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Home for the Holidays

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G Van says

A very good book about Christmas happenings. This author uses a lot of words to convey her thoughts and many characters - this is a GOOD thing. I loved to think this was a "Who done it" book. I did not figure it out until later in the book. It was well written romance between Max (he is a military man and that is great) and Tina.

There was a quote on page 141 between the cook and Tina – "Is very good, no?". "Is very good, yes!" says Tina. That sums up this Wonderful Book!

THIS IS A 5 STAR!!!!

Cheryl's says

Heartwarming Christmas romance.

Amanda (LoveofJoe11) says

Very predictable but a fun read to try to get me back into reading

Harlequin Books says

received 4 stars @ RT Book Reviews

Miniseries: Kirkwood Lake

DeAnn says

Cute Christian romance. It made me cry in a few spots. Fun to read.

Leslie M. says

If you're looking for a great read this holiday season, you may want to check out "Her Holiday Family."

Here's the link to my review:

<http://lmckeediting.blogspot.com/>

Jennifer says

I finished a great story in the Kirkwood Lake series. It's the fifth and the best! Tina Martinelli just suffered a devastating loss of her precious cafe business and has to work at the local hardware store. Here she is reintroduced to Max Campbell the son of Charlie the owner of the hardware store. Tina can't believe that after ten years Max has come home and to supposedly to stay! Will Max and Tina find love and forgiveness?

Wilani Wahl says

A Wonderful Christmas love story. A story of love, forgiveness, and family. In addition to a very well written book, I loved the Inspirational thread running through the book.

Bonnie says

Her Holiday Family by Ruth Logan Herne is one of the books in the Kirkwood Lake series. Tina Martinellis cafe burns down. Until police find out what caused it, Tina works at the hardware store helping out while the owner is out with cancer. Max is the owners son. He retired from the military and back home to help his parents run the hardware store. Tina and Max click. Tina ends up working for her aunt who owns Tina's parents ex-restaurant. There were some hard feelings there. A very good story line. A good book.

Cindy says

I absolutely LOVED this story! True to what I have come to expect and love from Ruth Logan Herne, Her Holiday Family entwines sweet romance in with real-life problems including guilt, grudges and loneliness. Despite her belief that she can trust her heart to no one, Tina learns that God can always be trusted and opens her heart to love. Max has carried a burden of guilt for years that has kept him away from his family and friends for far too long. Taking the steps to release that guilt to a loving God and accept full redemption puts his feet on the path to a lifetime of experiencing the freedom to love and be loved. Grab this book and be transported to the romance of Kirkwood Lake, Christmastime and the God-given blessing of love. One of my favorite Ruthy books to date!

Rita says

This is the first book that I have read from Ruth Logan Herne and I will be reading more. A wonderful Christmas love story about Max and Tina.

I received a free copy of this book in exchange for an honest review.

Kav says

Another timeless Christmas story from this talented author. She captures the excitement and anticipation of the season but it's not sugar-coated. Herne adds a liberal dose of reality accompanied by grace and hope. The perfect combination for a story that will wrap itself around your heart.

This author's genius is in her characterization. Even the secondary characters come alive to carry the story forward...and to help reveal the essence of both the hero and heroine. Tina is a fireball of hurt. She decides that leaving town will also mean leaving that hurt behind. But then Max arrives and gives her a reason to stay. Talk about complicated. Easy going Max is impossible to ignore. He's gallant and kind and calls a spade a spade when necessary. I was openly swooning long before Tina was! Admittedly, she has a lot on her plate as she struggles to find her footing in the aftermath of tragedy. I cheered myself hoarse when she finally came to a pivotal decision. The result is a heartwarming, toe-curling conclusion worthy of a classic Christmas tale.

Michelle says

This may be my favorite Kirkwood Lake book yet!

Let me start off by saying if your just looking for a sweet, magical Christmas story, this is not for you. This was heart-wrenching at times. There was a point in this book when a two word declaration just sent me to tears! There is a wonderful sub-plot - sad, but reality of life - that I cannot even discuss because I just don't want to give anything dramatic away. It's a total surprise, especially if you've been reading these in order. I guarantee it's a kleenex book!

In this story, we get to meet another Campbell - Max. He's one of seven children, and he ran away from Kirkwood after a terrible tragedy - feeling that he's guilty for not preventing the deaths from happening. But Tina loved him, and her heart was broken when he left. Max is back ready to take on his role in the hardware store.

For the first forty percent of this book, I wasn't too interested in it and actually walked away from the book. But things really got good - really fast and I just wanted to read it in one sitting - and did!

ABSOLUTELY LOVING this series!

Harlequin Books says

"Herne's characters are endearing and remind the reader of the irony in believing that our plans are better than God's, as His timing is perfect. New beginnings and moving forward are fundamental" (RT Book Reviews, 4 1/2 stars).

Miniseries: Texas Grooms

D.J. says

This story is about Tina and Max...

Many of us identify with Tina. Everything seems to be working out in her life, then she loses her job and has to start over. After working hard to make her dreams come true, tragedy strikes again -- and she back at square one -- again.

I've been back to square one too many times in my life . . . some of the time it was my own fault, for making bad decisions. We've all been there, I suppose.

What else can we do but try again?

Ruth Logan Herne does an amazing job showing how things can go from good to bad. Then she shows how wonderful life can be -- once we put our trust in GOD -- and we begin to trust ourselves again.

DO NOT miss this story. It's such an inspiring message . . . and one that we all need at times.

If you don't have this series, be sure to put it on your Christmas list. Tell your family -- and friends -- which books you'd like for Christmas. Maybe -- just maybe -- the faith, love and hope in these books will lift you up, when you need it most.

Don't miss this exciting series, found in the wonderful (fictional) place of Kirkwood Lake.

Happy Reading!!!
