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For Love...or Money?

Miss Ada Westlake doesn't consider herself a fool...but everyone else seems to. Though her family is nearly destitute, she has just turned down another proposal from the best catch in the county. Chas--otherwise known as Viscount Ashmead--has asked many times before and Ada, fearful of ruining their friendship with a marriage of convenience, has made him swear never to ask again. Ada also refuses to hang on to a bag of coins she found in the family orchard, convinced the money is ill-gotten. She appears determined to defeat the possibility of financial salvation at every turn. But Ada doesn't mean to be foolish--only to uphold her principles...

Now, Chas must convince "Addled Ada" to see reason--about the money, and most importantly, about him. Because the greatest treasure of all is true love...

Miss Westlake's Windfall Details

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Mary23nm says

I've been reading too much Metzger lately, so it is hard for me to give this a higher rating. The stories are starting to become too similar. I'd rate this between it was okay and I liked it. 2.5/3

Frances says

Miss.....

Not one of her best. Stupid from beginning to end. Glad I have a library card instead of Kindle unlimited.

Kitcatscratch says

Lovely and sweet story but kindle version has A LOT of typos...

If you liked Heyer's Cotillion, then you would like this one. Characters are likable and Metzger makes some pertinent observations about how many women (and society) under value their worth. I find that the author often throws in some really astute observations in her works for those who are careful readers. For instance, rakes may be dashing but for every mistress is a woman underneath with few options if any. In this story, it is the observation that women are seen and treated more as a commodity than something of value in its own right. It's subtle and doesn't overtake the story which was filled with likable characters.

Morina Lanser says

hilarious ! funny witty romance novel, made me laugh out loud :D
barbara metzger's books always entertain me .

Carrie says

Another fun Regency romance! The complete overuse of a few middle-English (is it middle-English? or later?) words was VERY distracting (such as "chit", especially. On one page, she used "chit" more than 5 times. We get it. You are trying to sound like you are in merry old England. Enough.) Despite the vocabulary annoyances, I rather enjoyed this book. It is a fun story, with (of course) the tall, dark hottie trying to woo the local take-care-of-it-all-herself plain-jane. And if you ask me, that is a good enough plot when you are looking for something mindlessly entertaining to read!!! I will look for more of these Regency romances at the library.

Susannah Carleton says

Delightful!

Elen says

3.5 One of Metzger's crazy works, but not a very compelling read. Absence of over the top villains was nice. Also enjoyed the presence of artful Lady Esther.

Penny Black says

Laugh out loud funny. One of the best of Metzger's farcical romantic comedies.

Cruth says

"It is an unfortunate reality that one cannot live without one's heart. As you possess mine, I have no choice but to remain in your life. I love you, Claire; I will not give up on you, on us." loc.1896

Author: Barbara Metzger

First published: 2001

Length: 2270 locations

Setting: Rural England, Regency-ish

Sex: clean

Heroine: "medium height and medium build, and her hair was of medium light brown" loc.82

For what it is, it's a lot of fun. Silly, sweet, and with characters with spine and plenty of HEA.

Memorable, thoughtful, light, fun.

A good read.

References:

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Emiko Salim says

Cute, clean, and a fun read. I chuckled quite a few times here and there.

Glad to have an immensely likable hero with his addled but charming lady rather than some tortured souls hellbent on revenge :p

Nancy says

LOL joy to read!

QNPoohBear says

This story is Barbara Metzger at her best. If you love her other novels, you will love this one. If you enjoy screwball comedies, you'll like this novel. It requires some suspension of disbelief because the action is so zany, but I laughed and laughed through the whole thing. My favorite character is Tess. She is a hopeless romantic living in a dream world but she proves to be shrewd and awake on all suits. I liked Chas a lot for his devotion to Ada and Tally and his kindness towards his brother. I didn't really like Ada that much. I thought she was a bit crazy not to marry Chas since they were so close, but the real reason I didn't like her so much is that she didn't like dogs. I understand her reason why but it's not a good reason not to like dogs. Hate the hunt and the human who hunt but don't blame the dogs! I loved this story so much, I plan to keep it and read it again when I'm feeling down.

Darla Stokes says

Nice Barbara Metzger classic with a quirky family, a strong, independent heroine, and more than one romance.

SM says

Wonderful hero, didn't like the heroine much.

Ririn says

My kind of hero.

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Enough said haha
