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Ireland, 1181

To secure peace for her clan and protection for her mother, chieftain's daughter Auder Ó Reilly agrees to marry a powerful Norman baron. Though she desperately hopes the alliance will work, Auder worries she won't be able to please her husband in the marriage bed - *a fear she admits to her friend, handsome Viking Gunnar Dalrata.*

Auder has no difficulty imagining sensual delights with Gunnar, but she doesn't believe he would ever think of her that way. *Until the night of Bealtaine, when Gunnar whisks Auder away to introduce her to the true pleasure of making love....*

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Kathleen says

Love this little gem. All of these little "one shots" by Michelle Willingham are fantastic. They take us just a little deeper into the world of Vikings and their loves. This one is a companion to Surrender to an Irish Warrior. You don't need to read it first. I did and was instantly interested in Gunnar and was so pleased to see this little tidbit about him and his love.

Océano de libros says

Esta es la historia corta que continúa con uno de los personajes que fueron importantes en "Rendida al guerrero". Se trata de Gunnar Dalrata un guerrero vikingo que participa en la reconstrucción de la aldea de los Ó Reilly que se reencuentra con una vieja amistad, con Auder Ó Reilly, una joven que le despierta nuevos sentimientos.

Quizás esperaba más de este relato por el personaje de Gunnar que nos dejó tantas incógnitas pero que aquí no se entiende una relación tan de sopetón y por supuesto de las razones de Auder, que no llegan a aclararse del todo. Pero en definitiva me ha entretenido aunque con esa decepción por no ser tan dada a desvelar bien los secretos sino por centrarse en la relación que a veces es demasiado "tira y afloja". Creo que también es imprescindible leer si lo has hecho con "Rendida al guerrero".

*** Crystal * says**

I found the plot a little silly... virtue was a treasure and everyone new it.... the fact that she would think her new husband would want an experienced wife was just strange...

I did enjoy the characters when I tried to forget the overall plot. 3 stars.

Ambyr says

Well written but very very short.

Rebecca (everyday reader) says

She is set to marry for peace and an alliance for her clan and finds a new feeling for a friend. He is with someone else when he realizes his friend is now an attractive woman who intrigues him. An alliance is made another way and love and marriage comes for them instead. Good read!!

Maria says

Auder and Gunnar's story was great. I truly recommend this short story. It is a hot and sexy short book.

Auder O'Reilly is a young Irish, beautiful woman who knows that she needs to do her duty for her kinsmen by marrying a Norman Baron, but she is also doing it for a more deeper personal reason. She had always had a crush on Gunnar Dalrata, but in her eyes, he never truly saw her as more than a kinswoman. She thought they were friends, but that in her mind, was no longer the case. She could not understand it.

Gunnar Dalrata, a very handsome gray-eyed warrior. He is betrothed to the widow Clar who has a small son who Gunnar loves. He has no time for Auder and he cannot comprehend why she would sacrifice herself for their clan. Something draws him to her and he fights this.

This is truly a very good short story. If you enjoy a short and explicit Viking story, then please pick this up. I truly like my stories, not bland, and this is not. It is on the spicy side.

UniquelyMoi ~ BlithelyBookish says

I needed this story!

We met Gunnar Dalrata in the final book of the *MacEgan Brothers* series, *Surrender to an Irish Warrior*, and for awhile, we really weren't sure if this Viking was a hero or a villain. To tell you the truth - it wouldn't have mattered to me one way or the other because it didn't take long for me to know I had to have his story, too. There was something about him, good or bad, that had me wanting to make sure that this incredible man got his own *happily ever after*, and I was not disappointed.

The Chieftan's daughter, Auder Ó Reilly was a self-sacrificing woman who, for the good of her clan, agrees to marry a powerful Norman baron, but Gunnar would have none of that!

My thanks to Michelle Willingham for recognizing Gunnar's loneliness and giving him a story worthy of the man he is.

3.5/5 stars

Kristy Mills says

I thought this story flowed really well. It didn't feel rushed at all. Rather than rushing the story to fit a whole lot into a few chapters to make it a short story, this was just a really good couple of chapters out of a book.

Maura says

Auder is betrothed to a Baron for an alliance, but finds herself attracted to Gunnar, who was her friend 4 years ago, before she went traveling. He's stayed away recently, fighting his attraction to her. But when she asks about how to please her husband, he's tempted to show her. This one was just sort of average for me. I don't feel like we get to know the characters, they supposedly have a history, but they feel a bit like strangers. Also, the problem seemed resolved rather too easily as well. And the ending was a bit rushed and anti-climactic...well, figuratively it was anyway.
