy says

Good read. Single author anthology of three related and chronologically sequential shifter stories. In this case, they are panther shifters - the three stories center around the Cruz family who are the 'royal family' of the North American Pride based in San Francisco. At the start of the book Antonio has just taken over as Pride leader and is fighting bring the Pride into a better place with the help of his twin younger brothers and Miguel, his Second who is from the South American Pride.

Claim Me

One of the problems all panthers have is fertility - children cannot be conceived unless the couple is mated [which seems to be matter of fate and chemistry, not just a matter of choice:], and must be conceived when both are in panther form. Antonio gets a whiff of his mate and tracks her down - only to find out she is an outcast of his own pack because she is a panther who cannot shift her form. If it was solely up to him he would bring her home but the politics of the situation might start a civil war or harm the pack in its standing with other packs. But they can't seem to stay away from each other despite all this. There's a lot of lingering lust and they have the whole 'star crossed lovers' thing going on - but fortunately it works out better for them in the end.

Take Me

Antonio's sister Andrea left the pack of her own choice to get away from mistreatment. Now she must return to offer her loyalty oath to her brother - whom she hasn't seen in 15 years - and is afraid she won't be allowed to leave. It's politics again - until Antonio has a child, Andrea is the Heir to the pride and thus could be used as a political pawn against Antonio and the pride. Then she meets Miguel, her brother's second, and recognizes him as her mate. And she thought things were impossible before...

Miguel is thrilled to find his mate and even more thrilled that she seems to enjoy the types of games he does. Then he is stunned when she refuses to play them ever again since someone had betrayed her under similar circumstances. Without trust on both sides, how can they ever be mates? Miguel has troubles of his own - he is going to be forced to leave the Cruz family who he loves and return to the South American pride. Andrea is his only hope of avoiding this. If she accepts him as her mate he can stay in SF... Some BDSM in this one.

Need Me

The bad boys of pantherdom, Ricardo and Diego, share everything from extreme sports to their work as pride lawyers, to their women. Then Ric meets his mate and he figures everything will change - until Diego walks in and also recognizes Isobel as his mate, an unheard of occurrence in the world of panthers. Their relationship is further complicated by a powerful stalker who is after Isobel. This one contains menage sex [no surprise there:].

Enjoyable read although it doesn't make it onto the keeper shelves I will be looking out for other books by her. This is currently a stand alone...

Shannon (Giraffe Days) says

The title may be less than original but the story has plenty going for it.

Panther shape-shifters, a species as old as ours, have existed alongside us in absolute secrecy. Each continent

has its own Pride, with all the members of the Pride living together. They're not immortal, but sleep rejuvenates them and allows them to lead a slightly longer, healthier life. They're very uninhibited, sexually, and promiscuous until they find their mate, the one panther meant for them. It's only with their mate, and only in panther form, that they can conceive, and so the panther population is low and well-protected.

In the first story, "Claim Me", Antonio has just inherited the North American Pride from his father, Esteban, now dead. Having spent the last fifteen years with the South American Pride, he barely knows his younger twin brothers, Ricardo and Diego, and hasn't seen his sister Andrea for a long time either. He brings back with him Miguel, to act as his Second, and a more modern outlook.

But even his tolerant, accepting approach is tested to its limit when he finds his mate, Solana, and discovers she's a non-shifter - a rare panther born with the heightened senses like eyesight and strength, but without the ability to shift. Which means: no children for them. For the leader of a Pride to take a non-shifter as mate is unthinkable, but he can't stay away from her. Solana, persecuted most of her life by other panthers because of her lack of shifting ability, wants him to stay away but can't resist the draw of mates. How can they reconcile their desire for each other with the needs of the pride?

The second story, "Take Me", brings Antonio's sister Andrea back from her clothing designer business to the Pride. Having run away at a young age, her past haunts her. Meeting her mate, Miguel, sets off a whirlwind of desire but she's determined not to let a male control her again, and sets limits on their relationship that nearly ruin them. Can Miguel help her face her demons and convince her he won't hurt her? Can she ever trust him?

"Need Me", the third story, focuses on wild playboy twins Ric and Diego, lawyers by day, tag team by night. They always take their women together, and when Isabel turns up from the European Pride, seeking asylum, and they discover they're *both* her mates, it seems a perfect match. But Isabel is reluctant to commit while a panther from the Spanish pride is making the insane demand that he's her mate, and the twins take their dare devil antics to life-threatening heights - literally.

On the Prowl is perfectly structured, introducing the characters and panther world at a steady pace, building on the culture with each story. The stories focus on relationships, and it makes a nice change that even though fate has predetermined who their mates are, it doesn't make for an instant perfect relationship: they have to work at it.

Which brings me to the characters. I need strong character development and even though Jordan is working with short stories here, she uses the space she has well in creating engaging, passion-driven characters who have some pretty darn good excuses to resist the mating thing. They aren't complicated characters, but they are endearing. I especially liked Miguel, and the twins' banter.

The novel is erotica as well as romance, and we get all the classic positions, places, a bit of light bondage and a Ménage à trois. The prose carries the graphic scenes without letting it slip into the indulgent and over-the-top Christine Feehan style, or tacky or awkward. It's easy to get swept up in the characters, um, experimentation.

While the novel never grabbed me like Kresley Cole or Beth Kery - two of my favourite romance and erotic romance writers - it held its own when the premise could have been downright silly and cheesy. Besides that, I love Big Cats (always need capitals!), so Jordan was always going to win me over there!

Jenny Delandro says

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Undeniable - Claim Me

Antonio scents his mate and finds Solana but she can not shift... Bad news is that only mated couples can have children and only when they mate as their animal.
He can not stay away from her eve

Stacie says

Very good, erotic story of twin brothers who find that their mate is Isabel Rivera. Everyone sees them as "playboys" with wild ways. However, very few see that they are very hard working lawyers for the Pride that they belong. Isabel is on the run and asking for asylum from her pride. In her pride, there is a man claiming that she is his mate and she can not convince her pride that this is not true.

Julie (jjmachshev) says

Mrrooww. "On the Prowl" is certainly a 'really hot book', just as it's described on the back cover! It's also a three-story anthology by Crystal Jordan about a family of werpanthers and what happens when they meet their mates.

"Undeniable" is the first and longest story--which makes sense since Jordan has to set up her world and its rules. Antonio is the new leader of the pride. Meeting his mate should be the best thing to happen to him, right? Well, there's just a couple of problems. She's an outcast who can't shift; and she's not about to let him sacrifice his position in the pride for their love. Silly girl.

"Irresistible" tells the tale of Miguel and Andrea. Miguel is Antonio's second and Andrea is Antonio's sister...should be a match made in panther-heaven. But Andrea still hasn't really recovered from a traumatic sexual attack; and Miguel's 'appetites' aren't exactly something she's willing to admit she needs.

"Indescribable" is the last story about the rowdy twins Ricardo and Diego and their struggle to compromise with 'their' mate Isabel. She's running from one panther who wants to own her...now she's got two!!

None of the stories are 'deep' or necessarily surprising...but they are all really, really hot. While it doesn't make the keeper shelf, it did entertain me during a long and boring flight from California to Georgia! This book contains graphic descriptions of sexual activities with one, two, and three people; including some partially shifted weres. If that will offend you, don't read the book!

Starry says

Claim Me
Antonio&Solana

I DIDNT LIKE HOW SOLANA JUST GAVE IN TO HER DESIRE. SHE'S ALL LIKE" WE CAN'T DO THIS"....AND NEXT THING YOU KNOW THEIR DOING JUST THAT AGAINST THE WALL. LIKE SERIOUSLY, IF SHE CAN'T HOLD HER CONTROL IN OR DESIRE FROM ANTONIO THAN JUST DON'T ACT LIKE SHE'S STRONG, WHEN SHE'S NOT!!! I DONT LIKE CHARACTERS THAT THINK THEIR INDEPENDENT, BUT ISNT ONE BIT THAT ALPHA GIRL/GUY THEY THINK THEY ARE...AS FOR ANTONIO, I THINK HE'S A JERK FOR NOT WANTING TO RISK IT ALL TO MATE WITH SOLANA.

Antonio finds marcos, juan, and roberto(panthers from his pride) wanting to hurt his mate.Turns out, they wanto to hurt her because she's a non-shifter, and has no pride. meaning that she can't shift, and that she use to be in antonio's father's pride until she was asked to leave.

Antonio just found out his mate can't shift, meaning that he can't have children with her, but he's pride leader....so this is a huge problem.

Diego&Ric are Antonio's brothers.

miguel-antonio's bff

Carmen- Antonio's sometime lover,panther, doesnt want to admit that she has a human male mate(cause inthe pride those that are non-shifters, and those that have human mates are cast out as the low lives).

so they keep on meeting, but never can mate.

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Charlene says

I have no problem with erotic sex scenes in books. It's hard to find one on my collection that doesn't have at least 1 in it. But that's all the book is. 3-4 pages of sex, maybe 1-2 pages of actual story line, and then they're having sex AGAIN. This could have been so much better if the author had focused on the story line a bit more and gave the characters some depth.

Deanna Drake says

I really liked this book. Three stories, all related by storyline and familial characters. I felt that they were read in the most perfect order. Story 1, sexy and sucked you in. Story 2, even hotter than the first and story 3 topped it all off. I don't want to put spoilers in here so, all I will say is that Jordan's order was perfect and, just when you think you are amped up enough, she steps it up a notch. I would have given it 5 stars except the final 2 chapters were slow to me....for some odd reason. A bit too wordy. But, overall, great read!!

Sarah says

This is one those '3 books in one' deals. I liked the first story – Claim Me. I thought it was HAWT off the bat and couldn't stop reading. I was drawn into the conflict of Solana not being a non-shifter and the reasons why she couldn't. I thought Antonio was amazing in the way he really didn't care and how he wanted to change the Pride.

I didn't like Take Me. At first I liked it, but it just seemed to drag on. The ending of the story was actually

decent, but over all I just couldn't seem to enjoy Andrea and Miguel's story at all.

I think Need Me was my favorite out of all 3. I liked the twins and their 'need to do everything together' – if you know what I mean. *wink wink* I felt for Isabel and the things that had shaped her life. This was definitely the hottest and steamiest of the stories and I loved it.

The only real problem I had with the writing was when the author would write, “and he froze” when the men were at their point of climax. Ummmm, men don't freeze unless they want to not climax – so this was a huge contradiction that annoyed the hell out of me. A lot. She used it a lot. I think had the middle story been better, I could have given it a 4 – Worth the Read, but alas it wasn't.

Ti says

Unnoted BDSM themes, including bondage and pain. Some how this author ascribes to the belief that the cure for abuse or borderline rape is to become a sub.

As usual I do not appreciate incorrect psychology or lack of notice about themes that survivors would usually find upsetting rather than titillating. I will be avoiding this author in the future.
