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"You're not going anywhere, not until you give birth to my child."

For Zafir Al Masood, the new sheikh of Behraat, abandoning fiery New Yorker Lauren Hamby was the hardest thing he had ever done. Bound by a life of honor, his sizzling whirlwind affair with Lauren was the only freedom Zafir had ever indulged in.

But when he finds out that Lauren is carrying his child and intending to keep it a secret, Zafir imprisons his feisty fling in his palace. Unlike him, his baby will not be the illegitimate heir of a sheikh. And to ensure this, Zafir will make Lauren his wife...!

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Sierra says

Enjoyed the book but did not enjoy the characters' romance, More accurately, was not convinced they actually had romantic feelings for each other. For some reason it fell flat to me.

Maybe it was because of the particular mood I was in at the time and while it was a book that I read in one sitting, I was not engaged with the romance. Even with the 'getting married for the sake of something' trope, that seemed to fall flat too as an obstacle for the couple to go through. Maybe because I was waiting for a kidnapping or something more.... heroic for the guy to show how much he loved her. There was nothing like that, just misunderstandings and a meddling father. (Well, a kidnapping did happen but it was such a minor blip since she had no idea it was going on and putting herself in such a politically charged situation was annoying as heck.)

Honestly, good book and I will be hunting down another book by the same author and will even read a few more with the Sheikh trope (this was the first one for me).

Kiki Joseph says

great read

Martha says

good story.

Katrina Berry says

The Sheikh's Pregnant Prisoner by Tara Pammi is an emotional roller coaster of a read with lots of feels. You laugh, you cry, you get angered, yada yada yada...you know the kind of awesomeness that I'm talking bout. Spot on and well done Ms. Pammi!

Carol says

I was surprised at how much I enjoyed this book. This was the first book by Tara that I've read and it likely won't be the last.

I found the story engrossing. Not a lot of needless inner monologuing that usually has me compulsively skimming the words until something interesting happens. The connection between Zafir and Lauren was off

the charts. Whenever they were near each other, boom! Sparks, baby! And oh Zafir's possessiveness! It was written so well. God, it was just hot.

Zafir was a very intense individual which made it all the more satisfying when things got heated up between him and Lauren. And believe me, the build up to them finally getting back together was SOOO worth it for the steam alone. It never felt like it was dragged out or the cause of their initial break up, not that I'd categorize it as such considering the circumstances, but I digress. It wasn't over dramatized and I really enjoyed Lauren's POV as well as Zafir's. I found both characters compelling and with a fair amount of depth that really made them pop off the page.

I enjoyed their journey to their own HEA and how it was achieved. I appreciated that the big disruption, as most books delivers before the big happily ever after was realistic and I loved that although the fault lay with both Lauren and Zafir for their relationship issues I really found it satisfying to have Lauren come out of it wiser for it. She was able to see things differently and understand that most of the problem for their issue fell at her feet because of her own insecurities. I really liked that she came to that conclusion with only a little outside help and instantly acted on it and "womaned up" so to speak to Zafir at the end.

Overall a great read in my opinion. Scorching chemistry. Adorable intimacy, which I LOVED (thank you Tara!) and character growth. Lovely epilogue! So I'll admit though I've read and continue to read all varieties of Harlequin books and I've been known to be real picky with some of the quality of stories I run across like this book but ever 1 in 10 books I read I find a gem I truly enjoyed.

Geraldine Sadiku says

A romantic read that at times takes you through varying emotions and pulls you along for the ride. Loved it.

Marsha says

Ah, who can resist the tall, strong, powerful alpha male, he who is king over all, ruler of his domain, master of a hundred servants, who with a wave of his hand can pardon a man or condemn him to death?

Well, Zafir Al Masood is just such a man, a man who is intrigued, stirred, mixed up, basted and thoroughly heated by the American Lauren Hamby. He adores her spunk and is bewitched by her tough, sassy, independent nature. None of which prevents him from taking her prisoner when he learns that she's pregnant with his child. Oh, yeah, he likes him the feisty ones!

Her prison is that most decadent of Disney dreams—a castle straight out of the Arabian nights, complete with a deep bath, silk sheets, cavernous rooms, sumptuous meals and servants to answer her every need. And just like a certain Disney belle, she's not allowed to leave. Zafir's care for her is strictly so that his child isn't born a bastard.

That's where this whole story falls down. Lauren is outraged by her captivity. But she doesn't fight too hard to escape and enjoys her prison just a little too much. You'd think she'd be trying every trick in the book to escape. But of course she's fallen for Zafir. His golden eyes, his rampant masculinity, his sensual tones, etc., etc., etc., all have her practically wetting the floor every time he's near her. Zafir also completes the picture

of his smoldering lust with the history of a domineering father, a treacherous, scheming half-brother and a mother who died in childbirth. Yeah, he's a meanie but just a quivering ball of Jell-O on the inside, isn't he?

Let's ignore the fact that she's probably experiencing Stockholm Syndrome in a big way. Zafir makes it clear at the beginning that she's just a means to an end and that everything he's doing is for the benefit of the baby. He offers her three alternatives: 1) She can have the child and then "disappear into the sands", for all he cares 2) She can have the baby and be his concubine until the flame for each other burns out, at which point she will languish, abandoned and forgotten, in the castle as his ex-mistress or 3) She can marry him, secure the child as his next heir and bring unity to the kingdom. It's not stated but it's unlikely she'll be allowed to leave once she marries but that's the price of a royal marriage. If he gets bored with her after that, he'll just send her into semi-exile in some fortress or palace elsewhere, the fate that happened to his stepmother after his brother Tariq died.

What wretched choices for the powerful, independent woman Lauren is supposed to be! But as stated she doesn't fight very hard for her freedom. She's too happy to be with her sheikh even when she sees dangerous anger flaring in his expression. He never hits her or threatens her with violence (she's carrying his brat, remember), but she finds herself occasionally afraid of him.

Well, that's all this "romance" needed, isn't it--the threat of the abusive boyfriend. Zafir doesn't want to be a monster like his tyrannical half-brother. Yet, time and again, he's confronted with stories of his father's egotistical behavior towards women and he *still* refuses to let Lauren go. Unbelievable.

So Lauren gets a happily-ever-after ending with her prince, um, sheikh while the reader ignores all the resounding blows to modern feminism. Beast gets his Beauty along with her brat and all's right with the world. Doesn't it make you just want to retch?

This fantasy is meant to appeal to all those out there who secretly dream of having a handsome son of the desert swoop down on his camel, toss them over the saddle and gallop away into the sunset. If that's your cup of tea, by all means swill this down. Otherwise, give it a wide berth.

Sab says

A little bit boring.

Tilda says

3,5/5.

Paula Legate says

I really enjoyed this book. Lauren, and Zafir met in New York. She had no idea he was a powerful Sheikh. The two had a steamy affair, and he left. He never called to end the affair, no text, nothing. Lauren knew he had gone home to Behraat, that at the time fighting had broken out in the city. She traveled to Behraat

thinking he was dead. Lauren had come to mourn the man she fell in love with. To her shock, he was very much alive, and had guards that surrounded him. Zafir was all alpha hero, but Lauren tested him every step of the way. I loved that she had a backbone, and was not afraid to say what was on her mind. I also loved how she created a bond with everyone she met. Everyone loved her. This journey had twist and turns filled with strong emotions, romance, and a enchaining plot. Everyone did what Zafir demanded. Zafir enjoyed the way Lauren sparred with him. Love was not instant, but the journey was long, and worth it in the end.

Klynn says

An okay read. At times it was a bit slow

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