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**Merrick Drake.**

Bartender, dirt bike racer, and far from settling down...until that one race, and that one girl that changed everything.

**Amelia Driscoll.**

Amelia took Merrick by surprise, bringing out emotions that he never knew existed. Amelia stole his heart...

Only to break it.

When fate puts Merrick and Amelia back together, it doesn't come without a price- it comes with vengeance, determination, and putting his life on the line for the one he loves.

But, how much is Merrick willing to put on the line to have a future with no reason to hide? In the end, fate will decide...

Who's permanent.

Some words, a disclaimer, from Merrick Drake, himself:

I'm just going to put it out there...I'm sorry I'm a f\*cking pussy at the beginning of this book. It isn't any secret, Amelia burned me bad—like motherf\*cking, stab me in the heart, leave me lying there by myself bad, but dammit, I wouldn't change anything if I was ever given the chance. You'll see that Amelia is damn near perfect and worth every second of misery she put me through. If you find yourself saying, "Jesus Christ, this guy needs to grow a set!" I don't blame you, but just keep reading. I redeem myself pretty damn well, if I do say so myself, but beware, because holy \$hit do things get intense! Enjoy reading, my friends—my life is a whole clusterf\*ck of crazy, but somehow it all comes full circle by the end.

Merrick Drake

\*New Adult, Suspense, Contemporary novel\*

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# From Reader Review Permanent Lines for online ebook

## Colleen Oppenheim says

\*This book was given to me for a fair and honest review\*

Merrick Drake lives hard and loves hard. When he falls for fellow racer Amelia he does not realize how much his life is going to change. Disappearing from his life after an incredible weekend together, Merrick can not get her out of his head. Doing everything he can to find her and make her his may cost him not only her love but his life, as well.

Merrick is a sexy man. Granted, I did think he was an idiot the first several chapters of the book. Who in the hell would pine over a woman that he only spent one sexy weekend with? I am glad I persevered to see the real man that Merrick is – loyal, tender, protective and fierce. Definitely a man I did not mind spending the day with while I read Permanent Lines ;-)

The one small part of Permanent Lines that I found myself truly disliking UNTIL I finished (after that my opinion changed for the positive) was Merrick's quick, unquestioning love for Amelia without even knowing her. I felt like he fell for the outside and the not inside – what really made Amelia the person she was – did not matter to him as much as how sexy she was in his bed.

I liked Amelia surprisingly. She is not my typical female character that I tend towards but her brave attitude and love for Merrick won me over.

The suspense of the storyline is what really kept me reading. I found myself flipping page after page, reading as fast as I could to discover the conclusion. It was a hell of a ride!

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## Claire Robinson says

3.5 Stars.

Permanent Lines for me is, definitely a book of two halves.

I really struggled with the first 45% or so of the book. Don't get me wrong it isn't badly written, but it is written from Merrick's point of view, and quite a few times I actually forgot that it was a guys voice and POV, as it all felt very effeminate even with the f-bomb thrown in regularly.

Although you do get a disclaimer at the beginning sort of warning you of it, so I was kind of prepared!

Merrick - "I'm just going to put it out there...I'm sorry I'm a f\*cking pussy at the beginning of this book. It isn't any secret, Amelia burned me bad—like motherf\*cking, stab me in the heart, leave me lying there by myself bad, but dammit, I wouldn't change anything if I was ever given the chance. You'll see that Amelia is damn near perfect and worth every second of misery she put me through. If you find yourself saying, "Jesus Christ, this guy needs to grow a set!" I don't blame you, but just keep reading. I redeem myself pretty damn well, if I do say so myself, but beware, because holy \$hit do things get intense! Enjoy reading, my friends—my life is a whole clusterf\*ck of crazy, but somehow it all comes full circle by the end."

It was also difficult to believe that a guy who has never had a relationship before, then thinks he has fallen in love with a woman that he has spent less than 48 hours with. Then end up pining for her for two months, although that doesn't stop him nearly taking another woman to bed, and then dating another after that!

Merrick - "She was an accident I couldn't look away from."

I honestly think the first half of the story would have benefited from Amelia's POV, I think it could have added to the intrigue, and maybe balance out and give the reader some more insight into the "connection" that Merrick kept going on about.

The second half more than made up for the first though, it was pretty full throttle from then on, what with Amelia's reason for leaving, and the fall-out from her return to Merrick, I was pulled right in and ended up staying up past my bedtime just to finish it.

This is an entertaining, solid read. I wasn't blown away, but the originality of the story and likeability of the characters kept me interested enough to finish it. I would happily read another book by Ashley Wilcox and would like to thank her for providing me with a copy of Permanent Lines for review.

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## **Zandalee says**

I had the pleasure of beta reading this book last month. I was surprised to see how suspenseful the story was. It had me on the edge of my seat the entire time. I had read Running From Forever which introduced Merrick Drake for the first time. He stole the spotlight in that book and I fell in love.

Despite this having a suspenseful edge to it, the story does revolve around Merrick and Amelia. I loved seeing how they connected so deeply. There wasn't that annoying and unrealistic insta-love that we see a lot of in Romance novels.

The book has gone through major changes since I first read it, but I have no doubt it just got better. I'll be reading it again this weekend, and I'll update if I love it any less... But don't count on that! :)

This is a must-add to your TBR!

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UPDATED REVIEW:

(Official review posted during blog tour)

Be aware that Merrick does act like a "pussy-whipped" guy at the beginning of this novel. He explains it before the novel starts. Some may say he acts like a girl, I say he acts like a man in love. A man who has met his soulmate and then had her leave him high and dry without any explanation. A man who yearns for his love to return to him, but is left to mope around all alone.

I had the pleasure of beta reading this book, as I am part of Ashley's "A-Team". Having read Ashley's previous works, I was surprised to see how suspenseful this story was. It was different from anything she's done before.

I had read *Running From Forever* which introduced Merrick Drake for the first time. He stole the spotlight in that book and I fell in love. While *Permanent Lines* is a stand alone, I would actually recommend reading *Running From Forever* prior to *P.L.* There are references to certain past events that only make sense if you've read *R.F.F.* It allows the reader to have a deeper connection to the characters as well.

*Permanent Lines* had me on the edge of my seat waiting for things to be revealed and taken care of. Despite having a suspenseful edge to it, the story does revolve around Merrick and Amelia. I loved seeing how they connected so deeply. They do have somewhat of an insta-love, but the flashbacks from their time together shows how connected they became to one another. They both made quite an impression on each other which lessens that annoying insta-love that is so popular among romance novels.

Instead of getting nothing but sex scenes we usually do from the romance genre, the focal point in *Permanent Lines*, was that love and bond between Amelia and Merrick. Yes, there are a few sexy love scenes but each was unique and provided proof of that tie these two characters had.

Even though this is a romance, it felt more suspenseful to me. The main focus of this novel was also the mission to get their happily ever after. Merrick needs to find a way to get Amelia out of her current world and safely into his. Talking about it even just a smidgen more would be a spoiler. Let me just say, the mission is that of life and death.

The book went through major changes since I first read it, but it only improved greatly. I have to give a round of applause to Ashley for her first attempt at this genre. I know how stressful and demanding it was for her, but it all paid off in the end.

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## Nic \*The Wandering Bookaholic\* Spears says

\*\* review for BareNakedWords \*\*

This is a story of how one man will go to any lengths to be with the woman he loves no matter what the cost. Through determination, love and a small group of family/friends Merrick Drake will prove that he is the right man for Amelia Driscoll and no-one can stand in the way of that.

“No matter the storm that surrounded us, we would survive. We would still stand, untouched and perfectly fine.

We were permanent”

Merrick Drake is a gorgeous, tattooed bar owner who has a passion for dirt bikes. He owns the race track and loves the thrill that racing and winning gives him. It's during a race where he meets Amelia Driscoll. The aqua-eyed beauty who nearly stole the win from Merrick. He is completely blown away by her skills on a bike and finds himself wanting to spend more time with her.

Spending a weekend with Amelia was all it took for Merrick to fall hard for Amelia. The connection he felt was nothing he had ever experienced before and wants to explore them further. However, she slips out without so much of a word. Changed her phone number, and completely disappeared.

Merrick is left devastated. Trying to move on proves to be difficult for him when she consumes most of his

thoughts.

“I couldn’t believe I was letting her get to me, allowing her to consume my brain again when I had a hot, willing and ready female spread eagle in front of me. But I couldn’t. I couldn’t think about anything but her. It was her...again...”

“I was a fucking tool when it came to Amelia. Seeing her again might kill me. God, when did I turn into such a pussy?”

A couple of months later, Merrick comes face to face with Amelia. What’s the first thing he does? Run...He can’t face her, not after she stole his heart and ripped it out. After a heart to heart, well more of an ultimatum from his best friend Kayla he decides he has to find her and get her back.

“I was going to find her. I was going to find out what the hell happened and I was going to make her mine again. I didn’t care what it fucking took, Amelia Driscoll was mine and I would damn make sure that nothing ever changed that or stood in my way.”

Amelia has a lot of questions to answer and when she does reveal those answers...by god, it is so much more than Merrick could imagine.

They’re world and relationship is about to be turned upside down. But Merrick is determined to fight for his love, for Amelia.

“You do realize how stupid you are for loving me, right?” she asked, a smirk appearing on her face. “Baby, I would never argue the fact. I’ve been a stupid fuck my whole life; no need to change that now. Her smirk changed to a smile. “Well, good, because you’re the stupidest asshole I’ve ever met.”

But that love has to come at a price. And just how far of a price is Merrick willing to pay to be with Amelia?

“No matter what I had to do, I was doing it, even if I was over my head...there wasn’t another option.”

I really enjoyed reading Merrick and Amelia’s story. It’s told completely from Merrick’s POV which is a new thing for me. Yes I’ve read male POV’S before but normally as a 2nd book in a series, never as a standalone. It was a good change.

He is a bit of a pansy in the beginning but don’t let that stop you from reading on. The second half of the book is full of suspense and angst to fill a whole book. It will keep you at the edge of your seat and turning the pages until you get to the end. Even then I wanted to read on.

It’s definitely I book that I would recommend and would read more books by Ashley.

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**Sandie Book Boyfriend Reviews says**

3.5 hearts

Have you ever wondered what guys think about a girl they like a lot? Yeah me too. I was pleasantly

surprised that this book is all in a male perspective. While I liked that, I just sort of felt that Merrick was lacking. Lacking what? I couldn't put my finger on it. Kind of like tasting sweet frosting but something is off and leaves a bitter taste in your mouth.

Merrick is a motocross star who gears up for a race only to find a rich girl named Amelia is also racing, he quickly finds that this girl can most certainly hold her own. I enjoyed that! So I was like oooh yeah this is gonna be good. They have a week-end tryst and then boom she's gone.

Okay, well that is interesting, I mean its usually the dude that just up and leaves. I think well maybe she just felt things she hadn't before and got scared. Um... no and yes. I can't give away the story but it did have me wanting to find out why she left? what was going to happen next and oh my gawd did she just say what I think she did?

While I did like that it was told in Merrick's POV the entire time, I just couldn't get over what a pussy he was. Like he kept whining over this chick. I mean you do get a disclaimer in the beginning but I still wasn't expecting that. I think I am used to Alpha males who won't take any shit from anyone. I get he fell for her but geez dude.

In the end the book was enjoyable and a bit far fetched but that is the great thing about reading they are fantasy, an escape. Far fetched or not his love for this girl shows in all his actions and reactions.

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## **Melissa says**

\*\*I received an ARC of this in exchange for an honest review\*\*

Let me just start off by saying - Ashley Wilcox is an amazing writer!!!

We first met Merrick Drake in *Running from Forever*. It isn't really necessary for you to read the previous *Forever* series books in order to read this one but I would definitely recommend you doing so. Ashley's *Forever* series is one not to be missed. Also in doing so you will have a lot better of an understanding of Kayla and Merrick's friendship. If you have read her previous books you'll know she writes some pretty happy romances with a little angst. Well, this is a complete opposite of those. This book has lots of angst... Murder, Mob Bosses, Underground Illegal activity, steamy sex & lots of love. I was very pleased with the outcome because it wasn't too over the top or too much angst. I've read the book twice because I always seem to pick up more the second time. And I wanted to feel that I did justice to this book on a review.

Now as for the Characters.

Oh, Merrick how I love thee. This book starts off from Merrick's POV and at times you feel he's a little feminine - which he has an apology letter at the beginning explaining this. For myself personally until I found out why Amelia ripped his heart out - I very much disliked her. But, she thankfully redeemed herself. You also get a bit of Miles (swoon) and Kayla - her and Merrick are very close and there is some major tension yet understanding between Miles and Merrick which if you read *Running From Forever* you will have a full understanding.



I can't say enough positive things about this book. Ashley did not disappoint with this one. The character development was awesome, story flowed smoothly, plot was executed perfectly and just enough angst to keep you on the edge of your seat. I devoured this book in one sitting because I had to know what happened. This book left me wanting more - I'd love to get a novella of the previous characters or a glimpse into Merrick and Amelias future.

I have read everything from this author and I will continue to do so in the future.

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### **Christine says**

This was received as an ARC so no spoilers! Sorry y'all!

I gave this four stars only because I really didn't like how annoying Merrick was in the beginning... So Goodluck getting through the first half of the book!

Then finally, something happens, or rather you reach the climax of the book and it's just like falling off a cliff, you can't stop reading!

I loved it! After the climax; it seemed WAY to easy to bring down a certain bad guy, but it completely made sense on how it was so easy so it didn't deter my happy, kickass, "loving this story" feelings! I've read a lot of books where that would have never happened, so yeah. It's good, and not at all anywhere near dark and gritty, and I think anyone could really enjoy this book, thus, the four stars!

This book also had some pretty steam worthy moments too! Great and fast read! I read it in less than four hours!

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### **Jo - \*\*\*.★Reading Is My Bliss★.\*\*\* says**

We first met Merrick Drake in Running from Forever, he is best friends with Kayla and now we get to read about him :)

Merrick loves his dirt bike riding, he owns his own bar & lives in the apartment above it. He is pretty damn sexy to look at too.

Merrick is down at the track getting ready for his race and jumps out in front as soon as the race begins. After the fourth lap it is between him and one other rider, he thrives on this sort of competition and it makes getting first place more rewarding. The winner is too close to call and while he waits for the result his competitor pulls up and takes their helmet off - Amelia Driscoll.

Merrick is blown away by her riding skill but is completely taken in by how beautiful she is. He invites her back to the bar for drinks, desperate to spend more time with her. What follows is a weekend of sexy bliss. Merrick completely falls for her. Then she simply disappears.

Merrick is left broken hearted and determined to find her. He eventually does and Amelia reveals to him the reason why she left and why she can't be with him. Merrick wants to help her but her life and the people in it

are very dangerous people and he is putting everything at risk if he chooses to go with his heart. Is it really worth it though?

This is a story about how far someone will go to protect the person that they love.

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## **Lori says**

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*Permanent Lines* by Ashley Wilcox is a page-turning novel of romantic suspense, featuring Merrick Drake from *Running from Forever*. I couldn't wait to read this story because I really liked Merrick's character, and I was eager to see what kind of girl would capture his heart.

Merrick has finally met the girl of his dreams, Amelia Driscoll. She is everything he's has been looking for: beautiful, funny, and just downright pleasant to be with. Of course, it doesn't hurt that Amelia races dirt bikes too. Following a race when Merrick and Amelia finish first and second respectively, they spend the weekend with each other, getting to know each other, and of course, the sex is hot and steamy. Believing he's found the one, Merrick is devastated when Amelia does not return his calls or texts, and then her phone is disconnected. Brokenhearted, Merrick tries to go on with his life and even tries seeing other women, but he is unable to get Amelia out of his mind, which just made my heart hurt. Months later, Merrick and Amelia's paths finally cross, and Merrick quickly notices that something is seriously wrong. Amelia fell hard for Merrick during their super hot weekend. But, she has been unable to get out of an abusive relationship with a mob boss who she hasn't had feelings for in a long time. In order to protect Merrick, she disappeared. Amelia is a compassionate person and would rather put herself in danger than risk others getting hurt, which endeared her character to me. I couldn't help but feel sympathy for her in her current predicament. Needing to protect Amelia, Merrick does the one thing he never thought he'd have to do—turn to Miles Blackwell for help. Wilcox does a consummate job of blending Miles and Kayla, the couple from *Running from Forever*, into Merrick and Amelia's story. I really enjoyed seeing Merrick and Miles working together even if they don't completely like each other. Through these various relationships and Amelia's escape from her mobster boyfriend, Wilcox completely pulls the reader in while driving the story to the heart-pounding climax.

At the end, I just loved the way the title of the book made its way into the story, leaving me with a huge smile. With enticing characters and breathtaking suspense, *Permanent Lines* is a hard story to put down.

I received an eBook copy of the book for the purpose of an honest review. I was not compensated for this review, and all conclusions are my own responsibility.

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## **Ashley Wilcox says**

Well, this book was something else to write. It had elements in it that I never intended to write, but happened anyway. Both Merrick and Amelia are challenging characters. They both are edgy with unique personalities. I couldn't just write a happy, go lucky romance novel about them, and I didn't- not even close. For the first time in Merrick's life he is questioned, feeling a tornado of emotions that he can't control. As much as he

tries to get Amelia out of his head, it's impossible. And then there's Amelia... she's very sweet, but...well, I can't really tell you the "but" because what fun would that be?!? But she does come with a whole slew of baggage, which is going to have Merrick thinking and figuring out, are the feelings he holds for Amelia worth it- is fighting for a second go at their relationship one that he can handle?? I will be completely honest with you guys... there's no crazy twist, nothing that you will say to yourself, "I totally didn't see that coming," BUT there is a WHOLE LOT that happens. Angst, suspense, heartwarming, steamy love...yup!! There's a whole lot of that! Actually, I may want to put a little warning out there... Merrick's mouth is intense, and there's some graphic scenes, so I would probably recommend a mature audience for this one ;)

-Update-

Well...I said there was no really BIG twist, but after having my husband and others read it, apparently there are, and is. So yes, Permanent Lines has a twist ;)

Oh, and did I mention Merrick is HOT?!?! { {Fanning myself} } I just may have a crush on him...still!

Happy reading!

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## **Jaime Fiction Fangirls Book Review says**

3.5 Stars

We've all heard the phrase "2nd half team" when talking about pretty much any sport. You know the team that comes out in the first 1/2 of the game and plays ok but not really hard enough to win. Then they come back in the second 1/2 and own the other team. Well, this book is a lot like that.

The first half is a lot of Merrick just describing how depressed he is since Amelia just up and left him, after a whole weekend of apparent perfection. I just wasn't feeling Merrick as much here as I did in Running From Forever.

It wasn't until about 45% in that things picked up. I think it was important to have all the secondary characters come into play to really bring the story alive. The reasoning for Amelia just walking away from Merrick were explained clearly and that pretty much dominated the second 1/2 of the book. Lots of drama, suspense and action.

This wasn't really the type of book I usually enjoy and it didn't blow me away but it wasn't bad. It was just ok for me because of the plot, it just isn't something I'm into and it seemed a little over the top at times. The writing was good and I think a lot of other readers will really enjoy it.

\*I received an ARC from the author/publisher in exchange for an honest review

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## **Renee says**

Well if you love drama, suspense and steam then grab this book! It is a continuation of Running From

Forever. If you didn't read it, then buy it NOW!

Filled with the characters from Running, starring Merrick Drake. This is a bit of a change for the author, whom I adore, it is loaded with suspense. Normally Amelia Driscoll is quiet, keeps a low profile, and loves to ride a dirt bike. She has been with a loser who controls her, until Merrick. They spend a weekend together and he is done. I have never read a male character so totally taken by a woman. His words are expressive, deep, and female sounding!

Poor Merrick is caught up in Amelia and he literally counts the days without her. His somewhat journal entries are painful. He is losing control so the people around him are concerned with his nonstop depression without his mystery girl. Kayla tries a few times without luck to get him on a date. He himself tries a few unsuccessful hookups.

We get to see Miles and Kayla from the previous book. Finally Kayla is happy and adjusted. Miles was very arrogant through the beginning parts of this book. Then Miles steps up and wow I am in love with him. He has control, attitude and money to back it all up. It was a great book from beginning to end. It is loaded with angst, mafia dealings, suspense, love and friendship.

wow I'm so proud of Ashley and the A team

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## **Chu says**

Review Originally Posted at: Book Freak

Reading the blurb, I was expecting a total alpha male that would bring me to my knees. Merrick Drake is one perfect candidate – he's a dirt bike racer, and a bartender who owns a bar. He wasn't planning to settle anytime soon, and he didn't go to bed with every girl who openly or subtly asks him to. Then one race and one girl changed it all.

She was the one that got away.

Amelia Driscoll was an enigma. After 48 hours of spending amazing time together – her stealing his heart and soul, she was nowhere to be found. It was like she didn't exist at all, and no matter how much he tried to go back to the dating scene – it wasn't as palatable as before. All he wanted was Amelia.

Their paths crossed unexpectedly, but it comes with a price – DANGER. Not only for him, but for the people that surrounds him as well. How much is he willing to risk for love?

It started out with me...

I have been warned but nothing REALLY prepared me for it. How can Merrick Drake possibly redeem

himself after several chapters of being a p\*ssy? Good thing I kept on reading, with my curiosity getting piqued along the way. How can they possibly meet again? Why did she disappear? What was her deal? Will Merrick find the love of his life? So many questions...

When he finally found her – I can't believe what he had gotten himself into... It was one heck of a surprise that was totally worth waiting for. I didn't see it coming and I was wondering how would he extract himself from it WITH the girl and still ALIVE. Good thing he has friends in the right places who is willing to help him...

Then the suspense and thrill of the chase begun as he fights not just for the girl but for his life and the life of the people that matters to him... A deadly poker game, one chance, ultimate risk all for LOVE. You have totally redeemed yourself, Merrick Drake.

You need to be patient because you will be rewarded greatly. Ashley Wilcox had given me the surprise of my life. Thank goodness I stick long enough to wait for it. This book had taken me off the edge with the suspense, the intensity of emotion, and a good dash of adrenaline to spice up my afternoon.

★ARC Copy was given in exchange for an honest review.★

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†† ?aisy ♥ †† says

When I read the blurb for this book, I was so bloody excited -- my kind of book when you have hot biker in it.

Sadly, this book really didn't work for me. This book was filled with drama and I didn't like those drama. In a way, it didn't attract me to read much. I started skimming by the mid of the book.

The writing was easy to read but the plot was simply confusing.

Drake is the man, a bad ass biker and he meets Amelia who is another racer too. He immediately falls in love with her. He pursued her and then next day she goes missing. He keeps pinning her until one day she re-appears again.

Well, why was she hiding and will he be able to win her heart?

Hope this books works better for you. \*fingers crossed\*

I just wish Drake was a bad-ass biker until the end.... The author kinda turned into the love-sick one, and he lost his mojo!

Happy reading. Off to grab my tea.

\*\*ARC provided for tour\*\*

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## **Kimerin's Confessions of a Bibliophile says**

I received an ARC of *Permanent Lies* as a part of the release day blog tour.

This story reminds me of how far a person will go to be with the one that they love. Merrick Drake is a bartender at the very bar that he owns. His other passion is dirt bike racing. Merrick Drake lives in the apartment above his bar. Merrick was never interested in settling down, he was absolutely content with having a good night with a girl and moving on. No strings attached. He was not what one would call a womanizer...he treats the girls with respect, of course. Merrick felt that he had everything that he wanted out of life until the day he competed in a dark bike race. It was the day that changed his priorities and perceptions on life...it was the day that he met Amelia Driscoll.

At first Amelia was more of an annoyance. Merrick viewed Amelia as a spoiled rich girl with a new hobby. I mean come on...a girl racing dirt bikes? Her voice was nails on a chalk board to Merrick. Then, Merrick got the opportunity to really look at Amelia and that was all it took. At first it was her eyes...is aqua really an eye color?

Shaken by his instant attraction towards this mysterious girl, he had to clear his thoughts for the race that was about to begin. As always, Merrick was in the lead, but there was a component on his tail. The race was too close to call..The racer pulled up along side him and removed their helmet. What happened next completely surprised Merrick. It was Amelia that almost claimed his title. This alone sent Merrick need and want for Amelia into overdrive. Not only was Amelia beautiful, but she was a bad ass dirt bike racer. Merrick was determined to get to know her so he invited Amelia to his bar for the celebratory party in honor of his win.

After Merrick introduced Amelia to his friends he felt possessive, he felt that he needed to claim her. His friends comments about Amelia's appearance actually bothered him. After spending the night hanging out at the bar Merrick invited Amelia up to his place. They spent an amazing weekend together. Then Amelia was gone. Merrick tried relentlessly to contact Amelia after she departed to no avail and nothing...it was almost like that week they shared together never existed. Merrick was not accustomed to these new feelings and didn't know how to handle it especially since Amelia was not contacting him. Merrick felt that Amelia was avoiding him. How could he have such strong feelings for her, but the feeling wasn't mutual. Merrick couldn't cope with the idea of these feelings being one sided. However as the days, weeks, and months passed he knew that he needed to move on. Merrick tried to move on, but he couldn't bring himself to follow through, Amelia was not only haunting his dreams, but also interfering with pursuing a relationship with other women. Merrick was at a loss. He needed answers that he thought he would never receive.

Merrick's best friend persuaded him to meet a girl. She ended up being great. She was everything that he could hope for, but she was not Amelia. Then, as fate would have it their world collided once again, but what happened next was a chain reaction that would soon turn his life upside-down. How far one one go to be with the person they love? In this story you will find out just how much Merrick will sacrifice in order to be with the girl that stole his heart. Amelia has a complicated life that makes her unattainable, but Merrick will stop at nothing to make Amelia his once and for all.

You must read *Permanent Lies* to find out Merrick and Amelia's journey and what fate has in store for them. You don't want to miss this thrill ride!

