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Does he hate her clan enough to visit his vengeance on her? Or will he listen to her secret and his own heart's yearning?

Hatred lives and breathes between medieval clans who often don't remember why feuds began in the shadowed past.

But Eoin MacKay remembers.

He will never forget how he was treated by Bhaltair MacNicol—the acting head of Clan MacNicol. He was lucky to escape alive, and vows to have revenge.

Years later, as laird of Clan MacKay, he gets his chance when he captures Lady Fiona MacNicol. His desire for revenge is strong but he is beguiled by his captive.

Can he forget his stubborn hatred long enough to listen to the secret she has kept for so long? And once he knows the truth, can he show her she is not alone and forsaken? In the end, is he strong enough to fight the combined hostilities and age-old grudges that demand he give her up?

Highland Revenge is a romance. It contains a mildly explicit description of a wedding night and the next morning. If you prefer either more or less steam you might be disappointed.

Highland Revenge Details

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From Reader Review Highland Revenge for online ebook

Ellie Dynek says

I found this book in the "Highland Winds" collection, and I was immediately intrigued by the characters from both sides. When you've been the victim of such violence and prejudice, it's hard to come out in a positive light on the other side. Eoin Mackay definitely struggles with this, and it comes to the forefront when Fiona McNicol wanders into his lands, and he takes advantage of this opportunity to finally exact his revenge. However, when he's confronted by Fiona's strength and kindness, Eoin is forced to confront his own prejudices and comes to the realization of how hatred and anger can lead to a man's destruction, but love and kindness can lead him straight to redemption and eternal happiness.

Jennifer says

Ceci Giltenan does a wonderful job of creating a complete work in the space of a novella with Highland Revenge, Fated Hearts Book 1. A lovely story of chivalry and making the right choices instead of the easy ones, first published in The Scrolls of Cridhe: Volume 1 Highland Winds, this story is a quality effort. If you are in the mood for a quick and engaging escape filled with genuine characters grab this book.

April says

"Originally published in the collection, Highland Winds, The Scrolls of Cridhe Volume 1."

I read this in "The Scrolls of Cridhe, Volume 1". This is a Novella. I thoroughly enjoyed this story of romance, passion, Clan rivalry, and finding love amidst turmoil and the desire for revenge. The characters were well developed, engaging and interesting. The storyline was intriguing.

A quick read! Fans of Scottish Highlanders, Warriors, and Historical Romance should enjoy this faced paced Medieval Scottish Romance. Another satisfying and enjoyable Scottish Romance. I look forward to reading more of Ms. Giltenan's stories!

*Personal buy *

Rating : 4.5

Heat rating : Mild

Reviewed by : AprilR

Chandra says

OVERALL RATING: (3) stars because transitions between events was not smooth as they lacked both dialogue and emotion.

GENRE: Scottish Historical Romance

SETTING: Castle Naomh-dun; MacKay stronghold, The Highlands, 1311

CENTRAL FEMALE CHARACTER: FIONA MacNicol - Caring, Compassionate, Somewhat a survivor even when faced with imprisonment; Niece of Bhaltair MacNicol, .

CENTRAL MALE CHARACTER: EION MacKay – Laird; Stubborn but has a conscience.

SYNOPSIS: She rescues a prisoner only later to become a prisoner. The ransom would not be paid for her release. Eion sees Fiona's beauty but does not recognize her for who she really is and makes her his prisoner.

WHAT I LIKED: Food, drink, rescue and freedom.

WHAT I DID NOT LIKE: The use of the word "ye" was overused that it became a distraction.

S.R. Roddy says

Short, but sweet.

Loved every minute of this short story. Read it in a few hours while a summer storm raged. An engaging, sweet tale that stole me away to another time and place. I was so wrapped up in the author's make believe world, I barely noticed the flickering lights.

Clarice says

Lady Fiona MacNicol saved the life of Laird to be Eoin MacKay. Never knowing that he would have to return the favor. A story of hate, which would turn into the love of their lives. Bring two clans together.

Jeene Hobbs says

Bhaltair holds a grudge (a long time)

Ceci Giltenan is a writer I really enjoy reading. This just isn't my favorite book. I liked the Duncurra Series better.

That said, this is an interesting story of overcoming preconceived ideas and grudges, all wrapped up in a nice love story.

Wendy says

I gave this a try.

I know I don't usually like short stories/novellas. But I loved Duncurra and thought I'd love this, too. I was wrong :(

I don't honestly feel comfortable giving this a "starred" review because I think it's just my own problem with these types of stories/books and the fact that I just don't like all the principles they stand on and I don't want it to reflect poorly on the rating.

But since I already read it I wanted to put that on here so in a couple of years' time I wouldn't forget and pick it up again.

Leah says

A captive situation turned upside down when a realization of a saved life comes to light. There's laughter and clan rivalries.... treachery and love. There's even a moment when someone I was really disliking opens his heart behind a church in the graveyard that brought tears to my eyes and warmth to my heart. Love will overcome!

Simply.... LOVE!

M. says

(I read this in the collection *Highland Winds, The Scrolls of Cridhe Volume 1.*)

Entertaining. Well thought.

I started the book feeling sorry for one of the characters, only to not care for him in the least all throughout the story, because of his less than honorable ways. He's the villain whose actions allow us to somewhat accept and understand the hero's towards the heroine, at the beginning. He's the one rightfully responsible for all the pain and sorrow the others suffer. And his actions even appear contradictory at one moment. (view spoiler)

I just wished for Eoin to make him pay for everything, the sooner the better.

Except, in the end, the complexity of his character was revealed. He didn't contradict himself, and pity he did deserve.

After an entire book loathing the man, I couldn't help but give up and finally wish he would find some peace, if not happiness.

Besides that, the love story was a nice one, though it might have been a bit better if their feelings had more time to develop. However, given Eoin and Fiona's past history together, it still felt possible despite the present circumstances.

Definitely want to read more about these characters.

Cindy Woods says

Very good book

I truly like a book that gets right to the point.....no going page after page of unresolved drama. The story was so good, too. Characters are strongly defined and described and even secondary characters are well written into the plot. Interesting and romantic. Read in a day. Highly recommended.

Rachel says

This is a wonderful book! The characters are amazing!

Barbee says

This author has blown me away with her debut which didn't feel like a first book at all and she blew me with this beautiful heart wrenching book well to put it bluntly all because second son Bhaltair MacNicol wasn't permitted to marry the woman he wanted and who would marry a MacKay. So it starts another one of those infamous clan wars as he vowed revenge to all who had taken his lady love Morven Ross from him

Twenty- two years later a young Eion MacKay trying to prove his manhood to his Da the Laird and his clansmen goes on raiding on a MacNicol farm which goes very wrong! All eight of them not much older than lads who were ambushed by seasoned MacNicol warriors which they were no match for. Eion was spared being a laird son but was treated horribly by a young MacNicol as he wasn't given any food or water or blanket, his wounds needed to be cleaned and cared for. Yet none was seen to and the big shocker was no ransom was even sent to. Even everything that should have been done according to Clan law was not. When the young lad overheard they were just waiting for the lad to die and that her Uncle Bhaltair planned on murdering him himself she helped him escape to MacKay land. In essence he wouldn't see this lad again until eight years later.

Eight years later....Now Eoin MacKay a grown man handsome healthy, hale and Laird who also wanted revenge after his horrific treatment in the MacNicol's dungeon that would have killed and murdered if not for the lad Finn who saved his life. It also killed all his friends that dreadful night. Of course he didn't realize the lad was actually a lass. The MacNicol's were in route to take Bhaltair's Fiona niece to meet her betrothed a marriage she doesn't want. Yet her brother who is the true laird is missing and Bhaltair is acting laird in his absence as he has been for many years since Alex was so young her father died. Alex always promised she would be able to pick her own husband for love. Plus she has never forgotten that MacKay lad who was treated so horribly all those years ago. Will he remember her? Or will he treat her badly as her Uncle did to Eoin MacKay all those years ago and get his own Highland Revenge?

Readers will have to read this fabulous read and see how these two come together I found this book truly fascinating as Ceci Giltenan is truly a brilliant writer and her books are always so fascinating, unique and fun to read. This author always has me hooked and I can't wait to read her next solo release Highland Intrigue coming later this year!

Dawn says

really good. sweet story with lovable characters.

Samantha says

Captured by Her Uncle's Worst Enemy

As a young, frightened and injured boy, Eoin MacKay is thrown in the MacNicol dungeon in left to die. In a complete violation of the code of honor, Bhaltair MacNicol refuses to ransom him, and even denies him such basic humanitarian rights such as food, water and medical care. In the grip of a fever caused by a wound that was allowed to fester, Eoin is saved from certain death only by the brave actions of a brave young lad named Finn who sneaks him food and water, and then drugs a guard and spirits him away and leads him back to MacKay lands. Years later, Eoin is now Laird MacKay, and one day he and his guard capture a party of riders escorting Bhaltair MacNicol's niece, Fiona, to her bridegroom, Laird Sutherland when they accidentally trespass on MacKay land. Will Eoin exact his vengeance upon Fiona MacNicol? Or does she harbor a secret that will stay his hand and end the cycle of hatred? After all the MacNicol's did to him, what is it about Fiona that draws her to him? This is a wonderful book about the power of forgiveness and its ability to heal wounded souls.
