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Just before college graduation, Ina--star of her senior class--made a mistake that went viral. Then, when life seemed like it couldn't get any worse, she walked in on her boyfriend cheating with her roommate. To get away, Ina ventures to a cabin on a remote mountain, intent on some solitary time.

She doesn't count on Adam -- the man who watches over the cabins -- being so distractingly sexy. Adam came to the mountain to get distance from anything that could cause him pain, and Ina stirs feelings in him he thought he'd left behind.

As Adam and Ina open up about their pasts, the mountain seems like the perfect setting for a second chance at love.

Until they realize they're not alone.

## **Gone Wild Details**

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## From Reader Review Gone Wild for online ebook

### Holly says

This was actually a really good quick read! There could be so much more story here but I am happy with what we had!!

Ina heads off to a secluded mountain retreat after catching her boyfriend in bed with her roommate. She is devastated and betrayed and needs time alone to sort herself out. Pretty sure she didn't count on sexy mountain man landlord Adam!! Yum... can you picture him??? Oh, I can!!

Anyway, sorry I digress :) What I loved most about this book is that you have this guy and girl up on the mountain who could just have a steamy affair and that be it, no this book was about so much more. It was about learning who you really are and what you are capable of. Adam taught Ina about herself and she did the same for him. Of course, while they fell in love along the way.

This book had a little of everything - love, loss, betrayal, courage, suspense and a bit of sex thrown in there of course. This was a great way to spend an evening!

\*\*\*This book was provided to me by Netgalley

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### Jonetta says

To get away from a life that seems to be falling apart, Ina travels to a remote mountain cabin to get away. While there she meets a supposedly sexy mountain man, ponders her next step in life, tries to get over her cheating boyfriend, and faces a little danger. The Goodreads description of this book promises big things, and I really looked forward to the story. Romance, mystery, suspense, and self-discovery. However, the characters and plot fall flat.

I was never able to really connect with Ina. She's a 23-year old college grad with a bright future ahead of her. And yet, because of the "mistake" she made her senior year (not sure how it was a mistake by any definition of the word), she lacks any motivation and direction. Also, she's kind of rude. When she isn't following the rules or getting called out on not-entirely-appropriate behavior, her response is to fling insults. The recipient of these spurts of misplaced anger is Adam, the owner of the cabins on this remote mountain. Now, Adam is super sexy, or so we're told. But I honestly had a hard time picturing that. Sure, he has muscles that would make any girl swoon, but a messy beard that is so unkempt that you can't even tell if he's smiling or not? Does he wash it? Is there food stuck in this beard of his? Don't get me wrong, I think guys with beards can be sexy. But when they're described as being messy, wild, and unkempt, my brain just can't reconcile the two. And Adam rants and whines and cries a little too much for my liking, especially when it comes to big, sexy mountain men. And yet these two seem to develop an instant attraction. I was never able to feel the chemistry, the whole relationship felt contrived. I just couldn't get behind it.

The story moves slowly, even though the book itself is a quick read. The reasons for both Ina and Adam fleeing to the mountain and/or their general distrust of people left much to be desired. Ina more so than Adam; he has suffered real heartache in his past. Even then, I feel as though his actions in the present are an overreaction. And all the while, there's a man lurking in the shadows, watching from afar, and somebody

(perhaps the same man?) is stealing things. Call the police? Nope. Just ignore it and it will go away. Ina and Adam ignore it so well, that I even forgot about the aforementioned mystery. And then finally at 88% in (88%!), we get some excitement. Unfortunately, this also feels a bit forced and as if it was added as an afterthought. Overall, the plot drags, the characters are dull, and I just couldn't get lost in the story.

However, I think the idea behind the story was good, even if the execution wasn't. And for that reason I will check out another book by Ever McCormick.

(I received an ARC from NetGalley)

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### **Karen says**

Reading it again because Ever made some changes. AND cuz I can't get enough of Adam.

I was lucky enough to beta read story this and WOW. I love, love, love me some Adam. I might trade in my current life to move to a remote mountain cabin too. But only if Adam is the landlord. ;)  
Ever McCormick is an author to watch out for. I have a feeling I'd love anything she writes. And I'm so honored to have read her debut novel early. Now, where's the next one???? I want more Adam!

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### **Shirley Frances says**

Ina decides to escape to the mountains after finding her long-time boyfriend had cheated on her. She wants to get her life on track and must decide between what's known and expected of her or take steps towards the unknown. To her surprise, she finds herself sharing the woods with Adam, the handsome owner and manager of the place.

Adam has been living his life in the mountains for some time after some events in his past left him wanting something more out of life than the day-to-day routine and pursuit of materialistic things. Closed off to the world and people, Adam is intrigued and drawn to Ina. Now the question remains: Is it worth opening themselves to new experiences?

I liked the concept behind this story very much. I found the characters were well-written, especially Adam. He was sweet and caring, but strong-willed and sure of what he wanted. At first, it took me a while to warm up to Ina. Her musings reminded me of a hamster wheel - spinning around and around. Thank goodness she snapped out of her funk, if not this would have been a whole different review. But having said that, she did get on my nerves when her ex showed up. I thought she had finally made up her mind and then she starts again with the wavering. Yes, I did understand where she was coming from but hell, her actions were just too much. Especially since she hurt Adam.

Ever McCormick did a great job in taking me to the mountains. I could picture the setting - every branch, every rock. That element of the story was interesting to read. Although I'm not an outdoor person, I could see how it would appeal to a woman who needed to find some direction. I just wished that Ina would have gotten there sooner. She wavered, questioned and doubted her thoughts every step of the way. Only when she spent time with Adam did her mind clear and her thought process improved.

The mystery part of the story wasn't really surprising, but the author did make its execution different. The events that took place after the arrival of the "villain" kept me interested in the outcome and worked for the story.

All in all, Ever McCormick delivered an interesting and enjoyable debut novel in *Gone Wild*.

I received this title from the author in exchange of my honest opinion.

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### **Miranda Lynn says**

Ina has just graduated college and badly needs to get away for a little while. Two months ago, she caught her boyfriend cheating on her and, due to a mistake she made that went viral, she hasn't had any luck getting a job. Understandably, Ina needs to clear her head. And where is the perfect place to do this? On a deserted mountain where there's only you and a sexy, sexy man...and possibly a killer on the loose?!

This book was short and sweet. I wouldn't call it anything too special, but it was well-written, I liked the characters, and I've never read a book where the characters were out in the "wild" like that, so I did enjoy it.

But there were a few things that I didn't like. First of all...it's called "skinny dipping," not "**naked** dipping." C'mon, I mean, seriously? There is also a part later in the book when Ina gets a surprise visitor, and I really didn't like the way she handled the situation. The way she acted just didn't make sense at all.

I also wish that there had been more sex in this book. I thought that the author did a really good job making the sex in this book super hot, but I'm almost hesitant to label *Gone Wild* as New Adult, because there is only *one* sex scene.

Lastly, I thought that the ending to the book was a little bit cheesy. But it was cute! I'd definitely consider reading more from this author in the future.

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### **Jennifer Madero (Boricuan Bookworms) says**

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There's a reason why thoughts are private, and why we're often told to not always say what we think. Ina should have followed that the moment she did her thesis in college. In truth, the thesis wasn't the problem, the problem was that it went viral and lots of people were making fun of her marketing ideas, making it harder to find a proper job. No one wanted her. And because life couldn't get worse, she finds a nice surprise when she caught her boyfriend cheat with her roommate. All Ina needs in that moment is a space of her own to think and find herself among all the chaos. No other place seems perfect like a cabin in the mountains away from the city, her protective mother, and the thought of her thesis being insulted by others. It was a

heaven on Earth away from any human interactions, until she's met by the hunky surprise by the name of Adam. Both conflicted by their past and seeking refuge in the mountains, they start to venture into something that might be more than just friends. All seems perfect, except, they're not alone. They are being watched. And their lives might be in danger.

I got this book recommended by an author I simply love (yes you Karen :P) and my curiosity couldn't contain itself, I had to read this. It seemed like an interesting read, full of romance and secrets and maybe some mystery as to who was watching them. After a few weeks of having read this book, I'm still unsure of how to rate it. There were lots of things I loved, and others, not so much. As I always like to mention, this is my opinion, it might differ from yours. The written word is a subjective art that can be interpreted in different ways.

The characters in general, I felt them being well developed. I liked Ina, and also disliked her. At times she felt whinny and at others really reflective and mature, others indecisive, and others sure of her mind. She had a constant battle in her head with how she was and who she wanted to be, since one of the "missions" she had on the cabins was to find herself, to reflect on her life, that kind of stuff. My only problem with her was that one moment she wanted her ex-boyfriend, Michael, as if nothing had happened, and the other there was Adam. Like, girl, get your mind straight! Don't hurt one and go running with the other idiot one! But in the end, it was understandable, because that happens in real life. I always try to be emphatic in these kinds of things and not directly see it as wrong because I don't like it or agree with it.

The other characters I was wary of was Adam. Don't get me wrong, he was so swoony and perfect... But at the beginning something felt off about him. Maybe it was just me or it was intended by the author. Putting that aside, he was a nice character to read, though confusing at times. One moment he'd be a nice and calm kind of guy, and at the other he'd be a wild and dominant beast. I didn't like him at first, yeah, because he was so weird!

But as the story developed, I was starting to accept him and even swoon of him... :3

The plot in general was good. Predictable at times, but mysterious at the same. There were times when I didn't know what to expect and I just had to keep reading until late 'till I found out. The book was really well written in my opinion, easy to understand and grasp in your mind. The descriptions made it so much easier to imagine the setting, but leaving some space for my own things to fit into the picture.

My only problem with this book was the end. I felt it to be rushed. One moment they are okay, Michael invades the picture (ugh) and Ina starts to make her own discoveries as to who she is and what she wants, but still being a little stupid. So far there it was meh, but when the mysterious person appears and does some strongly rated things, I'm like "What? Why? How?" I thought he wasn't even important! Okay, he was one of the main things in the plot, but there came a time when he just wasn't needed any more. And because of that, I felt that all that happened because of him in the end was unnecessary. Maybe it's just me, or maybe a lot of people, but if it wasn't because of that, I would have loved the entire book more.

Other than that, *Gone Wild* is a story full of romance, humor, and finding yourself and that you don't always have to please everyone. I liked the message the author delivered in the story, and for that, thumbs up! A good and entertaining read I'm sure a lot of women--or men too!--will love to read and to escape into the weird and very embarrassing moments of Ina.

**Rating:** 4 stars

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## I ♥ Bookie Nookie ([bookienookiereviews.blogspot.com](http://bookienookiereviews.blogspot.com)) says

Betrayal and lies... Who wouldn't want to escape that reality?

That is exactly what heroine, Ina does when she discovers that her long-time boyfriend has been unfaithful. When she retreats to a secluded mountain cabin to lick her wounds, she doesn't count on falling for the mysterious and sexy grounds keeper, Adam. It wasn't love at first sight; it was more like LUST at first sight laced with a healthy dose of skepticism and animosity. Neither Adam nor Ina have any desire to get tangled up in a romantic fling; Adam is still recovering from a wounded past and Ina is fresh out of a long-term relationship.

Adam and Ina develop a comfortable friendship that ultimately leads to more, but it wouldn't be a satisfying story if they didn't have a few obstacles to overcome along the way.

The story, while predictable, was entertaining. I'll definitely read more by this new author in the future.

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## Azahara Arenas ([Living in Our Own Story Blog](http://livinginourownstory.com)) says

**MI PERSONAJE FAVORITO:** Adam es el personaje masculino principal. Desde que leí cómo se llamaba supe que me gustaría y es que no sé porqué pero asocio el nombre de Adam a hombre sexy, cabe decir que mi propio coche se llama Adam (sí, me encanta poner nombres a los coches xD) Me gustó su personalidad y sus valores.

**Opinión:** Conseguí este libro a través de Netgalley, pero lo que me hizo solicitarlo fue el ver que a Karen Amanda Hooper, una de mis autoras favoritas y amiga en Goodreads estuviera disfrutando tanto al leer el libro. Me entró la curiosidad de saber quién era Adam porque lo ponían como un hombre muy sexy. Y la verdad puedo decir que el libro no me decepcionó en absoluto y que me enamoré de Adam. El libro está narrado desde el punto de vista de Ina. Ella es un personaje con el que me sentí identificada en varios aspectos. Como por ejemplo que el año que viene acabo mi último año de universidad y no sé qué

haré con mi vida tal como están las cosas. Ina me pareció una protagonista bastante creíble y fácil de identificarse con ella desde el principio.

Me gustó como Ina evoluciona a lo largo del libro, lo que no me gustó es que parece que para evolucionar necesita a los hombres. En mi opinión se apoya demasiado en Adam.

Me encantó la forma en la que la autora describe la acción, especialmente los momentos de misterio e intriga. Durante muchas de las escenas de misterio estaba asustadísima (puede que sea porque soy muy miedosa), además de que me lo estaba leyendo por la noche. En este aspecto, la sensación de suspense está muy bien lograda.

También me gustó que creara un personaje masculino en el que los lectores tuvieran que ver más allá de la fachada para conocerle. Normalmente con ver una descripción en la que ponga que el personaje es sexy a las chicas suele gustarnos, sobre todo si es el personaje principal. El usar la barba de Adam como escudo fue muy útil porque a mí los hombres con barba no me van. Pero tras conocer al personaje no me importó cómo era físicamente y me pareció una lección muy importante que debería tener más en cuenta.

Es un libro muy entretenido y perfecto como lectura de verano, 100% recomendable.

**Puntuación:** 4.5/5

**MY FAVOURITE CHARACTER:** Adam is the main male character. Since I read his name I knew I would like him, and I do not know why but I associate the name of Adam with a sexy man. I can even say that my own car is named Adam (yes, I love to put names to cars xD) I liked his personality and his values.

**Opinion:** I got this book through Netgalley, but what made me request it was to see that Karen Amanda Hooper, one of my favorite authors and friends on Goodreads, was enjoying reading the book so much. I was curious to know who was Adam because he was portrayed as a very sexy man. And I can truly say that the book did not disappoint me at all and I fell in love with Adam.

The book is narrated from Ina's point of view. She is a character that I identified with in several respects. Like for example that next year I'll finish my last year of college and I do not know what I'll do with my life as it is. As protagonist Ina seemed like a pretty credible character and easy to identify with her ??from the beginning.

I really like how Ina evolves throughout the book, though I did not like that she seems to need men to evolve. In my opinion, she relies too much on Adam.

I loved the way the author describes the action, especially the moments of mystery and intrigue. During many scenes of mystery I felt really scared (may be because I get afraid really easily), plus I was reading at night. In this aspect, the feeling of suspense is really well made.

I also liked that she created a male character in which readers have to look beyond the facade to know him. Normally with a description in which the character is said to be sexy, girls usually like him, especially if it is the main character. Using Adam's beard as a shield was very useful because I don't really like men with facial hair. But after knowing more about the character I did not care how he looked like and I found in it a very important lesson that I should take more into account.

It is a very entertaining book and is perfect as summer reading, I recommended 100%.

**Punctuation:** 4.5/5

*And at one point, so quietly I could hardly decipher the words, he whispered, "Don't hurt me"*

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### **Purpinkrose says**

The story starts with Ina who is driving to a cabin in the middle of a mountain with nothing around but the view. She's there to discover herself after walking in on her long term boyfriend in the middle of committing the ultimate act of betrayal by sleeping with her room mate. Ina's mum wants her to take him back and is doing her best to state his case. Ina tells her mum she needs time and is booked into the cabin for a month.

We also meet Adam, who at first Ina is a bit afraid of. He's tall, dark, handsome with a beard and a bit of attitude. What's Adam's story? Why is he at a young age hiding away in the mountains. Adam hates car's and noises of any kind preferring the sounds of nature, he's standoff-ish with Ina at first. But after a while takes Ina along the trails of the mountain after she becomes a bit clumsy.

They hear on the local radio about an escaped convict from a prison not so far away. For days Ina thinks she can feel someone watching her and believes it's Adam right?

Ok guys you know I don't do spoilers so that's as much as I can tell you.

What I will say is I read this book in one sitting. I couldn't put it down. Once I started to read this it grabbed my attention and never let go until I had finished. This book need to be on your To Be Read pile.

I loved everything about this book. The characters were believable, as were the relationships and the things they had to overcome. The pace and plot was just right. At times I felt like shaking Ina, I felt like covering my eyes in other places. I loved Ina and Adam relationship.

I would give this book 5/5 and 2/5 for movie moments.

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### **Kelly says**

*\*\*\*ARC received through Netgalley\*\*\**

Ina wants to get away from the civilisation for a while and everyone thinks she's going nuts. She's 22 years old and she's trying to be alone in a mountain for a few weeks while her 'friends' are in Jamaica. She just broke up with Michael who's cheated on her with her roommate Cara. (*I hate when the guy is cheating ..*) She wants to clear her head from all of this and learn who she really is. And what better place for doing so than a nice cabin in a mountain where a sexy landlord is living?

I really liked Adam. He's a great character and a good man. He's simple, kind and gentle under all that beard

and rough exterior he wears. He's 27 years old and has been on his own for a while now. (view spoiler) We learn more about him with time because he's a private person. He doesn't like to tell his story to people, but he let himself open up to love once again with Ina.

They're attracted to each other. Adam is all muscles and haven't been in a relationship for three years. They both have been hurt in the past and they're afraid of being vulnerable again, that's probably why they aren't jumping into a relationship right after seeing each other. By being here, Ina learns to protect herself and how to hike.

This book makes you want to take a deep breath and relax from all the stress you could have accumulated but if you can't do that, then this book could be a perfect getaway. I rated it **4 stars** because I really liked the story but at the 2/3 of it or so, (view spoiler) how she handled it so badly and hurt Adam (view spoiler). It was so frustrating I wanted to scream.

After that, I appreciated less her character because of it but I still loved Adam of course :).

Oh and, did I told you there was a creepy guy around?

But don't worry,

So, I liked the mystery part of the book. It gave me goose bumps a few times when you know someone is lurking around watching them but you don't really know who he is or what he wants. I was sort of freaked out by it and waited for something bad to happen.

For learning more about it, you'll just have to read it :). I liked it and I just hope you'll feel the same.

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**Mare SLiTsReaD Reviews says**

This review was posted on:

<http://slitsread.wordpress.com/2013/0...>

[www.facebook.com/SLiTsReaD](http://www.facebook.com/SLiTsReaD)

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3.5 easy read STARS

First off, I totally loved the cover of this book! COVER LUST was going down!!!!

The story is easy to get into.

Ina is one strong chickie, gone off to the wilderness on her own to mend her broken heart...oops I mean pride. She can totally get down to basics and I truly liked that! She was a fierce heroine, defiantly not flighty or whiny which made me like her. She totally learned how to shoot a gun and let me tell you that came in very **handy**.

Mountain Man ADAM~Whoo he was a hottie, just how I like em... **broken broken broken**

Sexy, strong, vulnerable, sad, scared, hiding.... he overcame kinda in the end of the book but you could tell that having Ina beside him was def going to help.

*“No matter where you run, the real world finds you.”* Adam

*“Everyone has hard times.” she said not comprehending. “ You’ll have them whether you are alone or with someone you love so why chase away people who love you?”* Ina

These 2 quotes stuck with me because honestly that is just **real talk**, not fantasy.

Ever McCormick for a debut novel you did an excellent job and if this was commissioned to be a movie I would totally pay the \$13 + tax to see it!

Mare~BFA Supreme

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### **Krazykiwi says**

Gone Wild by Ever McCormick Not awful little romance book, but it could have been so much better. (I hate to say it, but this is the kind of book that's a perfect example of a self-published novel that might have been spectacular if it'd had some love from a developmental editor.)

Anyway. I really wanted to like this book. The hero is a total doll, and not the typical alpha asshole everyone likes to write about anymore. He tries to boss the heroine around, but she stands up for herself and he backs off, and they (this is really unusual) talk about things. Not all the things, since there's not much romance

novel plot available if the MC's are actually communicating well, but most of the things :)

The problem, specifically, the timeline is entirely out of whack and frankly unbelievable. I'm not only talking about instaluuurve (although there's some of that going on too) but the background and previous events just don't entirely fit together. There are only three possibilities:

After being betrayed by her boyfriend (not a spoiler, it's in the blurb), Ina stayed with him for several weeks before breaking up with him, which is out of character and contrary to the text.

The entire thing took two weeks (this is simply impossible, but seems to be the case), see spoiler below. They were all still living in dorm rooms at college despite having graduated and at least one person has a fancy PR firm job. Yeah, don't think so.

This is where I think a firm editorial hand would have figured out how to either clarify the situation (if I'm misunderstanding it) or fix the inconsistencies, which are so big they totally took me out of the story.

(view spoiler)

There's also a subplot towards the end involving a third party that tries to turn a fairly sweet little "finding yourself" romance into a romantic suspense, and just didn't entirely work (but could have, because it'd been set up very well earlier in the book).

Anyway, I liked this for the most part, and I'd be willing to give the author another shot, for sure. It was just disappointing, so close but not quite there.

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### **Jessica Figueroa says**

"You don't need to know where you're going before you get there. Sometimes, it's best if you keep an open mind and let your direction change as you do."

Ina is a bright young woman fresh out of college, before she graduated she had written a paper that was criticized by many causing her to have doubts. Not only that, she witnessed her boyfriend cheating on her with her roommate. Even after that happened her mother won't stop trying to convince her to go back. This was just too much to handle and so Ina decided it was time to get away, so she rented a cabin in the middle of the woods. With much needed privacy and no distractions she hoped to be able to have everything settled by the time the lease on the cabin was over. But as time goes on she realizes she's not alone, chalking it up to nerves being a city girl she's dismissing this unsettling feeling. Now with less people around she finds herself getting close to the only guy around Adam, the guy who rented out the cabin.

"Stick to the choices that feel right and try not to judge them by their immediate consequences. It might look like the fakes get all the breaks, but in the long run, it's not like that. Even when you lose, in a bigger sense you win."

I enjoyed this quick and easy read. I thought this book was well-written and enjoyed every minute of reading this. Ina went from being someone who was doubting her future to being secure. I loved the connection between Ina and Adam. What I didn't like about Ina is that she almost seemed to take her ex back after

everything. I like Adam she was simple, kind, understanding, protective and caring. On top of that he's he a hott guy who is secure and knows what he wants. I loved how not only wanting to see what happens with their relationship but how the spooky the writing seemed to be sometimes, with the main character getting a sense that something was watching her. I kept waiting for something to happen, I kept guessing what was going to happen with that which kept me interested. I loved how the relationship that formed between Ina and Adam, many books that I've read a lot of times the characters want to jump each others bones within a matter of minutes. In this book you can see the attraction between the two but with sweet little subtle things forming first before going at each other.

"Opening your heart to someone is like living in the wild without a gun."

Overall I enjoyed this book and highly recommend you lovely readers to check it out. I look forward to seeing more from Ever McCormick.

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### **Angela P. says**

Review –GoneWild.Arc.Convert by Author, Ever McCormick

What happens when everything in your world turns around betrays you? Ina finds out. Faced with a crisis of confidence immediately after she attains her business degree, she finds her long-time boyfriend and roommate in each other's arms. This is not a girl who slept around; this is her one and only lover. In addition to finding her love has betrayed her, the business plan that she had planned since childhood touting ethical advertising goes viral. When revealed to her professors, it's staunchly approved, but the business world demonized it. She can't find a job, her life's work shot down. Once viewed as the "golden girl", she is left alone and jobless.

Ina quickly finds out people like a winner. Her friends desert her to go on a trip to Jamaica, telling her she should hookup with other men as revenge. Ina refuses to find solace in empty hookups. And even her mother appears more concerned about her ex rather than her. Our protagonist wishes reflection on what has happened to her life and which road she will take in the future. That decision brings her to Adam, the owner of the mountain retreat she rented for a month. She finds revelation in his company. Adam is a pure man secluded on the mountain for his own painful reasons. It is a remote mountain location which only has a few cabins. In the total isolation she confronts how she lost herself with Adam's help. Gone Wild also has an interesting twist of someone watching Ina during her stay – Someone she mistakes as Adam.

I wholeheartedly recommend Gone Wild. Ms. McCormick takes the time to develop her characters and the romance between them. Her writing is clear and concise and has a proper tension. I wanted to smack Matthew (her cheating boyfriend) in the head for the various suffering he gave Ina. You can't help but to hope for this new relationship's survival and you truly get the sense that they belong together. I really, really liked it. 4.5 stars

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### **Crissy VA says**

"Stick to the choices that feel right and try not to judge them by their immediate consequences. It might look like the fakes get all the breaks, but in the long run, it's not like that. Even when you lose, in a bigger sense you win." My favorite quote from the hot mountain man Adam!

First of all this book was more entertaining than philosophical. Ina is trying to get away from it all. Her mother thinks she is crazy as she ventures to a cabin out in the middle of a mountain with no one around. Until she meets Adam (the hot mountain man) who owns the cabins. She wants nothing to do with him but finds herself drawn to him while learning how to protect herself and how to hike the various trails. It's isn't love at first sight without issues but it does start gradual as a friendship and blooms into something much more.

The book does make you think how nice it would be to unplug, get away from it all and enjoy nature. Definitely has me thinking...

I loved the story, the writing and the characters. My first book by Ever McCormick, I can't wait to read more in the future.

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