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A fun, flirty crossover novel from bestselling authors Jennifer Bernard (the Love Between the Bases series) and Erin Nicholas (the Sapphire Falls series)

Caitlyn Murray has never let on that she's had fantasies about her brother's friend Eli Anderson for years. She'd do anything for the sexy, baseball star who's given it all up to stay in Sapphire Falls and take care of his family, but she and Eli are friends. Just friends.

So when her brother hatches a plan to get Eli to the pro baseball try-out for the Kilby Catfish that he has dreamed of and deserves, Caitlyn is all in. After all, what's a little kidnapping among friends?

A spot on the pitcher's mound for the Catfish isn't the only tempting thing about the spontaneous road trip. Eli already knows that Caitlyn is as sweet as the candies she makes for the Sapphire Falls bakery, but alone with her overnight in the tiny motel room in Kansas, it's impossible to resist the urge to take a little taste.

But when that taste leads to falling for the girl next door just as his front door is moving hundreds of miles away, can Eli really have it all? Or do they have too many strikes against them?

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Isha Coleman says

"Never give up on your dreams." It's an easy mantra to recite, a hard phrase to forget-but not as easy to live up to. Life throws us all curve balls that sets us on a different course and pretty soon we miss out on our plans. In Getting Wound Up that's what happened to Eli. He'd given up and forged a new path filled with adult responsibilities but persuasive friends gave him the courage to take a second look and make his dream a reality. I am not a sports fan. I am a romance fan. Getting Wound Up mixes both to create a story that has more heart, charm and fun then one story should. This story takes the best of both authors Erin Nicholas and Jennifer Bernard and creates a story about the bonds of friendship, determination and love with a central theme that hits home. Seductive, entertaining and enjoyable. Was hard not to fall in love.

Michele says

Erin Nicholas and Jennifer Bernard have collaborated together to bring you a crossover series between Sapphire Falls and Love Between the Bases in Getting Wound Up. This is a delightful story about Caitlyn and Eli who have been friends forever. Eli had a promising future as a professional baseball player until his father got sick and Eli quit school to come home and run the family hardware store. Caitlyn is his best friend's little sister that works at a bakery showing off her culinary skills with delicious treats to tempt a saint. Caitlyn takes Eli on a road trip under the pretense of her purchasing a car, when in actuality she is taking him to tryout for a professional baseball team and forcing him to take a chance and try to realize his own dream. This forces Eli to see Caitlyn in a different light in many ways. Does Eli make the team? Does he find out that his decision to leave school and take care of the family business was the right choice? Do Caitlyn and Eli have a future together or are there too many obstacles getting in their way of true happiness? You will have to read the third and final book to find out how it ends.

I am really enjoying this story and cannot wait for the last book in this series. I highly recommend this book.

Kristy says

You didn't think that Jennifer Bernard and Erin Nicholas could improve after Part One got 5 stars, right? But day-um, they just did. Sweet, sassy, happy, and then - WHAM! I need Part Three NOW!

Maria Rose says

I really enjoyed this second part of the Getting Wound Up Trilogy! Chances are you'll have read part 1 already (because this one starts right where that one left off, so really, you're missing out if you start now). This review of part 2 contains spoilers for part 1 so stop reading now if you don't want to know them, and go start at the beginning of the series!

Okay, if you're still here, I assume you're ready to hear about part 2!

Thus you'll know that Eli's risk of trying out for the Kilby Catfish paid off and he's gone off to chase his dream of being a professional baseball player. But this doesn't mean that Caitlyn hasn't been in his thoughts. In this instalment they've been keeping in touch a little long distance but Eli is realizing that he wants more with Caitlyn than just the odd visit home to Sapphire Falls. When Eli's birthday comes up, and it's the same day that he's slated to have his first professional start, he gets a lovely surprise from Ty, Brian and Caitlyn.

What I enjoyed about this part was two things - first of all, I really loved the baseball scenes! I feel a little bit invested now in Eli's teammates, and I have to say that I'm definitely going to have to investigate Erin's co-author Jennifer further, because I want to know more about these guys and this town too! And secondly, I thought the relationship with Eli and Caitlyn was very realistic - they both have feelings for each other that they are willing to share and while they share some steamy scenes together, I was just as interested in their emotional relationship too. But because this is the middle of the story, we naturally get to the meat of the conflict - what kind of future can they have together if they aren't living in the same town? And this is exacerbated by some things that befall Caitlyn's brother Bryan, making her question what will be best for her family and for Eli. So we get an ending that leaves the reader wanting to dive in to book 3 to get to the happy ending but we are definitely not there yet!

Note: a copy of this story was provided by the author for review.

IzzyISH says

Getting Wound Up Part II is the continuation of Eli Anderson's and Caitlyn Murray's story. In this part, the reader finds out how Eli is fairing in Kilby, TX as part of the Kilby Catfish baseball team, and Caitlyn is back in Sapphire Falls working at the bakery.

I think my favorite scene in part II is when Caitlyn, Bryan and Ty surprised Eli by showing up at his big game in Kilby, TX. It showed the true bonds of friendship as they took a roadtrip to show support for their friend, and boy do they get into the spirit of it. I love stories that have best friends that appear throughout the story line because it gives the reader a little more information on the main character. I love the camaraderie and the unbreakable bond they have.

Once again, I cannot tell which part the authors penned. I am looking forward to part III to find out what happens to Eli and Caitlyn. Will Eli walk away from realizing his biggest dream of making it in the major leagues? Will Caitlyn let go of the feeling that she needs to be her brother's caregiver so she can pursue her own happiness? I hope that will be soon answered. I will read on to find out.

*** I received an advanced copy in exchange for an honest review that is my own. ***

Kristina Birch says

Getting Wound UP is a crossover book between the Erin Nicholas's Sapphire Falls series and Jennifer Bernard's Love Between the Bases series, but you don't have to have read any books in either series to fall in love with Caitlyn and Eli! He is the hometown boy who could've made it to Major League Baseball but for a family health crisis. She's the girl who grew-up and moved away but upon returning home to Sapphire Falls, due to her own family health crisis, finds herself falling for her older brother's best friend. Caitlyn as always liked and admired Eli but now it's so much more, which she can handle as long as he doesn't find out...too bad she's tasked with kidnapping Eli and delivering him to an open try out for a MLB team. Will his big league dreams finally come true and if they do what does that mean for her dreams of happily ever after with Eli in their home town?

Bernard and Nicholas team up to deliver an amazingly fun and romantic story that is serialized over three parts. In Part Two Eli has gotten the call, he is a member of the Kilby Catfish a Triple AAA team, but he's quickly realizing how much he misses Caitlyn. At home, Caitlyn can't stop thinking about Eli and their one night, so when Bryan and Ty decided they must be in Kilby for Eli's first start, on his birthday no less, Caitlyn gets a second shot at that one night! As Eli and Caitlyn admit their feelings for one another the dark specter of hometown responsibilities once again clashes with their big league dreams. Each author brings her unique talents to the story but they are such a great match that it is impossible to tell who wrote what scene. Expect to laugh, fan yourself from the heat and sexiness, and ultimately fall in love right along with Eli and Caitlyn...and then expect to purchase all the books in both series in rapid fashion, if you haven't done so already!

Orla says

Enjoying the trilogy

Bette Hansen says

This book picks up right where the first one ended. Eli got the call from the Catfish and is now playing with them. His days are filled with learning all he can about playing the game at this level but his nights are spent missing Caitlyn and what they just started. When Caitlyn, Bryan, and Ty make a surprise visit for his first game as starting picture he is over the moon. He knows he needs her in his life and wants her to stay but will she? Can she? More to come in the final installment!

Krista says

And the book just gets better and better. If you haven't read my review of Part 1 make sure to go and check it out. In Part 2 of Getting Wound Up the story continues. I honestly did not want to put this book down. Normally I cannot wait to get off the train in the morning in what can sometimes be a tedious daily Chicago commute. Not the case when reading this book! I have instantly fallen in the love with Eli and Caitlyn and couldn't wait to hear more about their story. Will they live happily ever after or will life interfere and come between them? Just like real life there are always curve balls that are thrown your way that seem to mess things up. Will Eli be able to anticipate the curve and hit one right back or will he strike out? Of course I will not give out any spoilers but I can say that Part 2 definitely was not disappointing. I simply cannot wait to see what Part 3 has in store for readers. Stay tuned. At this rate I will probably have Part 3 finished on my

train ride home tonight.

Pam says

I love this book! The combo of Erin Nicholas & Jennifer Bernard is brilliant. You can't tell who is writing which part. Part 2 takes up immediately after Part 1. Eli received the call up to the Catfish & is learning his way. Caitlyn, Bryan & Ty make the trip up to see him for his birthday & it ends up also being the first time Eli is the starting pitcher. The chemistry between Caitlyn & Eli is still the same and they begin to make plans to be together more when tragedy strikes (and not I'm not going to post a spoiler).

I was pulled back into the story immediately! My only complaint is that it was too short & we have to wait for Part 3! This is a tremendous story of friendship, family & traditional values. I love the way they have all of the characters lives intertwined and how they support each other. Whether you buy these installments or wait for the complete book to be published, you won't regret it

Tiffany Williams says

ARC provided in exchange for honest review

"He loved it all. Every grass-scented, sweaty, muscle-straining moment. Only one thing was missing. If only Caitlyn could be here...He wanted to see her in the stands, go home to her at night."

This part picks up right where the last left off. You're immediately pulled back into the story.

Eli and Caitlyn are learning how to deal with their new found relationship and long distance. All the while, keeping it a secret from their friends and family. Because would they ever accept/believe it?

"A lot of people care about you, Eli. Not just me."

"You care?"

"Yeah, like it's some big secret. I don't send flowers to just any boy."

"You take the cake, Caitlyn. There's no one like you."

I like how this story isn't just a quick, whirlwind romance. There is more depth to it. You do get the lovey dovey, sexy time stuff, but you also get the emotional setbacks that so many experience. The family issues that you have to work around even if your heart wants other things.

I think that comes from combining two series into this one book. It's pretty awesome to see two worlds collide and crossover into each other. I felt like I was getting so much more story than I thought...and that's a beautiful thing!

"This was his new home, his team, his dream. And she was his girl. His...love. Another dream. Did he want to combine the two? Yeah, kind of. But not yet."

I'm loving this story more and more as I read it! I want them to find a balance between dreams and family. To get all they've ever wanted without any doubts!

I also have questions that I need answered!!

I guess it's onto Part 3 I go:)

"With Caitlyn, he could have it all--baseball and romance."

Abby says

Received an ARC in exchange for an honest review.

"Getting Wound Up" is written by Erin Nicholas and Jennifer Bernard. It is a crossover novel between Erin's *Sapphire Falls* series and Jennifer's *Love Between the Bases* series. This is the 2nd part in a 3-part novel and ends in a cliffhanger. It features Eli Anderson and Caitlyn Murray.

Eli made the team! He's getting to live out his dream of playing professional baseball. The downside... he misses his home, and he misses Caitlyn.

His birthday is coming up, so what better surprise than Caitlyn, Bryan, and Ty visiting him when he's the starting pitcher for the Kilby Catfish? Nothing could be better! Caitlyn wants to do special for him, so she surprises him. In the process, she wins over his teammates, and they want her to stay in town.

There were so many great scenes in part of "Getting Wound Up"! I loved when Eli was showing Caitlyn around town and making comparisons to what the equivalent would be in Sapphire Falls. I also enjoyed when Eli's new friends and teammates welcomed Caitlyn with open arms. But will she stay in town to be with him, or will she go back to Sapphire Falls?

Erin and Jennifer outdid themselves with part 2! I absolutely enjoyed it, and it had me smiling and laughing the whole time! Looking forward to what they have in store for part 3!

Jenna says

Hold on to your Cracker Jacks...

This brilliant crossover series has hit one out of the park! Kidnapping and family matchmaking make this delightful story of family values, friendship, love, and never giving up on your dreams a must read. This is one to talk about and share with all of your friends. Who doesn't love a dirty happily ever after?

Eileen says

Getting Wound Up is collaboration by Jennifer Bernard and Erin Nicholas. It is also a crossover book between their two series, Jennifer's *Love Between the Bases* and Erin's *Sapphire Falls*.

Part 2 begins where Part 1 ends. We learn that Eli Anderson made the team and will be traveling to Kilby, TX to play for the Catfish. Eli spends his days learning the game again and hanging with his teammates. It's his nights that are difficult as he misses Caitlyn and seeing where this relationship can go.

Eli is surprised by Ty, Bryan, and Caitlyn on his birthday, which is also his first game as starting pitcher. He is over the moon happy and spends his free time with her. In the meantime, Caitlyn makes a connection to sell her sweets at the local ice cream shop, owned by the daughter of the Catfish's manager. Eli is trying to figure out how to keep Caitlyn in Kilby instead of returning to Sapphire Falls. Then the unexpected happens. Bryan injures his hip and needs to return to Sapphire Falls for surgery. Will Caitlyn stay or will she go?

Kelli Jo says

So, Eli gets to go Pro, with the Kilby Catfish, and Caitlyn went home to get on with her life, having had her one special night with Eli and helping him get to the pros. They both got what they wanted, right?! Eli realized he really wants Caitlyn, but she's convinced him she wants to get on with her life back home. Caitlyn realizes she really wants Eli, but is convinced she has to stay in Sapphire Falls and help her brother - she can't be where Eli is. Eli is on the verge on being called up to the Bigs - the San Diego Friars, but his heart is in Sapphire Falls, as the guys on the team decide he has the "married look". He has his first start - on his birthday. And is surprised when his two best friends, and his girl, show up as a surprise. His buddies go out with the team after the game, but he wants time alone with Caitlyn. He has her convinced that she can split her time between Kilby and Sapphire Falls - even has someone interested in selling her sweets! But then Caitlyn gets the call - the one where they tell her her almost paraplegic brother has fallen - off of a mechanical bull. At the hospital, she knows that she has to get him home - and that she cannot stay - or commute to Kilby. So she goes home, leaving Eli and her dreams in Texas.
